



COURT DOINGS

PROCEEDINGS SINCE LAST WEDNESDAY NOON.

Several Cases of Varied Interest Before the Jury.—Adjournment of Court.

Court called on Wednesday afternoon with all the judges on the bench. The sheriff offered for acknowledgement his several deeds for sundry real estate sold. The case of McCalmont & Co. vs. Eve Sharrer continued from Wednesday forenoon and verdict in favor of the defendant on Thursday afternoon.

John F. Potter and B. J. Potter vs. Samuel Page. The plaintiff made a motion to amend the record by striking out the name of John F. Potter so that the case would stand R. J. Potter, vs. Samuel Page, which was allowed by the court, whereupon the defendant plead surprise and the case was continued.

J. A. Lukens vs. Owen Jones. This suit was brought by the plaintiff to recover from the defendant balance on contract for building a house in the borough of Chester Hill, in Clearfield county for the defendant, Mr. Jones; verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$153.72.

Ella L. Fisher, by her agent Ephraim Fisher vs. Central R. R. Co., of Penna. This suit is brought by Mrs. Fisher to recover damages to crops and inconveniences occasioned to her by reason of the company going through the Armour farm north of Bellefonte with their road in the summer of 1893. Mrs. Fisher was in possession of this farm by virtue of a lease she had from the Armour heirs; verdict Friday afternoon in favor of the plaintiff for \$221.

J. P. Weber vs. Simon Harper executor of etc., vs. David Sparr, dec'd. This suit was brought to recover for work done and performed for David Sparr during his lifetime for which the plaintiff was to be remunerated at the death of Mr. Sparr. After hearing part of the plaintiff's evidence the case was withdrawn from the jury on Saturday morning and settled by the parties themselves.

Court adjourned Saturday noon and all jurors were discharged.

Other cases down for trial during the second week of court were disposed of as follows:

Rolly M. Test vs. Joseph T. Bean; continued.

Catharine Reagan vs. Beech Creek R. R. Co. and New York Central and Hudson River R. R. Co.; continued.

Hugh Ward Jr. vs. J. T. Lucas; continued.

Patrick Ward vs. J. T. Lucas; continued.

Samuel H. Bennison administrator of etc. of Caroline Montgomery, dec'd vs. Willis Weaver, administrator of etc. of Wm. Montgomery, dec'd; continued.

Beech Valley Coal and Iron Co. vs. Wm. Resides et al.; continued.

Lucretia Peters vs. Pennsylvania R. R. Co.; settled.

George N. Hill vs. Cato Mining Co.; continued.

Henry Croskey vs. Cato Mining Co.; continued.

Martha E. Oswald vs. the Hartford Fire Insurance Co. of Hartford, Conn.; continued.

Wm. L. McDowell vs. G. S. Flagel; continued.

E. E. Brown & Co. vs. H. E. Jenkins, W. R. Jenkins and A. Lukenbach; settled.

Theodore Fetler vs. Wm. Shawley; continued.

Jacob W. Bair, Sarah E. Weaver, John H. Bair, and Catharine A. Mess heirs and legal representatives of Samuel P. Bair, late of Potter township, dec'd, vs. Wm. From, James Runkle, who survive George Livingstone, deceased; case withdrawn and Ira C. Mitchell appointed an auditor to hear the case.

Calvin S. Bottorf vs. James H. Runkle; continued.

Rebecca Sparr, formerly Rebecca Meyer, vs. Jacob Meyer, Henry Meyer, Geo. Durst and Catharine Durst, nee Meyer, his wife, and Mrs. Polly Keller, nee Meyer, with notice to John H. Keller, Geo. Durst, Sr., Cyrus Durst and all terra tenants; voluntary non-suit entered.

Mr. Michael Derstine, we are glad to note, is again seen on our streets. Mr. Derstine has been confined to the house for the past four months on account of ill health.

End of School.

All of our schools will close about the 17th. The eight months' term begun last September will then be completed, and the scholars will be glad for a four months' vacation before the opening of another term.

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FOR THE DEDICATION.

Reduced Rates to Philadelphia via Pennsylvania Railroad.

On the occasion of the dedication of the Odd Fellow's Temple at Philadelphia, May 21, 1895, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell, on May 20 and 21, excursion tickets to Philadelphia and return from all points on its system east of Pittsburgh and Erie, north of Quantico and south of Canandaigua, inclusive, at a single fare for the round trip, with the minimum rate of fifty cents. Tickets will be good for return passage until May 23 inclusive.

