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COURT PROCEEDINGS.

THE PENNA. R. R. WINS AN IMPORTANT SUIT.

A Non-Suit Granted by the Court in the Fox Case on the Grounds of Contributory Negligence.

The court convened Thursday morning last, at Bellefonte. The Goodman damage case reported in another column, was on trial. The jury assessed the damages, but the court reserved its decision as to whom should be assessed the amount awarded the estate. The case took up all Thursday, and on Friday forenoon a verdict was returned. The court submitted the amount of damages to the jury, also four questions to be answered in their findings. 1st. Whether Sheriff Condo was at Woodrow on March 6th, 1896, in official capacity to arrest Wm. R. Etlinger, suspected of killing Constable Barner, and whether the sheriff called upon the man to surrender to his posse. Answer in the affirmative.

2d. Whether the sheriff used every legitimate means to make the arrest, and had been exposed with his posse to deadly gun fire. In the affirmative.

3d. Whether it was necessary to burn the buildings to make the arrest. In the affirmative.

4th. Whether other means could have been resorted to than burning the buildings. In the negative.

Salt Lick Oil and Gas Company of Karthaus vs. S. A. Butler. This suit is brought to recover for traction engine, boiler, bit, ropes, lumber tools and machinery. The plaintiffs withdrew a juror and continued the case.

Mary T. Fox vs. Pa. R. R. Co. This suit is brought by the widow to recover from the defendant company for the killing of her husband Joseph Fox on November 13, 1897, on Race street, Bellefonte, Boro, on the siding leading into the Fuel and Supply Company's yard. After the plaintiff had produced all their testimony the defendant moved a compulsory non-suit, which was granted. The plaintiff at once obtained a rule on the defendant to show cause why the non-suit should not be taken off, which will be argued later.

Other suits for the second week of court were disposed of as follows:

D. H. Bean vs. D. T. Cowher and G. W. Cowher; continued.

Com. of Pa. ex-relations H. M. Goodman, administrator of etc., of Emma C. Goodman, dec'd. vs. John P. Condo, J. B. Heckman, Geo. Gentzel, Geo. W. Jackson, and M. L. Rishel; continued.

H. M. Goodman, administrator of etc., of Emma C. Goodman, dec'd. vs. Centre county; continued.

Com. of Pa., use of D. M. Leib, guardian now to the use of W. H. Mueser, guardian of Lydia Gregg, minor child of Lida P. Gregg, deceased vs. John Curtin and H. L. Bathurst, surviving Jas. B. Curtin, late of Centre county, dec'd; non-suit.

Wm. H. McCausland now for the use of Anna Richmond and Rachella Beal vs. L. Milton Wilson; continued.

Laura C. Mull, Julia L. Hale, Laura C. Mull, executrix and trustee under the last will and testament of John A. Mull, dec'd, Reuben H. Mull, Lawrence J. Mull, a minor by the said Reuben H. Mull, his next friend and Nathan H. Mull, a minor by the said Reuben H. Mull, his next friend vs. Jacob Walker; continued.

Man Killed at Snow Shoe. A cave-in at the Lehigh Coal company's mines at Snow Shoe Tuesday afternoon, resulted in the death of a Hungarian miner named Andrew Hanga. He was buried under several tons of rock and stone and was killed almost instantly. He leaves a wife and several small children.

Died at Bonneville. Arthur J. Grieb, a widely known and generally respected resident of Sugar valley, and a member of the firm of Grieb Bros., died at Bonneville Tuesday afternoon of last week, of typhoid fever. He was forty years old, and is survived by his wife and six children, four sons and two daughters.

Death of Agnes Mattern. Miss Agnes, eldest daughter of Rev. and Mrs. John A. Mattern, of the Danville district, died last Tuesday morning, of nervous prostration, after an illness of only eight hours. She was aged seventeen years. Her remains were brought to this county, and interred in the cemetery at Gray's church last Thursday.

Fair and Festival. The Christian and Festival Society of the Presbyterian church, at Spring Mills, will hold a fair and festival in the town hall, Saturday evening, Dec. 17th. Proceeds for the Boards of the church. All are cordially invited to attend.

Truth wears well. People have learned that De Witt's Little Early Risers are reliable little pills for regulating the bowels, curing constipation and sick head aches. They don't grip; for sale by Smith & Crawford.

Foster's Weather Outlook.

My last bulletin gave forecasts of the storm wave to cross the continent from 10th to 14th, and the next will reach the Pacific coast about 15th, cross the west of Rockies country by close of 16, great central valleys 17 to 19, eastern states 20th.

