



CIVIL CASES TRIED.

PROCEEDINGS OF LAST WEEK UP TO ADJOURNMENT.

Interest in the Bright-Beck Trial.—The Result Closely Watched by Physicians.

In the case of G. W. McDonald vs. G. W. Hoover the jury retired at nine o'clock on Thursday morning after having been charged by the court, and returned with their verdict at 5.35 on Thursday afternoon, in favor of the plaintiff for \$1800.

Michael Nicklas vs. A. M. McClain and Isaac Thomas, trading and doing business as A. M. McClain & Co; continued, special.

Luther Guisewite, now for the use of A. Walter, cashier of the Millheim Banking Co., of Millheim, vs. The Iron City Mutual Fire Insurance Co., of Pittsburg, Pa. Continued generally.

Alice Garbrick vs. J. B. Gantzell; continued generally.

S. R. Shumacker vs. A. M. McClain and Isaac Thomas, trading and doing business as A. M. McClain & Co. Defendants confessed judgment in favor of the plaintiff for \$892.22, with stay of execution for one year.

John A. Logue and W. A. Hartsock administrators of etc., of Josephine Williams, deceased, vs. William J. Kline, J. C. Henderson and George Kline, plea judgment opened. By agreement of counsel the jury were sworn only as to J. C. Henderson. This action is brought on a note executed and delivered to Mrs. Williams on February 21st, 1889 for \$200, which Mr. Henderson alleges he never signed. After hearing a portion of plaintiff's testimony it was discovered that the case was not ready for trial, whereupon the plaintiff's counsel moved the court to withdraw a jury and continue at the cost of the plaintiffs.

Wm. J. Thompson vs. Wm. Parker, W. I. Treaster and Roland Fye. The jury was sworn only as to Wm. Parker, and by agreement a verdict was rendered in favor of the plaintiff for ten acres and nine perches of land described in draft filed, subject to the defendants paying the plaintiff the sum of \$60 within two years and docket costs, when deed is to be delivered to the defendants for the land described.

John I. Thompson vs. The Graysdale Mining Co. Settled.

George E. French vs. D. M. Bilger, Charles Bilger, Allport Bilger, Mrs. C. E. Labord, Mrs. C. J. Calhoun, Mrs. F. C. Parker, Mrs. Irene McDermott, Mrs. A. G. Anderson and Mrs. Georgiana Parker. The jury were sworn only as to D. M. Bilger, Wm. Bilger, Charles Bilger, Allport Bilger and Georgiana Parker. This action is brought to eject defendants from a portion of a tract of land containing about 433 acres patented to Henry Witmer in 1793 by the Commonwealth located in Upper Bald Eagle twp., in Millin county, but now in Rush twp., Centre county, and by successive conveyances the title is now in this plaintiff. The defendants claim title to a tract of land containing one hundred acres, a portion of which is on the aforementioned tract by prescriptive title, having the undisputed, open, and notorious possession of it for over twenty-one years. Verdict on Friday morning in favor of the defendants.

John A. Mann vs. Geo. Deitz, Robert J. Mann, and James R. Fye. This plaintiff lived in the house of Mr. Deitz, in Curtin township from some time in August 1894 until the 8th day of April, 1895, when the defendants entered the house and set the goods of the plaintiff on the public road and in a shed, and this plaintiff now claims damages to his goods and the loss of the house to live in. These defendants were convicted at August sessions 1895 for forcible entry and detainer and shortly afterwards the defendant sued before justice of the Peace Jonathan Schenck which suit was afterwards discontinued. Verdict in favor of the defendants.

Bridget Canavan, by her next friend Andrew Campbell vs. Michael Canavan, plea subpoena in divorce, stricken from the list and not to be put on again without leave of the court.

C. C. Bell vs. Emil Joseph, Sigmund Joseph and Herman Holtz, owners and contractors; continued generally.

C. L. Beck vs. Dr. J. W. Bright. This action was brought to recover damages from the defendant for negligence in removing plaintiff's right eye sometime during the month of May 1892. The plaintiff alleges that by reason of defendant's unskillfulness unable to get a glass eye to fit. From the evidence adduced it appears that this plaintiff had trouble with his right eye from the time that he was a boy three years old by pain and a gradual growing weaker, and finally in 1882 the eye became totally blind and it became necessary in 1892 to remove

this eye to save the other eye, which was accordingly done. This case created more than usual interest especially among physicians. Verdict for defendant on Saturday evening at 9:15 after the jury had been out about ten or fifteen minutes.

