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WANT TO DODGE TAXES.

CENTRE HALL, PA., THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 1905.

INCIDENTS OF 1873.

The Mann Edge Tool Company in Mill Hall and the borough authorities Local Items Taken from the Centre Re. John G. Platt Arrested in Philipsburg are at variance over the tax imposed upon the company's axe plant. The company has shut down the large engines, and declare that hereafter no more work will be done at the plant than can be accomplished by using a water wheel that is now being installed. In the meantime the company is township. making an effort to get out of the borough and into Lamar township. There are two sides to the question, Mill Hall undoubtedly is anxious to have the axe works in operation, but Centre Hall, April 1st. can see no reason why the wealthy, prospering concern should not bear its doubt is collecting tax on a valuation tice of medicine. far less than the real value of the works. It looks reasonable to an uninterested party that a concern like Mingle from Aaronsburg to Centre when some of the members of the firm the Mann Edge Tool Company should Hall; John N. Neff to Mifflin county. became suspicious and placed experts pay its full quoto of local tax.

But-on the other hand, The Mann Edge Tool Company is wealthy; it has influence ; it employs large numbers of men; it is a company large enough and strong enough to dictate; it is after dollars, not justice.

The Mill Hall authorities are in a earns his daily bread at the forges the company that employs him, or the commodating gentleman. borough will lose its industry.

It such contests money wins. The as well give in, at once, to wealth.

Senator Cullom, of Illinois, is much exercised over the prospect of a deficit, and declares that the way to prevent one is to keep down the Government expenditures. The idea of increasing taxation and specially of reimposing stamp taxes does not appeal to him. In view of the revelations of corruption and inefficiency in the various Federal departments now being made business of a profitable character, George M. Boal, treasurer. which in numerous cases is the result of their connection with the Govern- this valley, left for Virginia, traveling September 22. The special train will ment. This would argue that the per wagon.

porter of Interest to 1905 Readers. [Note : The spelling of proper names is the same

as found in the files of the Reporter.] FEBRUARY 27-Four families are about to leave for Virginia; they are those of George Zeigler and William Zeigler, of Brush Valley ; George Jamison and Andrew Smith, of Gregg

of a new institution to be opened at

of Millheim, intends settling down at firm which has branch houses in share of the burden of expense, and no Edwardsburg, Michigan, in the prac- Bellefonte, Clearfield, Du Bois and

> plates moving to Illinois; Wm. B. management until several months ago, We are informed that George Foote on the books.

takes charge of the "Berichter" this Mr. Platt has always led an exemweek. He is a practical printer from plary life and lived modestly with his Union county.

ny went into operation in this place worker in the Young Men's Christian

of James A. Beaver, John Harris, J. the Center & Clearfield Electric Raildilemma. Either the poor man who D. Shugert, John Hoffer and Peter way in the first year of its existence. Hoffer. The cashier, Wm. B. Mingle, The charge of embezzlement is based must be taxed extra for the benefit of will be found to be an obliging and ac-

When the building of the road from so said to be involved. The prosecu-Millheim to the Forks [Coburn] was tion is the outcome of several real esto a railroad bed with the hope that pany. the railroad company would lay rails on it, and connect Millheim with the

Lewisburg branch. Miss Lucy Deininger opened a new millinery store in Centre Hall and in- conducted tour to visit the Pacific be tried. Frauds under the Indian inclinations that the Secretary stands serted her first adv. in the Reporter. Samuel Working sold his house to Park, Portland (for the Lewis and with a lot of officials under indict- in the eyes of the country. John Miller, of Spring Mills, who in- Clark Exposition), and the beautiful ment and a lot of prominent Repub- There must be a change in the head tends moving to this place.

it would seem that it ought to be pos- organized at Mannor [Whiskey Hol- delphia, Baltimore, Washington, and trail of fraud winding in and around placing the republican party from its and one which Bellefonte people fresible to cut down the appropriations low] under the most favorable au- other cities on the Pennsylvania Rail- the department of agriculture ! by many millions. Many of the Gov. spices. Leonard Rhone is superin- road Saturday, September 2, by a speernment employes appear to have tendent; Mr. Dubbs, assistant super- cial train of high-grade Pullman equip- control of the federal government for proper, thorough cleaning out of every pleaty of time to devote to outside intendent; Ephraim Keller, librarian; ment. The itinerary will cover a

force of Federal employes could be Rev. P. S. Fisher died at his home route, except during the five and one-

FIRM ACCUSES_ITS FOUNDER.