Warm wave will cross the west of Rockies country about 15th, great central valleys 17th, eastern states 19th. Cool wave will cross the west of Rockies country about 18th, great central valleys 20th, eastern states 22d.

Temperature of the week ending 8 a. m. December 23 will average above normal east of the Rockies and below west. Precipitation for the same period will be below normal east of the Rockies and above west.

A great fall of temperature will occur in the southern states from 16th to last of December and will be accompanied by heavy rains. In the northern states the fall in temperature will not be so great and will occur from 16th to 25th.

A great warm wave is expected to cross from the Rockies to the Atlantic from 13th to 22d and cool weather about the same time on the Pacific slope.

LATE NEWS.

Spanish troops are dying of hunger. Nine thousand are perishing of hunger on Madrid streets. Spain is without funds and owes Cuban soldiers 56,000,000 pesetas as back pay.

Seventy soldiers who were escorting Belgian traders, were massacred in Africa.

Bliss, Secretary of the Interior, may quit McKinley's cabinet.

Eight laborers who were shoveling snow to clear a track near Buffalo, were killed by an express train, on Tuesday.

Bedford schools have been closed on account of smallpox, and the Teachers' and Farmers' Institutes have been postponed.

Nine soldiers were killed by the explosion of a shell in a fort near Constantinople.

The President is making a trip through the South.

A Red Cross nurse says our soldiers are starving to death without care in the camp hospitals at Manila.

The Democrats have won at the Boston city election.

It is estimated 50,000 men will be required in Cuba to establish a safe government.

Quay is getting uneasy; he finds that his plans to delay the trial of his case are weakening his chances for election to the senate. Some of his stand-bys are deserting him.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses were issued during the past week:

Henry E. Bloom and Nora E. Osman, of Pine Grove Mills.

Chas. E. McClain, of Hubersburg, and Florence Harshbarger, of Walker twp.

Harry A. Tressler, of Nittany Hall, and Mary A. Stratten, of Rote, Pa.

Clayton E. Royer, and Minerva E. Hoy, of Benner twp.

Harvey E. Mark, of Penn Hall, and Martha E. Goodhart, Centre Hall.

Ellis Freeman and Carrie Gearhart, Philipsburg.

Geo. E. Bechdel, Blanchard, and Bessie B. Shay, Howard.

Francis Lather, of Decatur twp., Clearfield county, and Jane Rapsey, Rush twp.

Geo. Warren Sheesley, Coburn, and Sarah Jane Long, Millheim.

A Valuable Tree.

On the farm of Peter Menges, near Turbotville, Lycoming county, stands a solid oak tree measuring 23 feet 8 inches above the ground, and holds its thickness for forty-five feet without limbs. Twenty-two years ago Mr. Menges sold the tree to a railroad official for \$100 cash, the tree to be taken away within sixteen years. At the expiration of the time the same man paid \$25 for an extension of four years time. At the termination of this option Mr. Menges refused \$50 and the tree still stands, the property of the original owner.

Triplets Born.

Snyder county is bound to catch up in population. Recently triplets were born at the home of Gabriel Wenrich, several miles south of Selinsgrove, and the tots are attracting unusual attention.

Stack Blown Down.

Last Saturday afternoon's storm blew down the iron smoke stack of Bartholmew's mill, at the station. A horse close to the mill made a narrow escape from being struck by the stack.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. Sold by J. H. Ross, Linden Hall; S. M. Swartz, Tusseyville; F. A. Carson, Potters Mills; H. F. Rossman, Spring Mills.

STATE GRANGE.

Met This Week at Williamsport.—Large Attendance.

The annual meeting of the State Grange, began Tuesday, at Williamsport, to adjourn on Friday.

The daily sessions are held secret, with the exception of the public meeting on Tuesday evening.

Mr. Alexander Decker delivered the address of welcome on the part of the local granges, and the response by W. F. Hill, of Crawford county, lecturer of the State Grange. Mayor Mansel extended the welcome of the city to the visitors, replied to by State Forestry Commissioner Rothrock. Mrs. Helen Johnson, of Erie, spoke for the ladies of the Grange.

About 600 delegates are present. In connection with the Grange will be held the first annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Dairy Union, which will meet on the 12th and 13th. All the largest manufacturers of dairy apparatus east of the Mississippi have exhibits there.

The Apple as Medicine.

The apple is such a common fruit that few persons are familiar with its remarkably efficacious medicinal properties. Everybody ought to know that the very best thing he can do is to eat apples just before going to bed.

