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## THE CENTRE REPORTER.

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Pennsylvania is the mum state in the U. S. Senate.

Representative Woodward, of this county, was chairman of the House committee on inauguration. A fitting choice and no doubt well filled too.

In New York 2500 carpet weavers have gone out on a strike. Put these fellows to shaking carpets and they will wish there never had been a carpet to strike about.

Our attention has been called to the fact that during the late campaign in our county a candidate for nomination quietly made use of a letter, which was a fraud and forgery, to injure an honest competitor. We are not at all surprised to learn this, neither are many others, and as the campaign has passed, we will salt down the facts "for a rainy day."

We sympathize with Governor and Mrs. Beaver, in the death of their youngest child, James, a bright and interesting lad, of three years, who was taken away by that dread disease, diphtheria, on Sunday last. This sad, and the Gov. is much broken down by the affliction. The inauguration of the father and the death of the little son occurred the same week.

Dallas Sanders, of Philadelphia, has been elected chairman of the Democratic State Committee. Mr. Sanders is an active young Democrat and possessed of considerable ability. If he steers clear of factions and shows fair play generally, he will get along. Let his aim be the building up of the party and not to help one faction and put down the other. We want a united Democracy for 1888.

In another column we print Chairman McClain's appointments for the various election districts of the county. Mr. McClain shows great care in his selections, and we believe he acted for the good of the Democracy in taking such Democrats as he knew would take an interest in party matters and upon whose co-operation he can rely, in the next campaign. His appointments are good and made after consultation with local Democrats. We predict that Mr. McClain will make an efficient chairman and that he will devote himself to the best interests of the Democracy—having been one of the most active Democrats.

During the inauguration, a reporter of the Wmst. Breakfast Table found Simon Cameron at his home and interviewed him upon Don's late Presidential boom. The venerable old statesman laughed at the idea and remarked, "My son has no idea of the kind, Pennsylvania is for Blaine and we are for him too. The talk in the papers about Donald being opposed to Mr. Blaine and seeking the office, is only newspaper talk." The same day Donald was found and replied to the reporter in the following dubious style: "There is nothing in the recent paper reports concerning the matter. If Pennsylvania is for Mr. Blaine—as it seems to be—I shall not oppose him. But the convention is a long way off yet—and there's plenty of time to talk about candidates." This last expression can undergo different interpretations. Our idea of it is that it means—Blaine is a long ways from the Presidency and Don Cameron has plenty of time to play his "trump" card.

The Republican dead-lock at Albany, for a U. S. Senator, was finally broken by the nomination of Frank Hiseock to succeed Warner Miller. The followers of Morton, seeing that his nomination was hopeless, marched over in a body to the Hiseock camp.

Notwithstanding something very like treason in their ranks, the Democrats of the New Jersey assembly managed to regain control, even with the speaker (a Democrat but elected by Republican votes) against them. His decisions were reversed, and his refusal to recognize parliamentary rules came near precipitating a riot. But the Democrats carried their point, and seated a member who had been kept out on one pretence or another.

The warring factions in Indiana seem to have quieted down, and agreed on a plan of compromise which acknowledges the right of President pro tem Smith to preside over the joint convention. This leaves the Lieutenant Governor out in the cold. But the Labor Reformers in the Legislature, three Republicans and one Democrat, have put up a candidate in Dr. Allen, of Fort Wayne, and the balloting may be protracted, the Democrats supporting Turpie and the Republicans Harrison. Four votes cast for a third candidate will prevent the choice of either one of them.

## BAYARD AND CURTIN.

The report that the people about Secretary Bayard are attempting to kill off Governor Curtin as a candidate for the Austrian Mission, by reviving an old disputed claim in the accounts of the Russian mission, would be a slander upon the Secretary of State, if it were not in unison with other attacks upon Curtin, from the same source. It is said that the Secretary of State nourishes an old grudge against Curtin. What act of the old War Governor brought down upon him the enmity of the Bayards is not settled; but his removal from the chairmanship of foreign affairs committee was so potent a declaration of warfare, that the last reported way of attacking him seems quite credible.

Governor Beaver's inaugural has good points. Let him keep them in sight, and act them out, and he will have a good administration.