This rate is open to the public, and offers an excellent opportunity for a visit to Philadelphia at a very small cost.

Fast and frequent express trains run from Philadelphia to all principal New Jersey sea-shore resorts.

Home Hits in a Hurry.

Mrs. Dr. Emerick, from all appearances, will have the best porch in town to display flowers.

No little town in the state can beat Centre Hall for more and prettier flowers or prettier women that cultivate them.

A colored missionary preached in the M. E. church Sunday evening and in the M. E. church Monday eve'g.

Our Reformed brethren have near \$2800 subscribed of the \$3000 required to begin with on their contemplated new church.

Now the whole landscape presents a scene of loveliness. The blossoms are out in all colors and add beauty to the green foliage of the trees.

Mrs. Odenkirk's large lawn is spangled with a million golden dandelion flowers and is prettier than the carpet of any prince.

Talking about dandelions we may as well add that the sod patches are decorated as never before with their beautiful yellow blossoms. The ladies gather these flowers and make quite a delicate wine of them, which, besides, they claim, is a healthy drink; but it has another merit, women can sip this dandelion wine without getting on a bender or starting a row.

P. R. R. Buys More Rails.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has just supplemented its contracts for 27,000 tons of steel rails, placed some months ago, by placing additional contracts for 20,000 tons more, making a total of 47,000 tons for the year. The contracts are divided among three companies, as follows: Pennsylvania Steel Company, Cambria Iron Company, and Carnegie Steel Company. This additional outlay on the part of the company for betterments indicates more forcibly than anything else the improvement in business that is being felt all over the country.

Clearfield Lumber Decrease.

There is no better evidence of the enormous decrease in the lumbering industry of Clearfield county than the fact that but four rafts came out of the Clearfield creek this year and about 800,000 feet of logs. Twelve years ago 75 rafts were common and about 40,000,000 feet of logs. The great lumber section is gone, and the men who worked in the lumber woods most of the year have now turned their attention to coal and fire clay mining.

Met With an Accident.

A dispatch from Williamsport says: Peter Young, a Pine Creek lumberman, met with a fatal accident. He was on the mountain cutting a tree when a wild log rushed down upon him which threw him into the air twenty feet. His companions constructed a stretcher and carried him two miles to a doctor, but he died from his injuries in a short time.

Bicycles Must Pay Toll.

Justice Dean, of the Supreme Court, has handed down a decision that bicyclists are liable to pay toll while going through a turnpike toll gate. This is evidently a wrong decision as the characters of pikes were granted before bicycles were in use, but then the Supreme Court must let the people know that such a body is in existence.

Lutheran Conference.

The Lutheran conference met at Aaronsburg, Wednesday morning and will adjourn this evening. Rev. Renick and Samuel Spangler, the delegate of this charge, are in attendance.

Shingles and Lumber for Sale.

All kinds of shingles, all kinds of lumber and plastering lath always on hand, at the mill of E. M. Huyett, near Potters Mills, and at lowest market prices. 9ma3t

The merchant tailoring establishment connected with Lewins clothing house at Bellefonte, has the reputation for turning out the best and most stylish clothing worn in the county.

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THOSE WHO DESIRE TO GO WEST.

Reduced Rates to Denver, Col., via Pennsylvania Railroad.

For the accommodation of persons who desire to visit Colorado on the occasion of the meeting of the National Educational Association, at Denver, Col., July 5 to 12, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets on July 3, 4, and 5, to Denver, Colorado Springs, Manitou, and Pueblo, at the extremely low rate of \$50.75 from New York, \$59.25 from Philadelphia, \$47.50 from Baltimore and Washington, \$47.25 from Harrisburg; proportionate rates from other points.

These tickets will be good for return passage from Colorado points on July 12, 13, 14, and 15, with an extension until September 1, if desired.

A special train of Pullman Buffet Sleeping cars will be run, leaving New York at 10.10 a. m. July 4, stopping at prominent intermediate points, and arriving at Denver on the afternoon of July 6.

This affords a grand opportunity for a trip to the world-renowned Rocky Mountain resorts in Colorado at a comparatively small cost.

A Singular Case.

A recent number of the Harrisburg Telegraph says: "There is living today in an interior town of Pennsylvania a gentleman whose brother fought and was killed in the battle of Gettysburg, October 4 1777-1818 years ago. This gentleman was born in 1812 and is therefore 83 years old. His birth occurred thirty-five years after the battle, and the brother who lost his life, aged 18, was the oldest son of his father, who had twenty-four children, and the gentleman referred to was the youngest. We are safe in affirming there is not a similar case in Pennsylvania or anywhere else. The gentleman referred to in the foregoing is Moses Chamberlain, Esq., of Milton, Pa. (See Linn's "Annals of the Buffalo Valley." p. 440.)

