

FEBRUARY COURT.

Brief Account of February Court—No Cases of Special Interest.

Wednesday morning court convened. Com. vs. Albert George, indicted for setting fire to woods, prosecutor, S. Peck. According to the Commonwealth's testimony the prosecutor was driving over an unfrequented road in Rush township on October 15, 1908, and saw the defendant in a stooping position alongside the road and a blaze start up under his hand. A number of places through the mountain were fired on that day and considerable land burnt over. The defendant's statements are that he is a peddler, his home being at Houtzdale, and that he had spent the previous night at a mining camp, and was hurrying towards Osceola to take the train to go to Houtzdale, when he met the prosecutor and he stepped to the side of the road and that the prosecutor's team scared at his pack, and that he started no fire, had no matches and never carried them. That he didn't try to put out the fire on account of being in a hurry to reach the train. Verdict in favor of the defendant, and the prosecutor pay the costs.

The grand jury reported that they had passed on twelve bills of indictment and found them all true bills. That they had inspected the public buildings, and found the plumbing throughout the jail and residence in bad condition, and suggest that plumbers be employed to put same in sanitary condition, and that the plastering in the jail be repaired and new floor be put in between kitchen and jail, and new roof on porch leading to jail yard, and that jail be repainted on east side, and recommended that a 32 candle power light be placed on the front entrance and a similar light leading to the office, also that the kitchen range be inspected and placed in good condition or a new one purchased, and that the fence around the jail garden be repaired; also that the walk between the jail and court house be repaired, and that three new chairs be purchased for the auditor's office, and that the treasurer's office be painted and papered.

Court adjourned on Wednesday afternoon until Monday morning.

Court convened Monday morning at ten o'clock, and after hearing a few motions and petitions the following cases were disposed of for this term:

J. W. Neff vs. Poor Overage of Snow Shoe twp., continued.

Henry T. Zeroy vs. L. E. and A. S. Stover, continued under terms of settlement.

Com. of Pa., ex rel, Morris A. Burkholder vs. H. H. Harsbarger, Jennie R. Hastings and Ross A. Hickok, admrs. o. etc of D. H. Hastings, decd., and H. H. Harsbarger, admr. of R. L. Darrt, decd., continued.

John W. Getz vs. College Hardware Co., a copartnership, continued.

Isajah Davis, J. S. Pifer and James D. Steele vs. M. D. Kelley, H. P. Kelley, Matthew Shaddock and Samuel Emerick, continued.

Peter Mendie vs. R. G. H. Hayes, settled.

R. J. Hoffman vs. Ettie Hoffman, divorce, continued.

C. M. Bower, admr. of etc of John Fetzer, decd., now use of Chestie A. Harper and Jared Harper, exs. of the last will and testament of Wm. Harper, decd., vs. Wm. N. Brown, admr. of etc. of George Brown, decd. Verdict in favor of plaintiff for \$821.75.

Com. of Pa., ex rel, Ammon R. Burkholder vs. Jennie R. Hastings and Rev. A. Hickok, admrs. of etc of D. H. Hastings, decd. This case grows out of the appointment of H. H. Harsbarger as guardian for the plaintiff by the Orphans' Court of Centre county, who was required to give a bond in the sum of \$12,500 as guardian for the plaintiff and two others, who gave his bond in said sum with D. H. Hastings and C. M. Bower as sureties. Verdict in favor of plaintiff in the penal sum of \$12,500; damages or real debt \$3822.57.

Same vs. John J. Bower and Ellen E. Bower, admrs. of etc. of C. M. Bower, decd.; verdict in the same amount as in the preceding case.

Com. of Pa., ex rel, Harry F. Burkholder vs. D. H. Hastings' admrs.; verdict in the penal sum of \$12,500, damages or real debt \$2378.50.

Same vs. C. M. Bower's admrs., verdict the same as in the case immediately preceding.

T. R. Harter vs. Nathan Hough, Roy M. Hough, Oscar Hough and Elmer Hough, being an action in trespass to recover damages for the cutting of timber. This trial was taken up Monday afternoon and the case was still on trial Tuesday evening.

"Yama." Seats may be secured for "Yama," which Alfred E. Aarons will present at the Garman opera house, Bellefonte, on March 9th, at that place, with J. Clarence Harvey in the principal comedy role. "Yama" is Mr. Aarons' latest musical offering in the musical comedy line, and for a bright, crisp, breezy show with lots of catchy songs, lively dancers and pretty girls, he has excelled his former presentations, "His Honor, the Mayor," "Dolly Varden," etc. One of the principal features of "Yama" is the dancing of Mr. Aarons' Original Dancing Dolls, which he imported from England especially for his musical shows.