We would invite attention to the prospectus of the New York Star, which appears in our advertising columns. The Star is now one of the largest and most ably conducted of the Metropolitan dailies and is soundly Democratic. It is a large 8-page sheet, and contains all the telegraphic news.

## HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION.

Harrisburg, January 19.—A joint resolution, proposing an amendment to the Constitution, was placed on Monday last in the hands of Senator Penrose and Representative Scott, of the Eighth Philadelphia district, which aims to supply the deficiency in the organic law pointed out by Governor Beaver when he spoke of the unequal system of taxation that provides no adequate exemption of the homestead. The joint resolution is as follows:

"Be it resolved, etc., That the following is proposed as an amendment of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof: That section one of article nine of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, which reads as follows: 'All taxes shall be uniform, upon the same class of subjects, within the territorial limits of the authority levying the tax, and shall be levied and collected under general laws; but the General Assembly may by general laws exempt from taxation any farm not exceeding twenty acres in area, on which the owner actually resides and which is not situated in any city or borough; every building lot, not exceeding twenty thousand square feet in area, on which the owner actually resides; public property used for public purposes; actual places of worship, places of burial not used or held for private or corporate profit, and institutions of a purely public character, and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows: 'All taxes shall be uniform, upon the same class of subjects within the territorial limits of the authority levying the tax; but the General Assembly may, by general laws, exempt from taxation any farm not exceeding twenty acres in area, on which the owner actually resides and which is not situated in any city or borough; every building lot, not exceeding twenty thousand square feet in area, on which the owner actually resides; public property used for public purposes; actual places of worship, places of burial not used or held for private or corporate profit, and institutions of a purely public character; provided that all taxes on land shall be specific, the acre being the unit of area in townships and the square foot the unit of area in cities and boroughs incorporated under the laws of this Commonwealth.'"

It is claimed by the friends of the proposed amendment that the ad valorem method of taxing real estate, in addition to being anything but uniform in its operation and liable to great abuse, is any event a direct tax on improvement, and that the substitution of area for value as the basis of taxation would tend to break up large holdings into small ones, and thus to promote the distribution of land, relieve the burdens of taxation on farms of moderate size and put a premium on the improvement of land and the like. The author of this proposition will probably make an argument in its behalf before the committee or committees to which it will be referred.

## RESOLUTIONS OF PROGRESS GRANGE.

The following resolutions were passed at a meeting of Progress Grange, at Centre Hall, Jan. 22:

Whereas, Many newspapers inconsiderately urge and advocate upon Congress the placing of agricultural raw products on the free list for the benefit of the manufacturers of these products, for whom they would retain the highest protection from foreign competition, which policy, if it were adopted, would still further diminish the value of our already depreciated farm products by many millions of dollars without a corresponding reduction in the prices of manufactures, which would be a gross injustice to the farmers of our country, and lead to bankruptcy and ruin. Therefore,

Resolved, That we enter our protest against Congress placing agricultural products on the free list so long as the manufacturers are given the benefit of protection; and that we also protest against any policy by the press that discriminates against agriculture in favor of manufacturers and ask our farmers to withdraw their support and patronage from all periodicals and papers that will thus manifestly injure our industry.

Resolved, That we favor such legislation by the State and National Legislatures that will protect all our industries alike, and develop them to the highest perfection and bring the greatest remuneration and comforts to those engaged in them.

## SEES IT NOW.

A subscriber in Ferguson township, writes that he had just paid a little note in the Bohemian oats scheme. He writes that when he read the warnings in the REPORTER certain parties wanted

him to quit taking it because it was opposing his interests, and was near being talked into it. But now, says he, every farmer must see that the REPORTER was not only giving sound advice, but was acting as the farmer's best friend in giving the warning.

Well, our friend must feel satisfied by this time that the farmer had a good friend in the REPORTER. The head centre of the Bohemian oats swindle was heard to say, last summer, "D—n the REPORTER, I wish it would mind its own business." To expose swindlers is part of an honest newspaper's business.