How to Mail Letters.

"Don't mail your letters or valuable package without having your own address printed upon the upper left hand corner." This is the advice Frank H. Jones, the first ass't postmaster general, gives to all persons who have business with the postoffice department. By having your address printed on your envelopes you will insure the return to you of every letter that is not delivered and you will prevent them being sent to and opened at the dead letter office.

Selling on the Installment Plan.

In a recent decision the Supreme Court of this state has reaffirmed the legality of selling goods on the installment plan. Articles leased under bailment for use remain the property of the lessor until the final payment is made in accordance with the terms of the lease, and cannot be seized by creditors of the lessee for his debts. This applies to sewing machines, organs, pianos, stoves, bicycles, wagons, horses and most anything else that can change hands without changing the character of the article in any way.

In from Montana.

Miss Annie Harpster arrived on Wednesday from Missoula, Montana, and is now the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jerry Miller. She left Montana last Thursday, and was almost a week on her trip by rail east. Our Centre Hall contingent in Missoula, she reports as being in excellent health and liking the country very much. She expects to remain east for the present.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses were granted during the past week: Edmund B. Rankin and Anna J. Stott, of Bellefonte.

Geo. H. Weight, of Benner twp., and Cora Brumgart, of Salona, Clinton Co.

Herbert S. Ailman, and Nannie M. Houser, of Houserville.

James A. Hatch and Mary L. Burchfield, of Philipsburg.

Out Practicing.

Our boys are out nightly practicing base ball on the grounds in Grange Park. We have not heard of any club to be organized this season, the wallpings the boys got last year from teams in other parts of the country frightened them. Several years ago Centre Hall had the best team in valley, but she had her wings clipped of late.

School Entertainment.

Next Friday evening, the 17th, an entertainment will be given in the auditorium in Grange Park, by the scholars of Prof. Wolf's school. The pupils have been holding rehearsals for several weeks and the exercises promise to be of more than ordinary merit.

Wanted—Potatoes, Smoke meats, and all kinds of country produce; will pay highest market prices.—C. P. Long, Spring Mills.

CAPITOL NEWS

THE ADMINISTRATION ALIVE TO AMERICAN INTERESTS.

The President Needs no Vindication on the Stand He took on the Monroe Doctrine.—The Nicaragua Affair.

If President Cleveland and Secretary Gresham needed vindication for the position they took in the dispute between Great Britain and Nicaragua, the outcome of that affair would furnish a full supply, showing as it does that the administration was thoroughly alive to American interests. To say that the Monroe doctrine was at any time involved in the affair is simply to display ignorance of the Monroe doctrine. But the treaty between the United States and Great Britain, known as the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, was the foundation upon which the administration stood when it consented to the temporary occupation of Corinto by the British. That treaty says: "Neither the United States or Great Britain will ever erect or maintain any fortifications commanding the ship canal, or in the vicinity thereof, or occupy or fortify or colonize or assume or exercise any dominion over Nicaragua, Costa Rica, the Mosquito coast or any part of Central America." In the face of that explicit language how silly appears all the wild talk about the intention of Great Britain to gobble up as much of Nicaragua as would give her control of the canal. It just shows however, how lamentably ignorant many of those who write about public affairs are. But viciousness has been responsible for more of the misrepresentations in this case than ignorance has.

Civil Service Commissioner Lyman, whose rumored forced resignation has been a sort of bi-monthly or quarterly publication, appearing with sufficient regularity to entitle it to claim second class postal rates, ever since that Congressional committee investigated the charges made against him, several years ago, by the Washington Post, of favoritism toward a relative in office, is really going this time. His resignation, which it is needless to say was not voluntarily tendered, is now in the hands of the President, and it is expected that his successor will be named at the same time that the vacancy caused by the resignation of Theodore Roosevelt is filled. Both Lyman and Roosevelt are Republicans but it is the President's intention to appoint a Democrat in place of one of them, which will make the commission consist of two Democrats and one Republican instead of two Republicans and one Democrat, as it has been during this entire administration.