The apple is excellent brain food, because it has more phosphoric acid, in an easily digestible shape, than any other fruit known. It excites the action of the liver, promotes sound and healthy sleep, and thoroughly disinfects the mouth. It also agglutinates the surplus acids of the stomach, helps the kidney secretion and prevents calculus growth, while it obviates indigestion and is one of the best preventives of disease of the throat. Next to lemon and orange, it is also the best antidote for thirst and craving of persons addicted to the alcohol and opium habit.

Boys, Take Warning.

Boys with hats on back of their head and long hair hanging down over their foreheads and cigarettes and smutty words in their mouths are cheaper than an old worn out shoe, nobody wants them at any price. Men will not employ them and girls will not marry them. They are not worth their keeping to any one, and they will never be able to keep themselves. If any boy happens to read this description, let him take a look at himself and then do what his conscience tells him to do.

An Order Against Intoxicants.

There is considerable gossip among the railroad men at Harrisburg regarding an order prohibiting employes of the Pennsylvania railroad from entering saloons or bar rooms either while on or off duty. A similar order was issued some time ago to the employes of the Pittsburg & Lake Erie company. It is said the rules laid down will be somewhat modified and that the punishment for using intoxicants will be increased from a suspension to a discharge.

State Grange Meets.

The 26th annual convention of the State Grange commenced in Williamsport on Tuesday. Worthy Master L. Rhone is presiding. The business of the day was devoted to preliminary work. Worthy Master Rhone's report showed that three new granges had been organized during the past year with 48 charter members; four granges with 68 members had been reorganized, and 1400 persons had been initiated, making a total increase in membership of 1516.

Big Porkers.

Wm. Colyer, at the station, killed two hogs last week, which dressed 1013 pounds. The larger one weighing 533. Colyer always raises big hogs.

Big porkers are not as plenty this winter as three and four years ago, when farmers had to pull down their pig pens to get out their hogs for butchering. These pigs were about 15 months old.

Typhoid in Drinking Water.

The number of typhoid fever cases in Lewisburg has become rather alarming. While the number of fatal cases has been very small, yet there were two deaths within the last week. The physicians think its source is in the water supply, which is from the Susquehanna river.

An Important Question.

If your friends or neighbors are suffering from coughs, colds, sore throat, or any throat or lung disease (including consumption), ask them if they have ever used Otto's Cure. This famous German remedy is having a large sale here and is performing some wonderful cures of throat and lung diseases. No matter what other medicines have failed to do, try Otto's Cure. Large sizes 25c. and 50c. Sold by G. H. Long, Spring Mills.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

THE DEMOCRATS IN CONGRESS ARE HARMONIOUS.

No Sectional Quarrel in the Ranks.—The Republicans in a Sea of Trouble over the Philippines.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The Democrats of the House were entirely too smart for the busybodies who have been working so hard to make that adjourned Democratic caucus a cat and dog fight that would have resulted in encouraging faction and otherwise injuring the Democratic party. The caucus was held, and there was no fight at all. On the contrary, the meeting was entirely harmonious and not even any show of hard feelings was indulged in by anybody. According to the rule governing Democratic caucuses, no action could be taken upon anything except the resolution, offered at the caucus held last June, providing that an affirmative vote of two-thirds of a caucus should make caucus action binding upon the whole body, except in cases where individuals have pledged their word or been instructed by their conventions to the contrary. This resolution was adopted without opposition. There was no talk in the caucus about the party policy to be pursued at the present session.

The bill prepared by General Miles for the reorganization of the army, has been introduced in Congress, but that is about as far as it will ever get, as the Hull bill, prepared largely under the direction of Secretary Alger, is backed by the administration and by the Republican leaders in the House, and is, unless present plans are changed, to be put through the House before the Christmas recess. The Democrats are opposed to keeping the volunteers in service until the Army Reorganization Bill becomes a law, as proposed by the administration, but their protests will not, it is feared, change the program, because the desire to get the volunteers mustered out is counted upon to help get the votes needed to authorize the increase of the regular army to 100,000 men. The House Military Committee has favorably reported a resolution offered by Representative Hay, of Virginia, asking the Secretary of War to inform the House what towns in Cuba, Porto Rico, and the Philippines will have to be garrisoned by U. S. troops, the number of troops for each town and the number that will be required at home.