DEATHS.

MRS. MARY VONADA.

Thursday evening of last week, Mrs. Mary Vonada died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. D. G. Mingle, two miles north of Woodward. Interment was made Monday, Rev. C. F. Garrett, of the United Evangelical church officiating.

Mrs. Vonada was born January 9, 1822, in Berks county. Her husband was Philip Vonada, of Woodward, deceased. She was the mother of nine children, two of whom—Rebecca Jane and Mrs. Sarah Wise—are dead. The surviving children are: Mrs. T. W. Hosterman, Coburn; George, near Madisonburg; Mrs. William Boob, near Lewisburg; Miss Catharine, an invalid, who lived with her mother all the time; Mrs. D. G. Mingle, near Woodward; William W., Sober, and Mrs. Thomas Vonada, near Woodward. There also survives forty-five grandchildren, ninety-two great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

SQUIRE M. B. HERRING.

After an illness of some weeks, Squire M. B. Herring, of Spring Mills, died Tuesday afternoon. Interment will be made Friday forenoon, services at the house at ten o'clock.

Mr. Herring was a native of Gregg township, having been born on the Herring homestead, near Penn Hall. He lived for a number of years at Lock Haven, but about ten years ago returned to Spring Mills, and at the time of his death was serving as a justice of the peace.

A widow, whose maiden name was Susan Kenneley, survives, as does one daughter, Mrs. Maggie Donachy, of Lewisburg. One brother, James P. Herring, of Altoona, and one sister, Mrs. Shannon, wife of Rev. Samuel Shannon, of Norwood, also survive.

MRS. MARY ANN KREAMER.

The death of Mrs. Mary Ann Kreamer occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jeremiah Gill, Pleasant Gap, Saturday. Interment was made Tuesday, Rev. Sowers, of the Methodist church, officiating. Her age was eighty-four years, three months and twelve days.

The deceased was the widow of Jonathan Kreamer who died many years ago. The following children survive: William, Bellefonte; John, in Kansas; Mrs. Jeremiah Gill, Pleasant Gap; Mrs. Watson Struble, Buffalo Run; Mrs. James Frazier, in Kansas; Mrs. John Gingerich.

JOSEPH STIMMEL BARNES.

Joseph Stimmel Barnes, of Bellefonte, died of tuberculosis Sunday afternoon. He was aged twenty-three years, and was the son of H. I. Barnes, deceased. He was connected with the express office in Bellefonte for a number of years, and later collector for the Pennsylvania Telephone Company. His mother, Mrs. Eliza Barnes, and several brothers and sisters survive.

AMBROSE McMULLEN.

Sunday morning Ambrose McMullen, of Hecla Park, aged twenty-five years, died after an illness of two weeks. He was the son of Ambrose M. McMullen, Sr., deceased, and was highly respected. One brother, Clarence, and sister, Luis, both of Hecla Park, survive.

Miss Daisy Stover died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Bertley, at Zion, of tuberculosis. She was about twenty-seven years old and was born in Haines township. Her mother and a number of brothers and sisters survive.

LOCALS.

Men's guaranteed patent oolt blucher shoes, \$1.98 at Yeagers.

The stork dropped a precious bit of humanity at the homes of Clarence Messer and Daniel Ream, of near Penna Cave.

The Reporter's Oak Hall correspondent gives an account of the burning of the barn on the Jacob Markle property, near Oak Hall.

The Centre Hall auxiliary hospital aid society will meet at the home of Mrs. J. R. Sechris, Monday evening. A full attendance is desired.

Extra choice California prunes, at eight cents per pound, at Swartz's store, Tusseyville. This price prevails for one week only. See adv.

J. F. Treaster, the outside lumberman was in Centre Hall Wednesday. He offers for sale a lot of machinery, etc., which will be advertised later.

C. F. Emery, of Yeagertown, the successor of Merchant W. H. Meyer, is expected here today or tomorrow. He will take charge of the store about the middle of this month, under present plans.

John F. Hagen, Harvey D. Hagen, Charles Hagen and John Lucas are working lumber at the Centre Hall foundry to be used in the construction of a dwelling house for Lyman L. Smith.

Word was received Wednesday by the Misses Bible that Frank, the youngest son of Benjamin Bittner, of Centerville, Missouri, died of tuberculosis. He was born on the Brass farm, east of Centre Hall, and is aged about forty years.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Big bargain in men's working shoes, \$1.25 at Yeagers.

Messrs. C. P. Long and son Austin, Wells Evans and Warren W. Wood, of Spring Mills, are attending the inauguration of President Taft.