Senator Gorman doesn't often allow his opinions to be quoted in a newspaper, but he has this to say of the personal attack lately made upon him by the Hon. Isador Rayner, an aspirant for the Maryland Democratic gubernatorial nomination. "I regret to be compelled to say that I regard Mr. Rayner's speech as that of an over-anxious candidate, who has forgotten his protestations of friendship and what he has always claimed to be his undying gratitude for my friendship for him during the past twenty years. Why he has made the personal assault upon me, I am at a loss to comprehend, unless it be that his earnest pleading with me to support him for the nomination failed to receive a favorable response. He ought, however, to have been satisfied with my assurance to him, that I believed the best interests of the party required that the nomination should seek the man, and not the man the nomination."

Secretary Gresham is not sick enough to justify the sensational reports sent out from Washington, although he is confined to his room and is likely to be for four or five days more. It is the same old trouble—stomach and liver—that laid him up a few weeks ago, and the cause is also the same—overwork and failure to take proper care of himself. He is in no danger and only requires rest to bring him around again.

Attorney General Olney has decided that the construction put upon the law governing the purchase of seeds by the Agricultural department by Secretary Morton was correct; consequently instead of spending the \$100,000 appropriated, Secretary Morton will only buy such seeds as are "rare and uncommon" unless Congress makes a new law compelling the expenditure of all the money.

Ex-Senator Blair, of N. H., evidently isn't a Reed man. He says: "New England is apparently for Reed, but the feeling isn't of the kind that would make men die in the last ditch fighting for Reed. Some of his brethren may be for him, thinking that a New England man, not Reed, however, might get second place on the ticket. And yet it might happen that Reed himself would finally be satisfied with second honors. Then it must be remembered that in his own state Hale

and Frye and the other old-time Blaine men are not brimming over with joy at Tom Reed's present political prominence. They are for him, but largely because they have to be, and the draught is just about as pleasant as a dose of medicine is to a small boy."

The arguments before the Supreme Court for a rehearing in the income tax cases were opened today.

Origin of "Viz."

The contraction "viz." is a curious instance of the university of arbitrary signs. There are few writers who do not appreciate the fact that the little contraction may be used in "good form" writing of all kinds, but there are probably even fewer persons who have any idea of its origin. It is a corruption of the word videlicet, the terminal letter of which was made in the shape of a "z," but was never intended to represent that letter, being simply used as a mark or sign of abbreviation. It is now always written and expressed as "z," and will doubtless continue to be so used as long as written language exists. It is, however, as we have said, one of the many arbitrary modes of expression used by the masses, who never give a thought as to their origin.

Late News Condensed.

There has been quite a crop of murders and suicides of late—in many cases a woman has been at the bottom.

The bill for a new county to be called Quay, is now certain to pass; it had got a black eye a few weeks ago.

The war between China and Japan is at an end.

Ecuador has a revolution on hand. Townsend, superintendent of the Philadelphia mint, has resigned, and Herman Kretz, of Reading, has been appointed in his place.

Japan will receive an additional \$50,000,000 for abandoning the Liao Tung peninsula.

A family at Decatur, Ill., named their triplets, after Mrs. Cleveland and two daughters, Ruth, Esther and Frances. This brought a check for \$500 from the President.

Strange Phenomena.

Persons who happened to be on the street Friday night about midnight and after, saw a curious spectacle. A flight of enormous black beetles passed over the town and attracted by the electric arc street lights hovered about them in countless myriads. Thousands of these "big bugs" came in contact with the live wires and fell on the pavements and on the street under the lights. Some recovered from the shock and flew away, but plenty of them were killed outright and were lying where they fell next morning. Some of the insects were three inches in length. The flight lasted perhaps two hours.—Philipsburg Ledger.

Outside News Items.

Jonathan Bowersox died at Loganton Friday two weeks ago, of heart disease, aged 70.

Tobacco seeds are so minute that it is said a thumbful of them will furnish enough plants for an acre of ground.

Judge McClure gave John Aultz, of Strode's Mills, nine months in jail for stealing chickens. Centre county chicken thieves take warning lest you get such a Love-ly time too.

Wellknown Minister Gets Damages.

The subject of the item below is well known to many "Reporter" readers: About three years ago Rev. Peter Willard, Lutheran minister, and his little grandson, Allen Bruce Willard, were run down by a fast line west on the Penn'a railroad. On Thursday last a jury awarded the parents of the child \$1,470 and the children of Rev. Willard \$1,140.

For whooping cough Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is excellent. By using it freely the disease is deprived of all dangerous consequences. There is no danger in giving the remedy to babies, as it contains nothing injurious. 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by Wm. Pealer, Spring Mills, and S. M. Swartz, Tusseyville.