Charged with Embezzling Funds of Platt-Barber Company.

John G Platt was arrested at Philipsburg on a charge of embezzling funds while secretary and treasurer of the Platt-Barber Company, the firm being the prosecutor.

When Platt was taken before the MARCH 20 - "The Penns Valley ed \$2000 bail for his appearance at Banking Company " will be the name court in Bellefonte on the fourth Monday of August.

Platt was the founder of the Platt-APRIL 3-Dr. John F. Alexander, Barber Company, a wholesale grocery Punxsutawney. As secretary and Alexander Shannon, Esq., contem- treasurer he had sole control of the

The Penns Valley Banking Compa- Presbyterian Church and an active little family. He is a member of the on the 1st inst. The firm is composed Association. He was also president of

> a character to condemn, in the eyes of tration of the government at Washingon Platt's alleged misappropriation of that administration. a \$5000 note, but other amounts are al-What is the indictment?

To Yellowstone Park, Etc.

Coast, including the Yellowstone bureau and the public lands bureau, condemned-at least for inefficiencyresorts among the Colorado Rockies, lican politicians in the same boat, of the agricultural department. There from Bellefonte drove to Centre Hall William Stump, an old citizen of ing the East on the homeward journey be used by the party over the entire

considerably reduced if they were all in Northampton county. Twenty half days in the Yellowstone Park,

CLEAN THE RASCALS OUT.

Reporter,

What a pretty state of affairs is that this corruption-have been developed in the United States department of and unearthed. The responsibility agriculture ! clearly rests with the officials into

Crookedness in the shape of deals whose hands have been given the adbetween employes and cotton gam- ministration of the country's affairs. blers; crookedness in the doctoring of There is nothing ephemeral in this official reports, which are worse than indictment against the Republican valueless if not absolutely accurate; party. It does not consist of mere the sale of civil service examination generalization, without specific charge papers by trusted employes; charges or specific proof. There are honest of graft on the part of one bureau Republicans, of course ; there are honchief, and perhaps others. est Republican officials. But the reve-

The trail of corruption and graft- lations of the past two years-definite, which under the Republican adminis- specific, unquestioned revelationstration has been blazed across the post- have been of a character to mark the office department, the Indian bureau, whole administration as unworthy the the public lands bureau and other di- confidence of the people. visions of the interior department-is It is because of these definite devel-

now seen across the department of opments that the voice of criticism is agriculture.

Not general, ephemeral charges Washington and a change demanded. these-but specific charges and dam- The call is not based upon mere thirst aging developments. for office or mere petty partizanship.

When the Reporter raises its voice There is here no attempt to make a n criticism of the Republican admin- mountain out of a mole-hill; no atistration or the Republican party, it is tempt to make a mountain out of not through any spirit of petty jeal- nothing at all; but it is an indictment ousy or petty partizanship, but be- in which there are presented the cause the developments under the Re- definite, specific counts. publican administration have been of A change is needed in the adminis-

the country, the party responsible for ton and nowhere, apparently, is it more needed than in the department

Two Republican United States sen- said concerning the head of that de- ous. Mill Hall borough authorities might first agitated there were many who tate transactions in which Platt was ators already convicted by the federal partment, it is a fact that under this Mrs. J. Emory Hoy, of Philadelwished the road to be graded similar supposed to have acted for the com- courts, and at least one Republican administration rascality has been ram- phis, arrived in Centre Hall Thursday member of the house under indictment pant. Nobody charges Secretary Wil-

Postoffice department officiale wearing under his administration the crooks Mrs. W. B. Mingle, The Pennsylvania Railroad Compa- stripes because of conviction of crook- and grafters have been permitted such

discredited control. The Republican party has been in The only practical way to insure the

more than eight years. During that department is by putting in power the ation, and Miss Ethel J. Grazier, period of three weeks, the party reach- time these frauds of various kinds-all democratic party.

DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES ARE POPULAR.

