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There was a drop of one cent per pound on coffee in New York.

Good for the Centre county boys, they are running things at Johnstown all right.

Thus far it looks as though the Harrison administration was going to be a sort of third rate affair.

The appointment of a postmaster at Centre Hall is likely to split the next Republican National Convention.

The election on the prohibition Amendment, on Tuesday, resulted just as the Reporter predicted. Our county went over 1500 in favor and the state by a large majority against it.

Fire and water have made for themselves a fearful record, in different parts of the world within the last six months. The score of lives and property lost is an awful one.

Lycoming, Tioga, Clinton, Centre, Union and Northumberland Counties have suffered heavily in the loss of bridges, and it is feared that half a million dollars will not restore these structures to the condition they were in on the 1st of June.

Ex-Governor Pattison would have made an excellent Relief Commissioner, and his appointment would have been a very graceful act on the part of Governor Beaver, but Gen. Hastings's recommendation for his selection was quietly ignored.

Gov. Beaver assumes the attitude of three distinct persons--as the chief executive of the commonwealth, as the Republican party leader and as a prohibition leader, the latter not as a Republican lest the whiskey element be offended at his party.

At a meeting at Pittsburg of the executive committee of the Coal Miners Association of Western Pennsylvania it was resolved to order a general strike on Saturday against the company or "plunk me" stores, at all places where operators insist upon the miners buying from these stores. The men will be ordered out.

The strangest of all the strange incidents growing out of the great calamity at Johnstown is the suicide of a soldier of a military company from Pittsburg. Being in bad health, and seeing the frightful scenes around him--more terrible than a field of battle--it is supposed that his mind gave away, and placing the muzzle of his musket to his mouth blew the top of his head off.

We note the point made by Judge Rhone, in the Luzerne Legal Register published by Geo. B. Kulp. In an opinion in McLean's Estate, he says the skill necessarily exercised by an attorney to keep parties out of law is as much a subject for compensation as final success in protracted legal contests. Good, sound sense, Judge.

The honest lawyer will tell his client whether he has a safe case or not. The shyster will tell his client, in order to get him into court, "Yes, go ahead, you are right, we'll show the other fellow something."

The charter of the Louisiana Lottery Company is about expiring, and the question of a new charter is prominent in the politics of the state. The managers of the lottery have offered to pay the entire debt of that State, about \$12,000,000, provided they are allowed in return a 50 years license. The thousands upon thousands of poor dupes who contribute month after month to swell the income of this gambling corporation will be interested in the foregoing announcement. It shows where their money goes. In Louisiana it is said the lottery company owns all the Republican politicians and a good share of the Democrats. It has on its pay rolls most of the members of the legislature, State officials and active politicians.

The Temperance campaign is over, and it must be admitted that the prohibition advocates left no stone unturned to carry the Amendment. They labored most earnestly for the cause of sobriety and were sincere in their motives. The W. C. T. U. deserve credit for the devotion they displayed to further the cause, and the untiring zeal which they displayed for the triumph of the principle upon which they planted their standard and unfurled their flag. If our political party campaigns would be conducted with the purity and sincerity of purpose as the W. C. T. U. conducted their campaign, for prohibition, there would be no blot upon American politics. Surely, the politician can learn something here.

A Hero.

One of the State College students living in Pittsburg, did a heroic act, at the Johnstown flood. Having been ill, he was given leave of absence for a short time, and on his way back from Pittsburg, to the college the train he was on was obliged to lie over at the fatal bridge, on account of the flood, at Johnstown. While viewing the wrecks that were lodged against the bridge, he and some other passengers observed a child in the garret of a house that was among the debris. The young man at once declared his determination to save the child. The persons standing by him told him he would lose his life if he made the attempt. He plunged in and brought the child out of the wrecked house alive, and announced there was a woman in there also and he was determined to save her too. The danger was now more imminent, and finding he was determined, the bystanders cut the bell rope belonging to the train and fastening it around him below the arms he plunged in again and with a herculean effort brought out the woman that had been lying helpless upon the floor; in another moment the wrecked building from which the two lives were thus heroically saved, disappeared under the debris.

This young student's name is C. W. Heppenstall, and his age is about 17 years. Such heroism deserves recognition, and the college can be proud of her pupil.

The collapse of the Panama canal has caused dreary times on the isthmus.