## THE ACKLEY CASE.

The relatives of John Ackley, whose horrible death has been so much discussed, comprised a wife and five children; a father, Wm. Ackley, of Bellefonte; four sisters—Mrs. Kate McCabe and Mrs. Mina Radcliffe of Philadelphia; Mrs. John Dawson and Miss Etta Ackley, of Mill Hall. Deceased was 37 years of age and a native of Bellefonte. The editor of this paper received a letter from the wife of Ackley last week. She lives in Philadelphia, and she says Ackley deserted her and five children seventeen months ago. She had him arrested for support, and he promised Mayor Smith that he would do better. He then left the city and she never knew of his whereabouts until she heard of his death. She says she always had to take in washing for a living.

The expected trial of the three girls for causing Ackley's death brought a large number of people to town on Tuesday, and the Court house was crowded. Owing to the illness of one of the girls, however, the trial was postponed until April court.—Leads from Democrat and Sentinel.

## LATE NEWS.

Grain has again declined in price. New York has a small-pox scare. The school furniture factory at Bloomburg was destroyed by fire.

The outlook for war in Europe is not quite so red any more.

Near Fort Scott, Kas., 200 cases of giant powder exploded, destroying 15 cars and many people think there was an earthquake.

The next meeting of the state board of agriculture will be held at Bellefonte. There is a little talk of a brush between England and the U. S. on the Canadian fishery policy. A bill passed in the senate looks as if Uncle Sam was making a list at John Bull, anyhow.

Indiana and Texas have not yet elected senators.

CENTENNIAL OF THE CONSTITUTION. The President has sent a message to congress calling attention to the proposed celebration in Philadelphia, on September 17, of the anniversary of the convention that framed the Federal constitution and expressing the hope that fitting measures may be enacted by congress which will give opportunity all over the United States for a proper celebration of the day.

## PROGRESS GRANGE.

MEMORIAL TO THE MEMORY OF JOSEPH CROZIER, DECD.

Worthy Master:—We have assembled to pay our tribute of respect to the memory of our deceased brother, Joseph Crozier, who departed this life Jan. 8, 1887, a member of Progress Grange, beloved and endeared to us all. As a citizen, upright and honest; as a Christian, consistent, patient and enduring; universally beloved and sympathized with in the trials of life. But the silver cord is loosed and the golden thread of life is broken.

God has taken our friend as a hostage of our faith, but if we look forward to a reunion in another world where there will be no separation. The evening of life becomes more delightful than the morning, and the sunset offers brighter and lovelier visions than those which we built up in the morning clouds and which disappear before the strength of day.

That to Sister Crozier the tenderest sympathies of our Grange are conveyed and Heaven's choicest blessings and protection invoked. That to her we will ever be ready to extend a sympathizing word or helping hand, and that our memorial of esteem shall be recorded on a distinct and separate page of the Annals of the Journal of our Grange.

Submitted with loved esteem, LEONARD RHONE, JACOB SHEARER, LEVY STEPM, Com.

Centre Hall, Jan. 22.

## BRACE UP.

You are feeling depressed, your appetite is poor, you are bothered with headache, you are drowsy, nervous, and generally out of sorts, and want to brace up. Brace up, but not with stimulants, spring medicines, or bitters, which have for their basis very cheap, bad whiskey, and which stimulate you for an hour, and then leave you in a worse condition than before. What you want is an alternative that will purify your blood, start healthy action of Liver and Kidneys, restore your vitality, and give renewed strength and health. Such a medicine you will find in Electric Bitters and only 50 cents a bottle at all Drug Stores.

## MOST EXCELLENT.

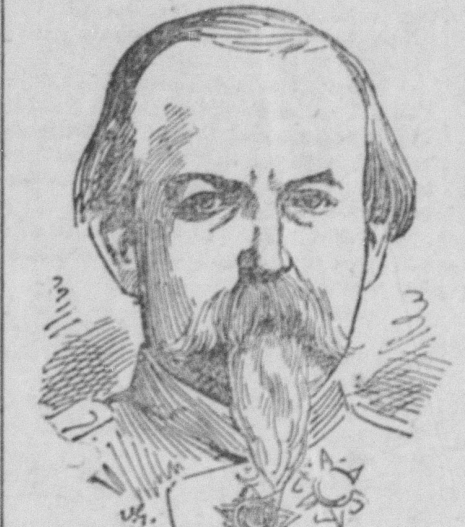
J. J. Atkins, Chief of Police, Knoxville, Tenn., writes, "My family and I are beneficiaries of your most excellent medicine, Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption; having found it to be all that you claim for it, desire to testify to its virtue. My friends to whom I have recommended it, praise it at every opportunity." Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is guaranteed to cure Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma, Croup and every effect of Throat, Chest and Lungs.