There can be no doubt about the cratic ideas. He is now being compopularity of democratic principles. mended for enforcing the criminal Kansas, and is now operating a hay required to do a proper day's work in years previous he served a charge in when the fine hotels now in service in That those principles are growing in law against the Beef trust. The demo- baler. The price received by him per the Great Preserve will be utilized. popularity is not open to question. cratic platform demands it ; the re- ton is \$1.40, which ought to make the effected by such a course a proper and Daniel Musser, of Millheim, sold a The train will be side-tracked in Port-Ask any admirer of President Roose-publican platform is silent on the sub-business profitable. judicious revision of the tariff would tract of timberland, in Poe Valley, for land for occupancy there, and all velt why he is popular and you will ject. Would he not be more popular meals en route, except in the Yellow- find that it is due to his advocacy, or if he enforced the criminal law against flinburg, is spending his vacation in JUNE 15-The Bellefonte Car Works, stone Park and in Denver, will be supposed advocacy, of principles and all the trusts? That would be demo- North Dakota with a brother. On his policies that are democratic. Nothing cratic. appointment in the harvests. Of Bush; directors, George C. Wilkins, essary expenses for twenty-one days, during his first administration than by being spasmodically and sporadibrought Mr. Roosevelt more applause If a president can achieve popularity course, corn might be frost-bitten, and S. Austin Brew, Edward Blanchard \$200 from all points on the Pennsylvaall the Northern wheat is not safe and and John Strike ; secretary and treas- nia Railroad except Pittsburgh, from strike. And how did he settle it? By popularity of a president consistently arbitration. Now, the democratic and persistently democratic? platforms of 1896 and 1900 demanded Governor La Follette has made himmuch fear of serious reverses. Hence iams, pastor of the Boalsburg Luther- Eastern Passenger Agent, 263 Fifth forms were silent on the subject. But cating things which are democratic arbitration while the republican plat- self invincible in Wisconsin by advobusiness is proceeding with the utmost an church, have resigned. The former Avenue, New York ; Hugh Hasson, he not only waited until there was The primary system is not only demo-Jr., Passenger Agent Baltimore Dis- great suffering and loss before propos- cratic in principle, but it was adopted plenty of money. A dozen Western The Citizens' Band was organized in trict, Baltimore, Md.; B. M. New- ing arbitration, but he did nothing by the democratic party in the south states promise 370,000,000 bushels more Boalsburg. Israel Young is the bold, Passenger Agent Southeastern afterward to secure a permanent arbi- before it began to spread in the north.

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HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

The Free Library, Grange Arcadia, will be open to the public Saturday evening from 7 to 8 o'clock.

The Lutheran Sunday school of Madisonburg, will hold a festival in Detrich's grove Saturday evening.

Misses Mildred and Mary Grim, of Bellefonte, are spending the week with the Misses Geiss, in Centre Hall. The Central Pennsylvania District Firemen's Convention will be held in Philipsburg, Thursday and Friday, 24th and 25th inst.

William Bitner, of Tusseyville, was in Mifflinburg recently to visit the raised against Republican control at family of John Badger.

> Mrs. Phoebe Yearick, the latter part of last week, returned from a few weeks' visit among friends in New Berlin.

Mrs. Elizabeth Searfoss and her granddaughter, Miss Ethel Shetter, of York, are the guests of the former s sister, Mrs. W. H. Meyer, in Centre Hall.

The Millheim Journal states that John Road was stricken with paralysis at his home on North street Sunof agriculture. Whatever else may be day. His condition at present is seri-

afternoon, and will spend her usual for conspiracy against the government, son with personal wrongdoing; but vacation with her parents, Mr. and

The postoffices of Lochiel and Buffany has arranged a special personally- edness; other postoffice officials yet to license to follow their own criminal lo Roads, Union county, have been closed owing to a rural mail route having been established and serving that territory from Lewisburg.

A large number of young people MAY 10-A new Sabbath-school was This tour will leave New York, Phila- And now, on top of these things, the should be an entirely new deal dis- Sunday. It is a most delightful drive, quently take advantage of.

Harry Allen Leitzell, manager of the State College Cooperative Associdaughter of Mr. and Clarke Grazier, of Huntingdon Furnace, will be married August 16th.

J. A. Strunk has changed his residence from Iola, Kansas, to Geneva,

deficiency.

There is little danger now of any dis- in Bellefonte. President, Col. D. G. cotton still has some dangers to face. urer, E. M. Blanchard. Bu: when the crops are in prime con- Ray. Seifert, pastor of the Lutheran

confidence that the farmers will have accepted a call in Somerset county. of corn, and 114,000,000 bushels more of leader.

wheat than last year, and 1904 was a Rev. D. H. Leitzell has accepted a officials and crop statisticians of the Rev. A. A. Kerlin is supplying a states are almost unanimous in pre- charge in Stone Valley. dicting an uncommonly fine year for JULY 10-June 30th an act of conagriculture. The wheat crop will not gress made the postage on weekly reach the figures of 1901, but it may be newspapers five cents per quarter, or the second largest crop in our list, and twenty cents per year, whether mailed world's markets is such that prices are on a daily was \$1.40. Payment was good and are expected to remain so. made by the subscriber at the post-

interested in the management of small girls will not be so prone to leave the Margaret Shaffer, of Madisonburg, during the day. farm. Of course they won't.