Mrs. N. B. Shaffer, of near Centre Hall, attended the funeral of her great-grandmother, Mrs. Mary Vonada, at Woodward, Monday.

Mrs. George O. Benner is visiting at her old home at Martha, and before returning to Centre Hall will also go to Tyrone to spend a day with friends.

The Ladies Aid Society of the United Evangelical church will hold a festival and sale of sun bonnets and aprons in Grange Arcadia, Saturday evening, 13th inst. All are invited.

R. D. Foreman, for the greater part of the time, is unable to attend to business at the Foreman & Smith grain house and coal sheds. He has been suffering from attacks of sciatic rheumatism.

Invitations have been issued for the marriage of Alfred Bowersox and Miss Margaret Keichline, both of Pine Grove Mills, at the home of the bride's father, George Keichline, Wednesday, March 10th, twelve o'clock noon.

Lindsay Denison, the well known newspaper and magazine writer, contributes to the March number of The Circle Magazine a remarkable article, in which he details a hitherto unreported conversation with Theodore Roosevelt.

Roy W. Hartman, representing the Sunbury coffin and casket company, while on one of his regular business trips, called on Undertaker Rearick, in Centre Hall, Tuesday. While in town he favored the Reporter with his presence for a brief period.

The present plans of James B. Strohm, who today became deputy sheriff of Centre county, are to go to and from Bellefonte Monday and Saturday of each week. His family will move into the house, opposite the Presbyterian church, purchased some time ago.

B. F. Brown and family, who had been farming near Lockport, Illinois, the latter part of February shipped their household goods, farm stock, etc., to Seely, Cowley county, Kansas. Mr. Brown and son accompanying the car. Tuesday Mrs. Brown also started for their new home.

Julian A. Fleming, after making a tour to West Virginia, where he spent a few weeks with his son, Malcolm D. Fleming, thence to Seattle, Washington, through California, then to New Orleans and New York, arrived in Centre Hall Saturday, where he will remain for a short time.

Application has been made for a charter for a trolley road running from Monroe township, Snyder county, to Lewisburg, by Boyd A. Musser, J. C. H. Newcomer, C. M. Clement, W. H. Lyons and Guy Webster. It is to be called the Sunbury, Lewisburg and Milton Railroad Company. The road will be about ten miles in length.

The Mifflinburg Times and Mifflinburg Weekly News have been consolidated and will hereafter appear under the new title of Buffalo Valley News. John Yeasley, owner of the Times, also purchased the News. B. F. Kister, who had leased the Times, will be retained as an employe of the new concern. The sale was consummated Monday.

Spring Mills.

Squire M. B. Herring continues to be in a very critical condition.

John Dunkle recently recovered from a three weeks' confinement to the house, due to a severe attack of la grippe. He has again taken up his work in Altoona.

Prof. N. W. Gramley and wife, of Millheim, spent Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Gramley.

Rev. David Sower, of Pleasant Gap, was a guest under the parental roof one day last week.

Miss Lorain Spencer, of Bradford, visited her friend, Miss Mabel Allison, during the past week.

C. R. Orndorf, a senior at Pennsylvania State College, spent several days last week as the guest of B. S. Gramley, in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. William Finkle, of Muncy, were Spring Mills visitors several days last week.

William Martin, of Lewistown, is visiting at the home of R. G. Kennelly, in this place.

T. M. Gramley made a business trip to Laurelton last Monday.

Last Thursday night a party of young folks were delightfully entertained at the "Wood House." The Spring Mills orchestra furnished music for the occasion.

Friday night of last week a party from this place met a party from Centre Hall at Penna Cave, where they held a dance. Shortly after midnight all partook of a well prepared supper.

Early last Sunday morning the smoke house belonging to Robert Barges, at Penn Hall, was burned to the ground. Besides the building, the meat of eight hogs was destroyed.

During the past week the section men installed switch signals at all the switches leaving the main track. This is carrying out the policy of the railroad companies to take all precautions against accidents.

Marriage Licenses.

George H. Smith, Pine Grove Mills Irene M. King, Pine Grove Mills Frank H. Dawson, Bellefonte Carrie E. Cole, Bellefonte Phillip J. Canova, Jacksonville Ada M. Hancock, Jacksonville

Many a fellow has more money than brains, and hasn't much money at that.

Wheat, \$1.10. That looks well. Horses, \$200 and up. Cows, \$50 and up. So much for the farmer.

Michael Shaffer, mention of whose illness was made last week, has not improved during the past week. He has had several hemorrhages during the past few days.

The Pole Star.