Trial Bottles Free at all Drug Stores. Large Size \$1.00.

## DEATH OF GEN. STONE.

A Man With a Varied Experience—A Mystery Unexplained.

New York, Jan. 25.—At the Academy of Music in Brooklyn, during the ceremonies connected with the installation of officers of U. S. Grant Post, No. 327, G. A. A., Gen. W. T. Sherman announced in feeling terms the death of Gen. Charles P. Stone, late of the Federal army, subsequently in the service of the khedive of Egypt, and still later engineer in charge of the erection of the statue of Liberty. Gen. Stone was in excellent health up a few days ago, when he was suddenly taken ill, and rapidly grew worse until his death, which occurred at 1:30 yesterday afternoon at his home. Gen. Sherman said he had known Gen. Stone thirty years. He spoke highly of Gen. Stone's military record, and said he could never find out why he was confined at Fort Lafayette and treated with suspicion.



GEN. CHARLES P. STONE.

Gen. Stone was born at Greenfield, Mass., in 1824. He was graduated from West Point in 1845; captain in the Mexican war; brigadier general in the civil war, and pasha in the service of the khedive of Egypt. In 1893 he was confined six months in Fort Lafayette, and released without any charges ever having been made against him, nor any explanation given. He has of late been in charge of the engineering work in connection with the statue of Liberty.

## JERSEY LAWMAKERS.

The Senate Not Organized—Pinkerton Men Not Wanted.

TRENTON, Jan. 25.—Secretary Reading called the senate to order last night at 8 o'clock. On motion of Senator Griggs the organization was postponed until to-day. A Democrat called for yeas and nays, and the vote resulted in nine Republicans voting for and four Democrats against adjournment.

Three bills were introduced in the house relative to the employment of men as police or patrol men in the city. The wording was about the same in each and the punishments, one, three and five years imprisonment, respectively. The bill introduced by Mr. Feeney read as follows: Be it enacted by the senate and general assembly of the state of New Jersey, that no person belonging to an organization commonly known as Pinkerton men or Pinkerton patrol, shall exercise in this state any power as deputy sheriff, policeman, constable or peace officer; that no person not a bona fide resident or voter in this state for over two years shall exercise any power as deputy sheriff, policeman or peace officer in this state.

"Don't give him anything, Mac, not a d-d thing," was the reply. The foregoing explains the secrecy with which the members of the New Jersey legislature hold the news that they are bursting with reporters. However, the reporters do gather some of it. After the house adjourned last night the Democrats held a caucus. The speaker did not attend, but went to his room at the hotel, about the only place open to him now, as the guests at the other houses have boycotted him. The members remained in caucus for over two hours, and succeeded in appointing a committee, consisting of Messrs. Arwine, Hildreth and Kinney, to wait upon Dr. Baird and invite him to a Democratic conference, to be held this morning. He will very likely join them, and his friend Wolcott says that the speaker will vote for whoever they nominate for United States senator. At the caucus McDermitt, who at the last sitting declared his intention of voting a little ticket all by himself, was accompanied by his "Fidèle Achates," McLaughlin, and the pair, led by Organizer Sim Smith, had returned to the fold. A committee of two, Hudspeth and McDermitt, was also appointed to invite the senators to the meeting to-day. They will hold a conference and caucus on the senate floor.

In the Republican camp Sewell advised the senators to delay the organizing for a week or two, but Griggs and Fish did not agree to this, and it is possible that the senate will organize on Wednesday.

Carpet Weavers Strike. NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—Some 2,500 men and girls employed at E. S. Higgins & Co.'s carpet manufactory have struck work. The strike is the result of the antagonism of Alvin D. Higgins, the new manager, towards the Progressive Carpet Weavers' association. The employees are satisfied with their pay and hours, but a number of prominent members of the order have been recently discharged without apparent cause, and it was decided to quit work unless they were reinstated. Alvin Higgins, who previous to the death of Manager George Higgins was engineer of the works, got himself into dire straits with the employees by the conspicuous part he took in the strike three years ago, when the weavers carried their point.