The Philippine problem is giving the Republicans no end of trouble. Gen. Grosvenor, of Ohio, is not a timid man in handling political questions, but he acknowledged himself at a loss what to do with this one when he said, after discussing several of the propositions that have been made to get rid of the islands: "For my part, I wish the Philippines were in the bottom of the sea." Mr. McKinley has allowed it to become known to his party leaders that he has no ambition to lead in a Philippine policy, but will be perfectly satisfied to follow any policy that promises to be in accord with public sentiment, with preference that it should be one that will enable us to get rid of the Philippines, if it be possible to do so without laying this country open to the charge of trafficking in human liberty, for a profit, and without causing war. There is reason for saying that if it had to be done over again, Mr. McKinley would not demand possession of the Philippines, and would save the \$20,000,000 which we must pay Spain for something we do not know what to do with. But that sort of hind sight doesn't help the situation one bit.

The Naval clique that has been trying to keep Lieut. Hobson from receiving attention and deserved glory, ever since his return from a Spanish prison, has succeeded in getting him ordered out of the country for an indefinite period. It was discovered that Hobson was just the man needed to superintend the repairs on the Spanish gun boats, sunk by Dewey in Manila bay, which have been raised and sent to Hong Kong, under a contract made by Dewey. Hobson tried to get a short leave of absence to attend to some private matters, before going so far away, but it was refused him and he was given peremptory orders to leave for Hong Kong on the steamer that sails from San Francisco, Christmas eve.

The proposition, that England and the U. S. jointly build and control the Nicaragua Canal, has not met with any marked favor in Congress. The Morgan Bill, by which the U. S. will own a controlling interest in the Company which will build the Canal, guaranteeing therefor \$100,000,000 of the Company's bonds, to be issued at the discretion of the President, is now before the Senate, with the right of way. Senator Morgan, its author, says it will pass by a big majority. Democrats generally would prefer that

the Canal be built directly by this government and owned by it, but it is not regarded as a party question, and each Democratic Senator will vote in accordance with his individual views. What the House will do with this bill will depend largely upon the attitude of the administration towards it—an attitude not yet clearly defined, although Mr. McKinley is committed in favor of building the Canal.

Two resolutions for Congressional investigation of the war, have been offered, one by Senator Vest, and the other by Representative Sulzer, but there is little probability that either will be adopted.

A Plea to Delinquents.

The editor of a Mississippi paper makes the following plea to his delinquent subscriber: "Fish down in your pockets and dig up the dust; the editor is hungry and paper 'bout to bust. We've trusted you for several months and did it with a smile, so just return the compliment and trust to us awhile. Our wife she needs some stockings, and baby needs a dress; Jimmie needs some britches and so does Kate and Bess; Bud is on the hog train, and Peggy sick with grief and, good gosh Almighty, can't you bring a man relief? Shell out the nickles and dig up the dimes; turn 'em loose and whistle and we'll have better times; there'll be fewer patches on the bosom of our pants, and we'll make a better paper if we get half a chance. Don't give us that old story, long gone to seed, 'bout taking more papers than the family want to read, but help feed the printer and he'll help your town to grow, and you'll escape the sulphur in the regions down below."

Married Wednesday.

Yesterday, Wednesday, at noon, Miss Martha, only daughter of Mrs. Mary Goodhart, of this place, was united in marriage to Mr. Harvey Mark, of Penn Hall. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's mother, Rev. S. H. Eisenberg officiating, and was witnessed by the friends and relatives of the bride and groom. After the ceremony an elaborate dinner was served. The newly wedded couple departed on the 3:30 train west, on a wedding tour, and will not return for a week or ten days. The bride has many friends in this place, who join in wishing her many years of happy married life.

Here is a Chance Girls.

There is a man in Lane, Kansas, who wants a wife. He also believes in advertising, which shows that he is up to date. In order to secure the article he wants, in the shortest possible space of time, he has inserted in his home paper the following notice: "A good girl wanted for a wife I am 25 years old have blue eyes I am worth in real estate about 2000 dollars anybody excepting this offer will please direct to H. B. Lockwood, Lane, Kas." Up to the last accounts the above had brought no response. There is no geographical limit, and competition is open to the world.

Small Pox in Bedford.

The town of Bedford with a population of 2800, is reported to have 200 cases of small pox. Some people were going about the town with scabs on them and not knowing they had small pox. Dr. W. B. Atkinson, of Philadelphia, Inspector of the State Board of Health, was in Bedford diagnosing the disease that prevails from one end of the town to the other.

The Bedford physicians disagree, some pronouncing it to be chicken pox and others a harmless skin disease. Dr. Atkinson, after a thorough examination, said it is genuine small-pox.

FUSION.

A large percentage of Democratic members of the legislature met at Harrisburg, yesterday. Their action in favor of fusing with reform Republicans to defeat the Quay machine, was harmonious. Such a fusion, if complete, will result to the good of the people. The neck of the plundering machine will be broken, and Honest Government will be inaugurated.