In all upward of 9,000 Jamaicans have been sent back to Jamaica. Matters are, of course, as dull as they can be, and the city of Panama has resumed the quiet appearance it wore over twenty years ago, when only one or two steamers visited the port in a week.

The suppression of trains on the Panama Railroad, and the cutting out of two or three of the intermediate stations, has had no perceptible effect on receipts, and as the line of canal work is now a scene of complete desolation, and few occupants are to be seen, the traffic is considerable. The number of sales by auction of household furniture, even in the city of Panama, is unprecedented, and all merchandise is disposed of for much below its value.

One of the canal dredges which cost 200,000 francs, recently sank in a creek near Tavernilla, on the Chagres River. No attempt will be made to raise it until the next dry season.

There is now a million dollars subject to the draft of Governor Beaver to expend in the Conemaugh Valley for the public safety, to be advanced by Philadelphia capitalists without interest the money to be refunded by an appropriation from the state treasury when the legislature meets. This money goes for putting Johnstown in shape again, and not as relief for the sufferers, for which there are other contributions amounting to over 2 1/2 millions.

With a million to be expended by the State, and from two to three millions of voluntary contributions to supply food, raiment and shelter to the destitute and minister to the sick, it is entirely safe to say that the resources of the General Relief Committee are ample for all necessities. One third, or one half at most, of the funds applicable to charity, will suffice to feed the hungry, clothe the naked and shelter the homeless, and the residue of the fund will doubtless be used discreetly to help the helpless to reestablish themselves in self supporting business.

Affairs at Johnstown are getting into shape. Big dynamite cartridges are booming among the wreckage. Johnstown is slippery and slimy with mud and people are taking quinine like water. Adjutant General Hastings system is right in itself and its effect is visible on all sides. The wreckage of the stone bridge is melting away and along the hillsides bordering on the Conemaugh in Stoney Creek large gangs of men are at work cleaning up the debris. To do this there must be 2,000 men at work in washing Johnstown's face. They are divided into gangs of forty each, and it is jokingly said there are as many foremen as laborers. However that may be, the work is flying. Eight more stationary engines arrived and four of them are already at work on the stone bridge. By means of steam and dynamite the wreckage is fast disappearing.

The sugar trust continues to advance the price of sugar in a way to indicate that it has accepted Mr. Blaine's view--that trusts are private affairs with which the public have no concern. The sugar trust seems to have no concern for the public other, except to make it stand and deliver.

Profanity was one of the prime causes of the flood at Johnstown and in Centre county--the dams did it.

Official Vote of Centre Co. for 1873 and 1889.

BOROUGHIS AND TOWNSHIPS.	Vote of 1873 for Local Option		Vote of 1880 for Prohibition	
	For License	Against License	For Amendment	Against Amendment
Belleville, North ward.....	39	141	102	62
Belleville, South ward.....	66	83	112	143
Centre Hall borough.....	15	75	60	33
Howard borough.....	16	51	35	45
Millheim borough.....	9	95	86	25
Unionville borough.....	1	58	57	57
Phillipsburg borough, Second ward.....	1	1	1	30
Phillipsburg borough, Third ward.....	49	143	94	50
Benner township.....	73	96	23	75
Boggs township, Western precinct.....	22	127	127	28
Burnside township.....	16	23	9	44
College township.....	11	43	33	21
Curtin township.....	92	186	94	55
Ferguson twp., Eastern precinct.....	109	78	30	54
Gregg township, Southern precinct.....	17	85	67	169
Halmoon township.....	91	97	6	101
Haines township, Western precinct.....	68	267	162	102
Harris township.....	37	75	38	43
Hickory township.....	35	80	45	36
Huston township.....	12	119	128	72
Liberty township.....	32	52	25	43
Miles township.....	43	77	102	25
Patton township.....	90	133	43	110
Penn township.....	154	144	10	62
Potter township, Southern precinct.....	65	35	30	54
Rush township, Northern precinct.....	63	74	22	29
Snow Shoe twp., Eastern precinct.....	88	141	53	15
Spring towns twp., Northern precinct.....	29	19	7	36
Taylor township.....	109	109	109	20
Walker township.....	76	103	27	129
Worth township.....	28	64	36	43
Total vote.....	1558	2666	1438	2664
Majorities.....		1108		1226

Wet! Wet!