On Friday afternoon, after the jury in Beck-Bright were empanelled, all the other jurors for the second week of April court were discharged.

Court adjourned at 9:15 on Saturday evening.

Judge Hoffa has an Experience in Naples.

Hon. Cyrus Hoffa has been writing a series of interesting letters for the Lewisburg Journal, descriptive of his travels in Europe. We make the following extract from his letter in last week's Journal, of an experience he had in Naples:

"Having lost my umbrella on Mt. Vesuvius the day before, I concluded to go and buy one. I got into a cab and after a great deal of difficulty succeeded in explaining to the driver that I wanted to buy an umbrella. At the end of a long drive through the e zigzag, narrow streets we stopped in front of a small store. I went in, and after examining dozens of umbrellas, finally selected a silk one. The price asked was 25 lira. Finally they dropped to 17 lira. I paid them in full and purchased a cover for one lira. I handed them the money for the cover after which they insisted I had not paid them for the umbrella, and several of them undertook to take it from me unless I paid for it again, but I kept them at a distance with the point of it and was going for the door when at least 40 Italians crowded in the room and on the pavement. I pushed several of them over against the wall and punched some of them in the ribs. I soon found I was fast and knew the dangerous position I was in, as nearly all the Italians are armed with stiletos, or short daggers. Seeing a man on the pavement, as I could look over the Italian's head, I was so much taller, I concluded he was an Englishman. After motioning to him he came to my assistance and after explaining the situation to him he said that this was the second or third time that he saw this kind of robbery in this store, but I had no other way, either to pay for the umbrella a second time, or leave it, as they would swear I had not paid for it, and that I would have to give bail for appearance at court which might take weeks before the case would be tried and that my oath would be useless in their courts when a dozen of these men would perjure themselves and swear I had not paid for the umbrella. I concluded that the best thing I could do was to pay for it again, and I told him to tell these sons of perdition that if they would ever come to America I would shoot every one of them. I recite this story not that it is any credit to me, but to show the miserable system of robbery they practice on strangers; however, I would not give the umbrella now for all I paid for it. When I got outside, my driver sat on his seat apparently as innocent and unconscious as a lamb, but have no doubt that he got his share of the robbery."

Improved Passenger Train Service.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Co. will place in service May 17th inst, new passenger trains on Sunbury Division, between Sunbury and Wilkesbarre. A train will leave Sunbury on arrival of train 8 from the west and train 11 from the east, at 2:00 p. m. for Wilkesbarre, Scranton and other points. Passengers can leave Canandaigua 7.50 a. m., Elmira 10.05 a. m., Kane 6.30 a. m., DuBois 7.10 a. m., Bellefonte 9.25 a. m., Lock Haven, 11.20 a. m., Williamsport 12.40 p. m., Harrisburg 11.35 a. m., and reach Danville 2.24 p. m., Catawissa 2.43 p. m., East Bloomsburg 2.50 p. m., Nescopeck 3.15 p. m., Mocaqua 3.42 p. m., Wilkesbarre 4.15 p. m., and Scranton 5.22 p. m. Returning train will leave Scranton 4.41 p. m., Wilkesbarre 6.00 p. m., stopping at other principal points connecting at Sunbury with trains 6 and 13 for points east and west. may 13-22

Made an Investigation.

Last Friday Coroner Locke and District Attorney Singer came over to investigate the sudden death of Wm. Horner, who was found dead in an outbuilding on the 5th. There was a suspicion that his death was not from natural causes, and the county officials were asked to look into the matter. An examination disclosed no grounds for the rumors afloat and that his death was caused by heart failure.

Decoration Day.

The memorial services will be held in Centre Hall on Saturday evening, 29th, at about six o'clock. The G. A. R. Post are completing arrangements for the services. Rev. S. H. Eisenberg will deliver the address. The Pleasant Gap band will likely be present to furnish the music. All arrangements have not yet been made.

TWO O-BE-JOYFULS.

Examine Your Sideboard for a Pull of Something Good.

Miss Annie Good, who is keeping house for her grand father, near Quincy, was cleaning house this week, when she removed a fire board which had not been removed for 20 years, and found to her surprise a fine gallon demijohn of whiskey marked "Fourth proof whiskey made 1860." No one has any knowledge of the demijohn being placed there. The whiskey is 28 years old.

Mr. Good was in the distilling business at the time the whiskey was placed and it is his own make.

The age has improved it very much and it is very valuable.

Mr. Good has it in his own possession and values it very highly.