M. Witte says the Russians do not ter township . . . April 24, Jeremiah consider the Japanese "a truly re- Stump, of Centre Hall, and Miss Elizdoubtable enemy." It would be inter- abeth Zerfase, of Haines township. licked.

East is said to be heavy.

The agricultural department is by this time in possession of material for a suplementary bulletin on grafting.

If a clock didn't strike once in a dollars per thousand feet, and in consewhile it wouldn't know it was work- quence of this fact the cost of building.

To mind your own business is triumph of mind over matter.

Even a lean man may be puffed up

with conceit.

capitalized at \$100,000, was organized served in the special dining car.

Round-trip tickets, covering all necwhich the rate will be \$195.

For itineraries and further informadition at this late date there is not church at Rebersburg, and Rev. Will. tion apply to ticket agents ; C. Studds,

Big Picnic at Balleyville.

Saturday, August 5th, the Presbyterians of Baileyville held au immense office where he received the paper. and papers in the library, a horse and both of Spring township . . . Febru- fully 3000 people were scattered over rubber-tired buggy down at the barn, ary 16, G. W. Stover, Jr., and Miss the grounds when the picnic was at and with every boy and girl personally Maggie E. Harper, both of Millheim. its height. The proceeds were for the

. . . February 23, Jesse Long and repairs of the Presbyterian church at enterprises of their own, an occasional Miss Margaret Corman, both of Gregg Baileyville and they must have realholiday for them when they have township. . . February 20, Calvin F. ized a large sum as over one hundred worked faithfully, and the boys and Yearick, of Jacksonville, and Miss gallons of ice cream alone were sold

> . . March 20, William Emerick, of Centre Hall, and Mrs. Curray, of Pot-The Tenant Farmer and the Grange. On the above subject The Farmers' Friend remarks :

Tenant farmers by joining the esting to know what the Russians . . . April 7, John C. Rote, of Aarons. Grange will greatly improve their would consider being effectually burg, and Miss Mattie A. Boalick, of chances to secure good farms to till, as ty-seven quarts. That's making good Company, presenting a one-act farce, innovation in the rural districts. The association with the Grange broadens wages. Spring township . . . June 10, George

L. Lee and Miss Nannie Kemp, both his knowledge of practical farm opera- The properties of G. W. Tate, near The Lewis and Clark exposition at of Centre Hill. [In the next issue of tions, and those who have farms to the Bellefonte steam heating plant, bears, monkeys and dogs; The Everett next year. Portland seems to be a success. The the Reporter, Mr. Lee asks the Re- rent carefully note and often inquire were recently purchased by A. C. Minmillion mark in attendance has been porter to say that the marriage never as to what interest an applicant takes gle, who is having the same repaired. passed, and the travel from the Far took place. In those days it was not in farm operations and his associations Mr. Mingle owns a number of good uncommon for the joker to send mar- with farmers' organizations, as it is properties in Bellefonte.

riage notices to newspapers.]

Centre Reporter \$1.00 a year.

the contracts.

Lumber Advancing in Price,

price of lumber has been increased two

The announcement is made that the manage and supervise a farm.

ings will be increased from now on. of Buffalo, Arkansas, and Miss Helen This will mean hundreds of dollars ex- B. Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Denius, of Bellefonte, were in town The Democratic State Convention who frequent the grounds to see to it tra for those who intend to build Mrs. John I. Thompson, took place Sunday, guests of Miss Edna Murray. will reconvene in Harrisburg, Wed- that in the future no damage, great or homes, and who have not yet awarded Wednesday. Mr. Sellers is a mining The former is a Bell telephone opera- nesday, August 16, at 12 o'clock noon, small, 14 done to the buildings, and from Columbia College, 1904.