PROHIBITION DEFEATED IN THE STATE BY 75% MAJORITY.

On Tuesday the state went against prohibition by a big majority. The large cities where fellows take big ones and often, is where the big majorities are. The city of Brothly Love went wet by the astounding majority of 75. This is rough on the pride of the republican, but its there the machine boss gets in his work.

State College.

One of the newspapers published in this county has recently allowed itself to become the vehicle for a wanton and malicious attack on the State College, through a communication from a writer whose hostile animus very plainly reveals itself. Not all readers, however, are likely to know what I am informed to be a fact, that this writer is a young man who was suspended from the college a few years ago for misconduct. The fact, wherever it is known, will enable every reader to judge of the writer's statements for himself. I should not pay the slightest attention to it, but the article contains numerous misstatements of fact, about which the people of Centre county, and of the State at large, have a right to be correctly informed, and, lest anyone should be inadvertently misled, I beg leave to lay before your readers the following statements:

1. It is true that until recent years the Legislature has not made appropriations to place the College upon a footing equal to that occupied by similar institutions in other States. In this respect Pennsylvania has failed to fulfill the obligation to the United States which is assumed in accepting the grant of lands under the Act of Congress of July 21, 1862. The reasons for this neglect it is not now necessary to discuss, but within the last three or four years, steadily and persistently effort has been made to awaken the State to a sense of its duty and its interest in this respect, and that effort has been successful. Intelligent and thoughtful citizens in all parts of the State have come to recognize, not only our duty to fulfill a contract obligation with the United States, but the importance, as a matter of sound public policy, of providing, equipping and maintaining, in this great industrial commonwealth, an institution which shall furnish the amplest opportunity for thorough training in those technical studies which lie at the foundation of our industries, and of bringing these facilities within the easy reach of those who could not otherwise afford to obtain them.

2. The rules of government and discipline now in force are not new. They have been in force ever since April 6, 1883. They are not harsher than those of any other college. They simply require each student to do in his place, or to give a satisfactory account of his failure to do so. They are burdensome to those only to whom restraint is irksome, and they are designed for such.

3. No addition has been made to the college charges since appropriations were received from the Legislature, except a charge for lights, light into the dormitories, were furnished by the students for themselves, and a trifling fee for material actually consumed by the individual students in the laboratories. I undertake to say that there is not an institution in the United States, doing work of equal grade, in which the necessary expenses are so low.

4. Not one dollar of the State appropriation has been used for the payment of salaries, or for additions to the number of professors or instructors. Every cent of the appropriations has been spent in providing increased buildings and equipment for the necessary work of the College.

British Gold and American Beer.

An English syndicate has bought 820,000 acres of yellow pine lands in one tract in Escambia county, Florida, and the adjoining county of Baldwin, in Alabama. The price paid was \$1,500,000, and the purchase includes saw mill equipments and thirty-six mills.

The vast possessions of subjects of Great Britain in the ranch and mining regions of our western states is already well known. But along with the timber purchase in Florida comes the information that a great English syndicate is preparing to buy every American brewery it can lay hands on, for the purpose of manufacturing British ale for Americans. At least we have the word of The New York Sun that it will be a drink half way between the light German beer at present so extensively manufactured in this country and the fiery favorite of England. The same competent authority informs us that the beer at present consumed here contains only 2.3 per cent of alcohol, which is not a heavy enough drink for winter. Genuine old British ale contains 8.3 per cent of alcohol, which is too much for our dry, electric climate. Therefore the new product which foreign subjects will manufacture in the United States will be half way between these two in strength and fire.

It is said that twenty of the largest breweries in the Union have already passed into the syndicate's possession, with many more to follow rapidly. It is also whispered that the shrewd German citizens of the United States, who at present own and operate the breweries, are all the more willing to sell because of the rapid progress the prohibition and total abstinence movements are making in the northwest.

The Flag with Forty-two Stars.

Various arrangements have been proposed for the new United States flag when the four additional states come in. The present flag contains upon the blue union the thirty-eight stars arranged in five rows across the field, three rows containing eight stars each and two rows with seven stars each. It has been suggested that there be six rows containing seven stars each. Another suggestion is that there be three rows containing eight stars each, as at present, and two rows with nine stars. But this would necessitate changing the proportions of the blue field, which must not be done. A third proposition is to change the arrangement of the stars altogether, and instead of in rows place them in the form of a six pointed star. This is the suggestion of the editor of The Youth's Companion.