Representative Foster was present. Our other member, Mr. Wetzel, also favors the movement, likewise senator Heinle.

Pains in the chest when a person has cold indicate a tendency toward pneumonia. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on to the chest over the seat of pain will promptly relieve the pain and prevent the threatened attack of pneumonia. This same treatment will cure a lame back in a few hours. Sold by J. H. Ross, Linden Hall; S. M. Swartz, Tusseyville; F. A. Carson, Potters Mills; H. F. Rossman, Spring Mills.

A pair of slippers will make a most acceptable Christmas present. Mingle, Bellefonte, can supply your wants. He has a fine line in stock.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Callings of More than Ordinary Interest from Everywhere.

Sleighing Echoes.

Jingle, jingle, go the bells,
Go the bells,
As the sleighs skip over the snow,
Skip over the snow.

Livelier, swifter, on we go,
On we go,
And we joke and laugh and sing,
And laugh and sing,
As the bells keep jingling,
Keep jingling.

Snug and warm we're in our wraps,
Warm in our wraps,
The envy of all other folks,
Of all other folks,
Minus sleigh, bells and jokes,
Bells and jokes.

The fleecy snow and bracing air,
And bracing air,
Lend us pleasure, drown all care,
Drown all care.

On loveliest day or brightest night,
Or brightest night,
For a wooing or sweet lark,
Or sweet lark;

In cozy sleigh o'er sparkling snow,
O'er sparkling snow,
Its fun and frolic, you'll not know,
You'll not know,
Until you try it, Oh so charming!
Oh, so charming!

Jingle, jingle, sing the bells,
Sing the bells,
As the sleighs speed o'er the snow;
Speed o'er the snow.

Ah! we're upset, too swift a run,
Too swift a run,
Yet under all, it's grandest fun,
It's grandest fun.

Thermometer this morning, 5 above zero. Coldest so far.

Capt. G. M. Boal now handles the Centre Hall mails.

The cold snap, which set in last week, was an ice maker.

Pork keeps selling at from 4c to 4 1/2c, dressed. Beef is 6c by the side.

The public sales this spring promise to be plenty from present outlook.

With two rival telephone lines in this territory, there is prospect for cheaper service.

Sam Runkel's continental bells and fine span, keep announcing that their's good sleighing.

Pensions were granted to Uriah Stover, Houserville, \$8. John A. Yeager, Moshannon, \$6 to \$8.

Fresh sausages, buckwheat cakes and the Quay case, are all the go now in the country districts.

J. A. Gramley, of Rebersburg, will take charge of a hotel in Millinburg, about first of next month.

Sunday evening Josiah Johnson died at Hecla Park, aged 82 years; old age was the cause of his end.

Rev. Rarick's appointments, Sunday Dec. 18: At Centre Hall, 7 p. m.; St. Johns, 2 p. m.; Georges valley 10 a. m.

Warren Cooper, a son of John Cooper, of Sugar valley, died Wednesday of last week, of Brights disease, aged 16 years.

Dr. Humphreys' "77": "77" knocks out the Grip. "77" breaks up Colds. "77" stops a Cough. For sale by all druggists, 25c.

Arthur J. Grieb, of Sugar valley, died at Booneville, on 6, of typhoid fever, aged 40 years; leaves a wife, four sons and two daughters.

Last week was a good ice maker; H. A. Decker, on the mountain farm, above town, showed us a sample from his pond over six inches in thickness.

We have received the Philadelphia Record Almanac for 1899. It is a valuable work for the information and always useful statistics it contains in convenient form.

A lady in an adjoining town who swallowed a penny recently called on a doctor, who not only got the penny, but made her "cough up" two dollars besides.

Superintendent Schaffer says that in the first six counties of Pennsylvania, alphabetically considered, fifty school teachers receive less salary than the average cost of keeping a pauper.

After resting eleven years in its grave in the cemetery of this place, the body of Charles Horner was exhumed last week and buried beside that of his father, Wm. Horner.

Last week Centre Hall and vicinity enjoyed pretty fair sleighing which lasted until Monday when there was more snow to keep it up. Across the mountain and around Bellefonte, folks were not so highly favored. In the east end of the valley sleighing, last week, was not quite as good as we had up this way. Two inches of snow on Monday afternoon and evening gave sleighing a new lease and kept the merry bells a-jingling.

To marry his stepmother, is what William White, aged 34, of Lancaster, means to do, having left a few evenings ago with Emma White, or Knott, aged 32, for Camden, N. J., to be married. A marriage license was refused them at Lancaster because the woman is White's stepmother, having been divorced from his father, two months ago. She was married nine years ago to the elder White.