The peculiar part is that no one knew of its being there at all. It is thought Mrs. Good must have put it there and she has been dead for 17 years.

This is a case like one Jake Harpster related to us. He and a companion many years ago were traveling through Snowshoe, the latter having a pint flask of whiskey hid it under a stump to remain hid until his return in a few days. However, neither of the two returned that way. Sixteen years thereafter Mr. Harpster again went to Snowshoe by the same route, and remembering the circumstance of the hidden treasure, curiosity led him to examine the stump, and to his agreeable surprise there was the flask with its contents undisturbed.

Greece Asks for Mediation.

Good authority has it that Greece has made a written application to the powers through their representatives at Athens with a view of obtaining mediation.

All the representatives have promised in their replies to use their best offices, except the German minister, who has merely acknowledged the receipt of the note from the cabinet.

The Porte is inclined to support the powers, with a view to the facilitation of negotiations, but it declines to consent to an armistice, on the ground that this would enable Greece to reorganize her forces.

As a matter of fact, Turkey continues to send troops from Salonica homeward, and it is probable that Osman Pasha has returned to Constantinople from Salonica. In view of both facts it may be assumed that nothing serious is expected, but the continuance of a state of war is regarded as the very best means of hastening the efforts of diplomacy.

Sultan Expresses sympathy.

Private advices received in London from Constantinople declare that the sultan has expressed deep sympathy for King George and the Greek government, whose hands, in his opinion, were forced by revolutionary agents at Athens and Alexandria.

The sultan, according to these advices, declines to claim a war indemnity and proposes a Turko-Greek treaty upon the simultaneous evacuation of Thessaly and Crete.

Finally, it is said that the sultan desires to deal direct with Greece and not through the powers.

Robbers Terrify an Aged Pair.

Two masked men broke into the house of Charles Brown, on the mountain, near Sabula, Clearfield county, one night last week. One of the burglars compelled aged Mr. Brown and wife to stand in the corner at the point of pistols while the other ransacked the house for \$30,000, which was supposed to be hidden therein.

After an hour's search the men bade the old people good-by without having secured any booty.

Weekly Weather Report—Centre Hall.

(Government Service.) Temperature: Highest. Lowest. May 6 74 49 part cloudy. " 7 71 50 clear. " 8 71 35 clear. " 9 79 43 clear. " 10 75 54 clear. " 11 76 46 part cloudy. " 12 69 58 cloudy.

On 10, at noon, .10 in. rain. On 12th, from 1 a. m. to 11 a. m., .51 in. of rain.

The Westfield (Ind.) News prints the following in regard to an old resident of that place: "Frank McAvoy, for many years in the employ of the L. N. A. & C. Ry. here, says: 'I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for ten years or longer—am never without it in my family. I consider it the best remedy of the kind manufactured. I take pleasure in recommending.' It is a specific for all bowel disorders. For sale by J. H. Ross, Linden Hall; S. M. Swartz, Tusseyville; Wm. Pealer, Spring Mills, and R. E. Bartholomew, Centre Hall.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

UGLY RUMORS OF ANOTHER SUGAR SCANDAL

The Trust Apparently Dictating Legislation.—Boss Hanna May Lose His Seat in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, May 10.—Is there to be another sugar scandal? That is the question that is being asked often and often as the sugar schedule in the amended tariff bill is becoming better understood. Washington is full of ugly rumors concerning that sugar schedule and the manner in which it was adopted, one being that a copy of the schedule was in the hands of a broker several days before the bill was reported to the Senate, and was used for speculative purposes. Senator Jones, of Nevada, is reported to have stated that at the last meeting of the Republican members of the Senate Finance committee, which he was invited to attend it was indefinitely understood that the provision expressly continuing the Hawaiian reciprocity treaty should remain in the bill, yet when the bill was reported to the Senate the next day that clause was left out. It is notorious that the sugar trust has been working to get the treaty with Hawaii abrogated. It is also known that the majority of Congress is opposed to the abrogation of this treaty. Can it be wondered at then, that it should be charged that the treaty provision was left out of the bill so that money might be made speculating in the stock of the sugar trust? Prominent Republicans have openly denounced this sugar schedule as indefensible and as being intentionally muddled and mixed so as to confuse the public as to the benefit the sugar trust would derive from it. The Dingley bill as passed by the House gave the sugar trust protection to the extent of one-quarter of a cent a pound on sugar, but Representative Swanson, of Va., a Democratic member of the House Ways and Means committee, who has carefully analyzed the present schedule positively asserts that "the least possible protection to the sugar trust in the schedule adopted by the Senate Finance committee is nearly half a cent a pound." Whether the present schedule be allowed to stand or not, the sugar trust people and those who stand in with them have probably already utilized it to make a big pile of money by speculating.