Telephone Week. WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—This week promises to be a lively one in telephone circles. Arguments will be heard from all the companies claiming to have telephone inventions which are not infringements of the Bell patents. The integrity of the patent issued to the Bell company will also be attacked. A number of distinguished counsel, who will make arguments during the week, are already here, and more are expected.

Two Fatal Accidents. NEWARK, O., Jan. 25.—Two fatal accidents occurred on the railroad here, by which Chris Dennison was caught against a post by a yard engine and squeezed in such a manner that he cannot possibly recover. Samuel Burrell, aged 10, was run over by a Pan-handle engine, receiving injuries from which he will not recover.

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## COAL HANDLERS AND THEIR FRIENDS

Steamships Find It Difficult to Get Fuel for Their Trips.

New York, Jan. 25.—It was reported last night by the men who are in charge of the strike in New Jersey that no coal, either hard or soft, would be handled until the strike is settled. Hitherto the men have been permitted to handle soft coal. The same informant says that there will be two meetings held in Cooper Union this week, one by business men and the other by workmen, on Thursday night, to protest against the action of the coal companies. From the same source it was reported that the coal miners would not suspend operations, for the reason that the more coal there is mined the greater will be the necessity for the companies to end the difficulty. With no coal mined, the companies could put their hands in their pockets and whistle, and let the public dance. The brakemen, he said, had practically decided not to brake coal trains. The cartmen, at a meeting held yesterday, decided not to transfer coal from the boats to the yards, but had not yet decided to discontinue the delivery of coal at dwellings.

Peter Yost, a teamster in the employ of a coal dealer, in Jersey City, was assaulted yesterday by some of the striking coal trimmers. He was driving a load of coal. Michael O'Brien was arrested.

Six of the coal docks of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad company, all of which are in Jersey City, were in operation. Two carloads of non-union men were brought from Pennsylvania. The presence did not become known to the strikers until late in the day. The strikers were surprised, but made no attempt to interfere. The Pennsylvania Coal company in Weehawken started up work yesterday with sixty-five Italians. Forty cars of fifteen or twenty tons each were unloaded, when the supply ran out. The company expects to ship sixty carloads to-day.

Work was resumed in all the departments of Havemeyer & Elder's sugar refinery, Williamsburg. A week ago more than half of the employees were forced to quit work for want of coal. Coal is now received at the refinery from South Amboy.

The strike of 125 train hands and switchmen in the yard of the Lehigh Valley railroad at Perth Amboy because of the discharge of three of their number who refused to move coal handled by new men has somewhat complicated matters there. Only thirteen men, according to the strikers, were working at the docks. All the soft coal handlers, about fifty men, quit work at South Amboy, thus leaving nobody to shovel coal there. They were making the employers say, an average of \$30 a week. They told shippers that they were satisfied, but had been ordered out by the Knights. Mr. Berwind said he should at once put new men to work. His firm supplies all the big European line steamships. The Alaska, which sailed yesterday, was provided for. So has Wednesday's steamship. Later vessels will have to be provided for by new men.

By order of the police board, 300 policemen from the various precincts reported to Capt. Gastin of the steamboat squad yesterday morning. Half of the number were sent to points along the river front where trouble was feared, and about 100 men were held in reserve at Pier 39, North river.

A number of strikers from New Jersey came to the city to induce the men to stop work on the canalboat at Pier 6, North river, but they were driven off by the police. The longshoremen in the employ of the Havana and Mexico Steamship company, at Pier 3, refused to work because they said the company was receiving "scab coal" from Jersey City. An officer of the company said he would tie up their boats if necessary before they would concede the demands of the men. The City of Puebla, which is announced to sail on Thursday, will probably be delayed. The strikers claim that the company receives coal by the boats of the Steam Heating company.

John Williams, a striker, went to the Old Dominion dock yesterday afternoon, where Joseph Gray, a non-union handler, was at work, and struck him with a four pound weight. Williams was arrested and held for trial. Gray was taken to Chambers Street hospital, and the doctors put eight stitches in his scalp.

It was reported that Starin's lighters were carrying Old Dominion freight, and that the longshoremen would order a strike upon Manager W. C. Egerton, for Mr. Starin, said that the lighters had all they could do for Mr. Starin without going to the Old Dominion line.