Special Term of School.

Summer session of Centre Hall High School will open Monday, May 27.

Scholars of intermediate and grammar grades received. An opportunity will be given to pursue advanced and special courses.

E. J. WOLF, A. M., Principal.

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—Our spring stock of clothing is now in and a more complete assortment cannot be found in any store. Clothing never was so cheap and you get surprisingly big returns for your money.—Lewins, Bellefonte.

Figured China Silks, 20c. a yard. Striped Wash Silks, 30c. a yard. Lyon & Co.

ABE LACEY DEAD.

Died in the Harrisburg Asylum last February.

Abe Lacey, the original American tramp, who was known to the REPORTER's readers back forty years and more, is dead. He used to tramp Penns Valley, frightening women into getting him a good meal, sleeping in and defiling school houses, and often treated to a cart whipping by pestered farmers. He was fat as an eel. The Thompsonstown Globe says of Abe.

It may be interesting to some of our readers to learn that Abram Lacey died in the Harrisburg Asylum last February and that his body was shipped to a Philadelphia Medical College where it would naturally find its way to the dissecting room. "Old Abe," as he was called, was known all over Central Pennsylvania. He was a character the like of which we do not think survives. For more than a quarter of a century he was a familiar figure on our highways, traveling from house to house. He was filthy and disagreeable, so much so that toward the last no one wanted to take him in. He landed in Monroe township this county, and became a charge on that district. The Overseers of the Poor sent him to the asylum about three years ago, not because he was insane, but no one wanted to take care of him. It has always been currently reported that this old vagrant came from a wealthy family, but we don't think it was ever verified.

County Clippings Condensed.

Benj. Gentzel, of near Zion, has fitted up a two acre strip of woodland, says the Centre Democrat, for a deer park, and has several fawns to start with.

Philipsburg will have a brass band tournament June 18 and 19, at which \$300 in prizes are offered; all bands invited to compete.

Jesse Wert, Jr., of Aaronsburg, had a leg broken in two places below the knee, while lumbering near that place. George Rupp, of Aaronsburg, is still helplessly ill.

A little daughter of Luther M. Stover, of Haines twp., was seriously burned while kindling a fire a short time ago.

Union County Deaths.

Hon. John W. Simonton, died in Millinburg, April 28, aged 82 years and 5 months.

In Lewisburg April 27, Miss Mary E. Nesbit, aged about 74 years.

In East Buffalo, April 17, Elias Smith, aged 47 years.

At Montandon 15 April, Mrs. David S. Witman, aged 67 years.

In Lewisburg, 25 April, Frances Y., wife of Josiah Kelly, aged 61 years.

In Hartley twp., April 20, Susannah wife of Adam Boop, aged 74 years.

In Limestone tp., Ap. 21, Mrs. Isaac Zimmerman, aged 60 years.

In New Berlin, Ap. 18, Elizabeth Hummel, aged 90 years and 3 m.

Persons who sympathize with the afflicted will rejoice with D. E. Carr of 1235 Harrison street, Kansas City. He is an old sufferer from inflammatory rheumatism, but has not heretofore been troubled in this climate. Last winter he went into Wisconsin, and in consequence has had another attack. "It came upon me again very acute and severe," he said. "My joints swelled and became inflamed; sore to touch or almost to look at. Upon the urgent request of my mother-in-law I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm to reduce the swelling and ease the pain, and to my agreeable surprise, it did both. I have used three fifty-cent bottles and believe it to be the finest thing for rheumatism, pains and swellings extant. For sale by Wm. Pealer, Spring Mills, and S. M. Swartz, Tusseyville.

Bellefonte's Centennial.

We extend a cordial invitation to the good people of Centre Hall and Penns Valley to call upon us at any time, especially during our Centennial, on June 5th, 6th and 7th.

Our lines of Clothing, Hats and Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods, Ladies' Shirt Waists and Chemisettes are very large and complete.

Straw Hats in great abundance.

MONTGOMERY & Co. Merchant Tailors, Bellefonte.

Lutheran Convention.

The first district convention of young Lutherans, of Union, Centre and Clinton counties will be held in St. John's English Lutheran church at Lock Haven, May 14 and 15. The convention will open on Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock, and close with the session of Wednesday evening.

—Extraordinary reductions in Winter clothing and overcoats by Lyons, Bellefonte, and this means a reduction from the wonderfully low prices they have had during the past season. The reductions last only a short time.