Mr. Claude M. Johnson, the gold Democrat who, as a personally requested favor of ex-Secretary Carlisle, is being allowed to remain at the head of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, is getting some rough raking over from Democrats. He is accused of recommending the reinstatement of Republicans whose dismissal he had recommended to the Secretary of the Treasury for specific cause, under the late administration, and is said to take especial pleasure in a Republican reinstatement that pushes a regular Democrat out.

The country is likely to get an idea very soon of why Mr. Theodore Roosevelt, sometimes referred to as "Scrapping Teddy," was made Assistant Sec. of the Navy, as Mr. Roosevelt will this week begin an investigation of the New York navy yard, with special reference to its employment of labor. It has been hinted that boss Platt has had an understanding with Mr. Roosevelt, and that the New York navy yard is to be utilized in behalf of the Republican machine in greater New York, but it will not be believed by those who have faith in Mr. Roosevelt's professions of reform, until there is proof in sight.

Now that the arbitration treaty has been rejected, largely by the efforts and votes of Democratic Senators, lots of those who were at one time advocating the ratification of the treaty are talking about what a lucky escape the United States had.

Recent news from Ohio has not been at all satisfactory to Boss Hanna and his hopes of retaining the seat in the Senate that John Sherman was compelled to give him, and he has gone to Ohio to study the situation at close range, and figure up how much cash he shall put into the campaign. His Republican colleagues in the Senate showed how transient they regarded him by failing to make him chairman of any committee and by giving him unimportant committee assignments. They could not very well have made plainer their belief that the next Ohio legislature would be Democratic and Mr. Hanna's successor a Democrat. It was given out by Mr. Hanna that he was going home for a rest, by order of his physician.

If indications are not very deceptive the influence of the sugar trust is quite as potent in the White House as in the Senate. Mr. McKinley has been unable to stand the pressure, and will, there are reasons to believe, save the New York broker (Chapman) who re-

fused to divulge the names of Senators who speculated in sugar through his firm from the ignominy of serving the term in jail to which he was sentenced for pardoning him. If he does, the pardon will indirectly result in saving the two members of the sugar trust who are under indictment for contempt in the same case, as the indictments will probably be noll prossed if Chapman is pardoned.

Don'ts for Bicyclists.

Don't wear flaming colors in your hat.

Don't try to keep up a steady conversation while riding. You need your breath for pedaling.

Don't walk your bicycling more than is absolutely necessary. It attracts unpleasant attention.

Don't mount by the aid of a telegraph pole. That is not the way your instructor taught you.

Don't make short turns at corners. A bicycle will slip easily, particularly if the ground is not dry.

Don't start till you are certain that, not only your wheel, but your costume is in perfect condition, so that nothing will break loose under the strain of riding.

Don't insist upon your right of way if you are going up hill and a cyclist is coming down so fast that he cannot control his wheel. Because he is a fool, you must not be a crank.

Business Notes.

John T. Lee has his carriage shop in full operation. Read his adv.

Boob's wheel works are busy filling orders of which there is no lack.

Reed Alexander is partner in the Millheim marble works and attends to the outside affairs.

Will Runkle tells us he is pleased with the patronage his hotel is having.

Frank Arney & Co. seem to have enough to do at paper hanging.

D. F. Luse has orders for all the hydrants he can make.

Swartz's store at Tusseyville, is being enlarged.

Esq. Houseman was in town the other day, full of business, legal and other.

Colyer is having a brisk time in his varied operations.

Best of all—Nature is busy pushing forward the grain, grass and fruit crops, to the pleasure of the deserving farmer.

Advertise in the Reporter, every body reads it.

Merchant Sentenced to Jail for Solicitation

The readers of the Reporter will remember that the store of Will Wagner, formerly of this vicinity, now at Kipple, near Altona, was set on fire by an enemy.

Robert B. Hutchinson, proprietor of a large dry goods establishment at Kipple, was fined \$50 and sent to jail for six months by the Blair County Court, on Monday, for solicitation to commit arson.

He persuaded Frank Bowden and Frank Moore, two boys, to attempt to burn the store of Pheasant & Wagner his business competitors. The boys were sent to the Huntingdon Reformatory. Hutchinson's case will be appealed to the Supreme Court. His attorney claims that solicitation is not an indictable offense in Pennsylvania.