The French line steamer La Bourgogne came up to her pier, foot of Morton street, yesterday. A number of longshoremen went to help unload the baggage of the passengers. They notified Mr. De Beblan in the afternoon that they had been ordered to suspend work for the day to await the decision of a meeting in the evening as to a future line of action. There was no disturbance at the dock, and Mr. De Beblan said he would hire new men and would try to live up to his agreement with the Old Dominion company.

At the meeting of the executive committee of the Ocean association the question of permitting the longshoremen to go to work again on the wharf of the French line was decided adversely, on the ground that the French line was receiving freight from the Old Dominion line.

A member of the association stated that a general strike of longshoremen in the employ of all lines in Brooklyn, Jersey and this city would occur to-day.

Capt. Nichol, superintendent of the Anchor line docks, said that he had secured all the men he wanted. He had sixty-five men at work on the Alexandria, which was loading at the upper wharf. He sent 200 others to Prentice's stores, Brooklyn, to take the place of the strikers at work on the Richmond Hill, Tower Hill and two other steamers leaving there. Some of the new men were induced by the strikers to quit work.

Yesterday about eighty Italians were going aboard the steamer Kull from Kull at Rector street, to be taken to Hoboken to work at the coal wharves. They were set upon by the striking longshoremen and clubbed. Capt. Berghold's police came to the rescue of the Italians.

## A Hunt for a Fortune.

JERSEY CITY, Jan. 25.—In 1807 the ship Guada Moner went ashore off Tatham's Beach, N. J. The vessel had a cargo of hides and tallow, and in addition the ship's manifest called for \$50,000 in specie. In 1845, 1850, and 1875, efforts were made to recover the treasure, but the quicksands worked such havoc that the search had to be abandoned. Another attempt to get the specie is now being made by the Townsend Wrecking company, which has begun the work of coffer damming the wreck.

## DEMOCRATIC COUNTY COMMITTEE.

1887.  
Belleville ( N.W. ) H. Y. Stitzer,  
Belleville ( S.W. ) Edward Brown, Jr.,  
Howard Boro. James Schofield,  
Milburn Boro. A. C. Wierthe,  
Milburn Boro. A. Frank,  
Centre Hall Boro. D. J. Meyer,  
Philipsburg ( 1st W. ) J. G. Herlingst.,  
Philipsburg ( 2d W. ) Henry Lehman,  
Unionville Boro. A. J. Graham,  
Bender twp. John Eble,  
Bender twp. Thomas Frazier,  
Boggs twp. N. P. Milligan Walker,  
do do H. L. Harvey,  
Burnside twp. Anson Dougherty,  
College twp. John I. Williams,  
Curtin twp. David Brickley,  
Ferguson twp. E. P. Henry Krebs,  
do do Frank Bowesow,  
Gregg twp. S. P. Hiram Grove,  
do do N. P. Josiah Rosman,  
Haines twp. E. P. William Keen,  
do do W. P. George M. Keller,  
Half Moon twp. William Bailey,  
Harris twp. Frank E. Welland,  
Howard twp. John Glenn,  
Huston twp. Wm. Irwin,  
Marion twp. Wm. Gardner,  
Misses twp. A. N. Corman,  
Patton twp. J. C. Eckley,  
Penn twp. Wm. H. Kramer,  
Potter twp. S. P. F. A. Foreman,  
do do S. P. W. W. Royer,  
Rush twp. S. P. John Howe,  
do do N. P. Andrew Lucas,  
Snow Shoe twp. James Bowles,  
Spring twp. Wm. Woods,  
Taylor twp. Wm. Caldwellwood,  
Walker twp. John H. Hall,  
Worth twp. G. J. Woodring,  
Union twp. John G. Hall,  
H. Y. STITZER, JAMES A. MCCLAIN,  
Secretary. Chairman.