The Order of Delphians.

For fifteen years past a great secret society called the Order of Delphians has been slowly growing in this country. Its members are school teachers. Its main object is to advance the financial and social interests of the profession and to raise the standard of efficiency. Good teachers out of a place will be able to find employment through their brothers and sisters of the order. It is claimed that a thorough organization of the teachers of the country will enable the pedagogic profession "to reach that high plane of usefulness the grandeur of its mission demands." The supreme lodge of the United States is at present in Lincoln, Neb. The lodge has been regularly incorporated. Within a few months the order has been increasing rapidly, and teachers all over the Union are forming lodges.

A question that has long been of interest is how much beer makes a pint. If it is sold fresh and foaming, then the measure is filled with foam. If, on the other hand, the vessel is filled with the liquid, then the liquid itself is flat, stale and unprofitable. In this perplexity a brilliant thought has occurred to a number of liquor dealers. They are forming associations in which the members pledge themselves hereafter to sell beer by weight. They fix the price at five cents a pound, probably in accordance with the old saw, "A pint's a pound the world around."

Mayor Grant, of New York, has for a long time been endeavoring to persuade the trustees of the Metropolitan museum in Central park to open it to the public on Sundays. The trustees refuse obstinately. Boston's Art museum is open on Sundays. Saturday is a free admission day to the Boston museum, and nine-tenths of all the visitors attend on Saturday and Sunday. By far the greatest number of visitors is on Sunday. They are largely working people with their families.

The Philadelphia Evening Telegraph says plainly that Pennsylvanians should make good all losses to the survivors of the Johnstown flood. "Had the laws of the State properly guarded the interests of the Conemaugh valley the disaster never would have occurred," says the Telegraph. A loose dirt wall confined a vast weight of water in the artificial reservoir of the Pittsburg Fishing Club.

Tribute of Respect.

Whereas, it hath seemed good to our Heavenly Father to remove by death another member of our Sabbath School, in the person of Mary Helwig Wagner, we therefore desire to express our feelings in the following lines.

Resolved, That we do most sincerely bow in submission to this new visitation of God's providence.

Resolved, That we tender to the bereaved family the most cordial sympathies of the Georges Valley Lutheran Sunday School.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family with the assurance of our sympathy.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the county papers for publication.

Two eyes as blue as summer skies,
Forever closed in sleep,
A golden curl from off her brow
Is all that we can keep.

Within the tulle's silken fold
We laid the tress away,
To bring it forth so many times,
For many a weary day.

How much we miss the pattering feet
Upon the oaken floor,
Alas! we'll wait for them in vain,
They'll come again no more.

The playthings all are laid aside,
To see them gives us pain,
The little dress with ribbons blue,
She'll never wear again.

Red lips with rippling laughter sweet,
Like trill of forest bird,
It filled our home with music sweet,
But now it is not heard.

The restless, busy little hands,
Are folded on her breast,
O'ercome we wished they would be still,
And now they are at rest.

God took our resplend for his home,
To bloom in beauty bright,
In paradise it never will fade,
Or shadows come to night.

Although our home is dark and drear,
Bereft of all its light,
We bow submissive to Thy will,
Thou knowest what is right.

Mrs. AGNES GENTZEL,
Mrs. MINNIE HARTER,
Mrs. GARRIE CAIN,
Committee.

Spring Mills, June 11.

Facts for all.

In spite of all competition the Philad. Branch clothing store, remains headquarters for actual bargains in ready made clothing for men and boys. Lewins introduced cheap clothing in Centre county, and has kept it at that all the time; he kept honest goods, no trash, and as a rule, always sold from 25 to 30 per cent below any other clothing store in this part of the state. Bear these facts in mind--you have never had a truer friend than the Philad. Branch.

Announcements.

PROTHONOTARY.

We are authorized to announce that M. I. Gardner, of Howard County, will be a candidate for Prothonotary, subject to Democratic caucus.

We are authorized to announce that L. A. Shaffer will be a candidate for Prothonotary, subject to Democratic caucus.

In spite of all competition Lewins continues to take the lead in ready made clothing, low prices as well as quality of goods. He gets ahead of all, sells more than all, pleases all, and suits all.

It's not going to be so long between drinks, after all, looking at it from Tuesday's standpoint.