District, Washington, D. C. ; Thos. E. tration board for the prevention of Governor La Follette is democratic on Watt, Passenger Agent Western Dis- strikes. If he won popularity by a the railroad question also. famous year for the farmers. Railroad call to Currisville, Clarion county. trict, Pittsburgh, Pa.; or address Geo. small application of a democratic Governor Cummings has strength-

W. Boyd, General Passenger Agent, policy, would he not have won more ened himself by showing democratic popularity if he had urged the estab- symptons, but he lacks La Follette's lishment of a permanent arbitration moral courage. When republicans can board? build up a following by adopting dem-

He again won popularity by recom- ocratic ideas let no democrat falter in mending railroad regulation. The the fight.

corn is likely to beat all records. In to a point in or outside of the county picnic in the beautiful grove at that democratic platform demanded that, We need more men in all the parties dollars or more to furnish a play spite of our abundance the state of the in which it was printed. The postage place. Every year an outing of this but the republican platform was silent who will dare to espouse democratic ground for the children. Centre Hall kind is held at Baileyville under the on the subject. The severest criticism principles. There is not a northern could furnish such a pleasure ground auspices of some church or organiza- has come from the shielding of Morton state but needs strong and aggressive at little or no expense by beautifying tion, and it is always a success, people -- that was not democratic. He is advocates of democratic principles and Public School Park. The location is With the telephone in the house, a Married-February 18, W. Frank attending from far and near. This strong when he is democratic and policies. They are and must be the central and it could be made an ideal mail box down by the gate, good books Weaver and Miss Mary Jane Gettig, year was no exception to the rule, as weak when he departs from demo-

served in the Reformed church, Au- Shirk, both of Oak Hall, were married gust 20.

LOCALS.

will be amply prepared to furnish pro- evening, August 6. visions for those who attend the Odd Fellows reunion at Centre Hall, Aug-

John Bedlyon, of Colyer, holds the blue ribbon as a huckleberry picker. In less than two days he picked nine-

Company.

return trip, Rev. McConnell will stop with his son Luther, a student at Wittenburg College, Springfield, Ohio. Messrs. Witmer, James and Ciyde Smith, sous of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Smith, of Centre Hall, were home over Sunday, this being the first time in several years that the whole family sat around the "board." The former was accompanied by his wife and two little sons.

Some miscreants broke into the baggage room at the Pennsylvania station at Bellefonte and stole a telescope belonging to Mrs. W. H. Ott and a suit case the property of a barber named Fisher from Huntingdon. The suit case was later found at Nittany furnace on the cinder heap partially destroyed by fire.

Mifflinburg is spending a thousand play ground and park. Few towns have such an opportunity, those that do have take advantage of it, Centre

Messrs. George Dale and son John S. at the Presbyterian manse, by Rev. Dale, of near Lemont, were in Centre The local Rebekah lodge, I. O. O. F., W. H. Schuyler, Ph. D., Sunday Hall Friday of last week and favored the Reporter with a call. The Dales are greatly interested in rural telephones, and took occasion to discuss This week at Keith's Chestnut Street the subject with the writer. The rural Theatre, Philadelphia, will be the telephone is a convenience, where first appearance in that theatre of availed of in rural localities, next to

Four, two ladies and two gentlemen, The managers of Grange Park kinds presenting a novel and sensational ly permit the boys to use their grounds equilibristic and acrobatic specialty, for sports, and in return the boys direct from Europe; Kennedy and should make every effort to protect evident to them that a farmer taking William Otto, a carpenter and for- Rooney, in "The Happy Medium"; the property. The accidental fire in in farm affairs by association with the mer resident of Millheim, was serious- Stinson and Merton, the popular ec- one of the buildings, one day last Grange is an evidence of his fitness to ly injured by being struck across the centric comedy couple ; Young Ameri- week, might have been a source of exback by a large piece of timber, while can Quintette, Herbert Brooks, Alf pense to the association, and would be working a jackscrew. He has been Holt, Viola Staley, Goetz and Nelson, sufficient cause to prohibit the use of the park for a play ground. But they have not issued such orders, but at the same time it might be well for those engineer and attended Pennsylvania tor, and the latter is a stenographer in for the purpose of nominating one this in the privilege that will only State College two years, and graduated the office of the Potter-Hoy Hardware candidate for Judge of the margreme be further related wh - it is cur-| Lailed.

Sellers-Thompson.

The marriage of George M. Sellers, that he will ultimately recover entirely.

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improving slowly, and it is thought Mooney and Holbein, etc. Misses Jennie Irvin and Florence

Court.

Kern-Shirk Harvest Home services will be ob- William B. Kern and Miss Tamer Hall excepted.

Keith's Theatre.

Rudolph Horsky, Leona Bergere & the mail service, and will be the next entitled, "He, She and He "; Frank matter is under discussion in the Bush, the inimitable story teller. County Grange, and the discussion Bring the children to see Volpi's will no doubt bear its fruits within the

Democratic State Convention,