## TRIAL LIST FOR JANUARY COURT.

### SECOND WEEK.

Chas. Wilmer vs. Bellefonte & Buffalo Run Railroad Co.  
W. H. Himes vs. Bellefonte & Buffalo Run Railroad Co.  
M. R. Adams vs. Valentine & Co.  
Tyron Mining & Manufacturing Co. vs. S. Cross.  
A. Baum, Jr. vs. Moyer Lyon.  
John T. Fowler vs. H. H. Kline.  
Holt & Parker vs. Himes & Cridder.  
State Bank of Lock Haven vs. Jno. A. Wolf.  
H. D. VanPelt vs. R. L. Pierce.  
M. Fleck et ux vs. H. W. Hoover.  
I. Thomas et al. vs. John Bilger et al.  
Geo. Back & Co. vs. Hoover, Hughes & Co.  
Jonathan Tressler vs. L. & T. R. Co.  
A. Cromien vs. R. Mitchell et al.  
A. E. Garman et al. vs. Centre County Mutual Fire Insurance Co.  
S. Penock vs. Howard township.  
F. N. Lehman vs. W. G. Root.  
S. R. Pringle vs. H. Foust.  
P. S. Dale vs. Peter Breon.  
W. C. McConnell vs. J. H. Reifsnnyder.  
I. Conrow's administrators vs. B. Rich.  
Gephart & Musser vs. S. Greeninger.  
G. R. Boak & Co. vs. Hoover, Hughes & Co.  
Frank Bros. & Co. vs. C. McCafferty.  
Isaac Shaffer vs. John Wolf.  
Joe Beatty vs. W. J. Jackson.  
C. A. Moyer et ux, vs. E. M. Sturdevant.  
P. H. Stoyer et ux, vs. T. J. Dunkel.  
G. M. Fetzer vs. John Fetzer.

## ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE

### FARMERS' MUTUAL FIRE INS. CO.

Office of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Ins. Company of Centre county, Pa.

CENTRE HALL, PA., JANUARY 10, 1887.—In compliance with the provisions of their charter, the Twenty-ninth Annual Statement of the transactions of the Company is hereby presented:

### ASSETS.

Bills receivable, being premium notes due and payable by members \$ 14,612 79  
Cash premiums and tax 200 22  
Borrowed money 1550 00  
Cash in treasury 204 29  
Making the total available assets for the past year 17,274 40

### EXPENSES.

Compensation of directors 100 00  
Salary of Secretary 50 00  
Salary of Treasurer 50 00  
Extra services of Secretary 11 25  
Printing, circulars, postage and stationery 88 24  
Election board 2 10  
State tax on receipts 9 00  
Moses Thompson on house 700 00  
Moses Thompson on interest 4 27  
Note in bank 150 00  
D. S. Erb on implements 130 25  
D. S. Kaufman & Co. on goods 1460 00  
W. S. Musser 28 14  
Total 2,628 28

Witnesses  
Total accruing assets and funds of the Co. the past year less expenses 14,246 02  
To which add notes of 1882, 3, and 4 119,205 56  
\$ 133,451 58

### LIABILITIES.

Minus cancellations and tax on notes 15,819 92  
Making the total available assets of Co. this day 117,631 66  
Face value of premium notes in force this day 125,649 57  
Insurance taken the past year 158,023 34  
Risks and insurances of 1882, 3, and 4 1,264,867 39  
Making risks and insurances this day 1,419,890 72  
Liabilities for losses 1,264,867 39  
S. P. Ryble \$1000 on witness fees 88 10  
Total 1,156 21

At the election held the same day the following named members were elected directors for the ensuing year: Samuel Gramley, Daniel Brum, J. H. Musser, H. E. Duck, J. R. Fisher, S. J. Herling, Fred Kurtz, S. G. Slack, Wm. McFarlane, Jacob Bortoff, J. G. Bailly, H. C. Campbell, and J. H. Musser. Resolved, That the following officers for the ensuing year be elected: President, Fred Kurtz; Vice President, S. J. Herling; Secretary, D. F. Lase; Treasurer, Wm. Wolf.

Agent for Miles township also Walker and Mar. town, Samuel Gramley.

Agent for Harris township, Wm. McFarlane.

Agent for College, Jacob Bortoff, jointly with McFarlane, agents for Bender and Spring.

Agent for Ferguson, J. G. Bailly, and for Patton and Halfmoon, Campbell and Bailly.

D. F. LASE, FRED KURTZ, Secretary. President.

Bill heads \$2.25 per 1000. Letter heads \$2.25 per 1000. Statements \$2.25 per 1000. Sale bills \$1. \$1.25, \$1.50. These are cash prices only. Orders by mail promptly attended to.