Home Telephone Companies Can Go On.

The decision of the Supreme Court of the United States, sustaining the Berliner patents, will not interfere with home companies.

These home companies can get along without the Berliner patent. The decision only affected the Berliner patents, and as the Bell patents had expired, telephone manufacturers could operate with the Bell patents which made a good telephone, the same as used by the Bell company for many years.

Big Lift for a Soldier's Widow.

Mary Anthony, an aged widow living at Mill run, Clearfield county, recently received a pension of \$12 a month and \$2,400 arrears. After the death of her first husband, a soldier, she had married another soldier, now also deceased. This second husband had another wife, and in all the families involved there are twenty-one living children. Mrs. Anthony has given each \$100, keeping but \$300 of the \$2,400 for herself.

OneWay to be Happy.

Is to attend to the comfort of your family. Should one catch a slight cold or cough, call on R. E. Bartholomew, Centre Hall, and G. H. Long, Spring Mills, and get a trial bottle of Otto's Cure, the great German Remedy free. We give it away to prove that we have a sure cure for Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Constipation, and all diseases of the throat and Lungs. Large sizes 50c. and 25c.

Apportionment of Delegates.

At a meeting of the Democratic Co. Committee, held last week, the following apportionment of delegates was made, based on last fall's vote for President:

Table with columns: ELECTION DISTRICT, VOTE FOR PRESIDENT, NO. DELE.

And now, May 2nd, 1897, the above apportionment is adopted and ratified by the Democratic County Committee.

DOYD A. MUESSER, Secretary. HUGH S. TAYLOR, Chairman.

TUSSEYVILLE.

News of the Past Week Gathered by Our Correspondent.

J. S. Houseman and wife made a trip to Bellefonte Monday.

We are glad to note that the sick are all improving.

Mrs. Ellen Moyer and daughters Mary and Blanche, were visiting her mother, Mrs. Grenoble, at Spring Mills, over Sunday.

Miss Mary Fesse was to Centre Hall Saturday.

Squire Houseman was at Rebersburg on Tuesday attending a law suit at J. W. Carlin's, esq.

Mr. Winters, constable at Rebersburg, was transacting some important business in our community last Tuesday.

Jonas G. Boal was to Centre Hall Saturday.

Eddie Mersinger is quite a popular clerk in S. M. Swartz's store at present. The addition to their store is almost completed and is quite an improvement.

Our young friend Frank McClellan was to Bellefonte last week; we judge by all appearance he was after license.

John L. Runkle and wife, and Mrs. Mary Rossman were to Bellefonte on Monday.

Miss Flora Stiffler, of Lemont, was visiting friends in the vicinity of Colyer over Sunday.

Wm. Colyer, of Centre Hall, was transacting business in our vicinity on Saturday.

Miss Annie Reninger, of Spring Mills, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Henry Moyer.

Jacob Smith & Son have a customer who does his own clerking. If there were more such customers there would be no need of having clerks back of the counter.

Rotters Mills.

Prof. Neff and his students enliven the town; he has a good school.

W. J. Thompson is building a new stable on his property where Dr. Alexander resides.

Mrs. James Armstrong and son, of Oak Hall, were in town visiting on Sunday.

L. J. Burris and brother, of Linden Hall, visited at P. A. Leisters on Sunday.

Mrs. Susan Kohler and son, of Reedsville, were visiting in town Sunday.

Frank Moyer and family, of Centre Hall, were visiting at W. F. McKinley's on Sunday.

Simon Harper and son Harry, of Centre Hall, and a gentleman from Shamokin, were in the mountains fishing on Tuesday; Simon can catch the big fish.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses were issued during the past week: Henry M. Krebs and Ida Sauserman both of Pine Grove Mills.

The Best Remedy for Rheumatism.

From the Fairhaven (N. Y.) Register. Mr. James Rowland of this village, states that for twenty-five years his wife has been a sufferer from rheumatism. A few nights ago she was in such pain that she was nearly crazy. She sent Mr. Rowland for the doctor, but he had read of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and instead of going for the physician he went to the store and secured a bottle of it. His wife did not approve of Mr. Rowland's purchase at first but nevertheless applied the Balm thoroughly and in an hour's time was able to go to sleep. She now applies it whenever she feels an ache or a pain and finds that it always gives relief. He says that no medicine which she had used ever did her so much good. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by J. H. Ross, Linden Hall; S. M. Swartz, Tusseyville; Wm. Pealer, Spring Mills, and R. E. Bartholomew, Centre Hall.