Ursa Major and Ursa Minor are known also as the triones and as the Greater Wain and the Lesser Wain. It is curious to note that the larger constellation was given the figure of the bear by the Arabs and by the Troquois red men. The assumed forms are ordinarily fanciful, and the identity of the names in this instance affords food for speculation. Homer uses both bear and wain (wagon) in his references to these stars. It is evident that the name bear was a translation from some original Aryan language, as the constellation is called in Sanskrit riksha, a word that in different genders means both a bear and a star. Of course the polar star in the tail of Ursa Minor is the constellation's point of glory. In this case we may say fairly that the tail wags the dog, because the group of stars was once called the dog's tail, or cynosure. From that we have our word cynosure, that toward which all eyes turn, as to the dog's tail for sight of the pole star.—Minneapolis Tribune.

How Nora Coaxed the Tips.

A group of women were standing in the corridor of a summer hotel when an aged scrubwoman started upstairs with a pail of water. Just then a bright faced, buxom Irish chambermaid came up.

"This looks purty heavy for the likes of ye," she said cheerily to the old woman. "Better let me help."

She took up the pail and whisked off upstairs with it.

"How thoughtful of Nora!" "Isn't she kind?" and similar expressions rose to the lips of the women. The proprietor of the hotel and another man also witnessed the incident.

"Clever girl, that Nora," said the hotel man to his companion. "She's always doing something like that when there are people looking on. She gets more tips than any two other girls in the house. She could afford to pay me for the privilege of working here. Every summer she makes enough to spend the winter in idleness at her old home in Ireland."—New York Tribune.

Oddities of Color Blindness.

Color blindness, or the inability to distinguish certain colors, is by no means rare. Incomplete color blindness is when a person cannot distinguish one of the fundamental colors, red, green or violet. If a person is told to select colors resembling violet, he will pick red blind usually select blues as well as violets. If he is green blind, he will select green or gray, with possibly some blues and violets of the brightest shades. Violet blindness is rare. To a red blind person the American flag appears to have green and white stripes, while the white stars appear on a violet field. To a green blind person the stripes have the proper colors, but the field for the stars is red violet. To a violet blind person the stripes are normal, but the stars appear to be set in a dark brownish gray field. To a person who is totally color blind the blue of the flag appears a light yellowish brown, while the red stripes seem to be a darker brown.

An Idol Shattered.

Some one has said that people that are fond of hero worship should never make a pilgrimage to see the hero. Here is an instance:

An enthusiastic young lady admirer called on her favorite author. In speaking of her visit she said:

"I'm sorry I saw him. He didn't look at all like an author—no long, wavy hair; no dreamy expression; no eyes fixed on the stars as if to read the secrets of the heavens; no musical, low voice—nothing to suggest the genius. No, I found him leaning on the garden gate, in his shirt sleeves, swearing at a grocery boy! And his hair was close cropped, and he looked as if he hadn't shaved in a week. He was the most terribly human specimen I ever saw."—Atlanta Constitution.

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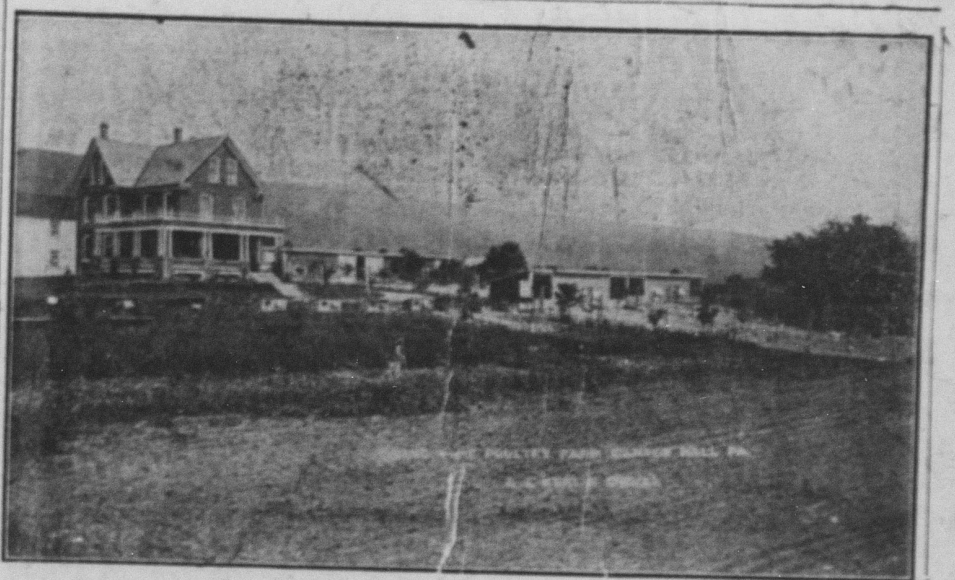
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