

THEIR ANNUAL REPORT.

THE COMMISSIONERS SHOW EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR.

Cost of the County's Government \$6,800 Less Than For the Previous Year - The Tax Rate Reduced

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes categories like Salaries, Printing, Fuel, Light and Postage, etc.

The report shows a balance in the county treasury of \$130,577.70, notwithstanding the following expenditures...

In conclusion the commissioners say: "Deducting the amount from the total expenditures of the year it appears that the ordinary expenses of the county in 1889 were \$184,700.15, which is \$6,900.00 less than in 1888..."

THE GUNNER GUILTY.

Bucks County's Court Decides Against Pigeon Shooting Matches.

Pigeon shooting contests have been given a black eye by the Bucks county court sitting in quarter sessions. In a decision just rendered by Judge Yerkes, A. Nelson Lewis, of the Philadelphia Gun club, which has shooting grounds at Andalusia, has been declared a violator of the state law.

JOHNSTOWN STARTLED.

A Cinder Dump Causes an Explosion Which Shakes the Town.

Ill-fated Johnstown has a big scare on Sunday night. Fortunately no lives were lost, and by almost a miracle no person was even injured.

Mechanism of the Ear.

From the Mechanism of the Ear. Few people realize what a wonderfully delicate structure the human ear really is.

Granted by the Registrar.

The following letters were granted by the Registrar for the week ending Tuesday, Jan. 28: TESTAMENTARY - George Weiman, deceased, late of Lancaster city; Mary Weiman, late of Lancaster city; Rebecca Burkholder, deceased, late of West Lampeter township; D. R. Burkholder, city, executor; John C. Nisley, Donegal township; John K. Nisley, Donegal and David L. Miller, Rapho, executors.

The Danger of a Pin Scratch.

From the Owingville, Ky., Outlook. A doll, which belonged to one of Mrs. Moore's daughters, had been carefully laid away twelve or fourteen years ago, with tobacco sprinkled over it to keep the moths out. This doll she was taking out to fix up for her little grand-daughter, and in running her hand over it to brush off the tobacco crumbs, one of her fingers was slightly scratched by a pin which fastened a covering on the doll.

Both Sides Determined.

On Saturday night about 100 puddlers of the Birmingham rolling mill, in Birmingham, Alabama, organized a lodge of the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers. On Monday the men who joined the lodge were discharged, and the others quit. The position taken by the company is that it will not allow the mill to be brought under association rules.

THE VIGILANTE'S HANGMAN.

Death of a Pennsylvanian Who Led a Remarkable Life.

The Intelligence on Saturday announced the death of J. X. Beldier, which occurred in Helena, Mont., on Wednesday, and that he was a native of Mt. Joy, this county. Here is a dispatch from Helena which contains some interesting facts:

John X. Beldier, better known as X. Beldier, whose death occurred here a few days since, was one of the pioneers and pioneers of Montana. Born in Pennsylvania in 1832, a young adventurer took him West while a pupil of his.

Although his enemies claimed that he had long been an inmate of the insane asylum, his friends maintained that he had long been an inmate of the insane asylum, his friends maintained that he had long been an inmate of the insane asylum.

REPUBLICANS NOMINATE.

Three Candidates For Mayor - Three Aldermen Have Opposition.

The Republicans of the several wards in the city met on Monday evening and placed in nomination candidates for the several offices to be filled at the February municipal election. There were three candidates placed in nomination for mayor: Charles Deussen, the candidate of the Bull Ring, Dr. S. T. Davis, who is run by the Hog Ring, and John H. High, who is running independent of either faction.

In nearly all the wards an organization was agreed upon. There will be interesting contests in the Fourth and Sixth wards for aldermen. In the Sixth the fight is between David L. Deen, the present alderman, and H. E. Foy, and in the Fourth Alderman Spurrier has for his opponent Harry M. Zook.

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Tobacco Buyers Not Yet Ready to Make Contracts - A Few Acres Purchased.

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VICTORY FOR WARD.

THE BROTHERHOOD PERMITTED TO HAVE WARD OF THE NEW YORK CLUB.

An Injunction Asked From the New York Supreme Court Not Granted. What Justice O'Brien Says.

New York, Jan. 28.-In the suit of the New York Base Ball club against John M. Ward, Judge O'Brien to-day announced his decision in favor of Ward. In his opinion refusing to grant an injunction restraining Ward from playing with any other club except the New York club, Judge O'Brien concludes as follows: "While, therefore, I think that this is a novel and an extraordinary preliminary injunction should be granted, it is proper that rights of parties should be determined by a trial before the ball season begins, and to that end on the application, I shall assist in securing a speedy trial upon which final and deliberate judgment upon the rights of parties can be pronounced."

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BOUNTY FOR LARGE FAMILIES.

The Quebec Legislature Passes an Act of Rather Novel Description.

The Quebec Legislature has just passed an act of a novel description. The act, which has now the force of law, provides for a bounty of 100 acres of land shall hereafter be granted to every head of a family of twelve living legitimate children. Colonel Rhodes, the minister of agriculture, who is one of the members of the Legislature, in proposing the measure, said the Quebec government was only continuing the idea inaugurated by Louisbourg, which was a colony of 3000 lives annually to the father of every family of ten children and 400 lives to every family of twelve children, besides two lives to each youth marrying at twenty, and the same to every girl married at sixteen. The intention of the bill was to attract the people to their native country, and this the commissioner of agriculture claimed, could best be attained by increasing the family circle and creating a family patrimony.

AN IMPORTANT OHIO ELECTION.

It May Make the Next National House Democratic.

The Democratic nomination for Governor of the State of Ohio met on Monday to nominate a candidate for the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Ashmun. John M. Patterson, of Clermont county, one of the members of the district and vice president of the Union Central Life Insurance company, was chosen over a host of other contestants. He was not a candidate, but owing to the importance of this election he was induced to accept. Democrats are jubilant. It is thought that the success of Patterson is not a surprising result. Positive information has been received that Republican money is on the way to buy the district. On Monday night the Democrats were making a grand rally in Columbus, where they will hold their township night and get out the vote. Gov. Campbell is to take the lead in the campaign. The Democratic campaign committee has opened the headquarters again and the canvass will be exciting. The state Senate is now a tie. If the Republicans can get a majority, they can prevent the state being redistricted and thus spoil chances for a Democratic national House. Patterson's nomination gives the Democrats the advantage in the start.

Geronimo a Heap Good Injun.

Western dispatches charge that Gen. Crook has been badly deceived by the Apache Indians now in Alabama and Arizona, who are reported to be the cause of their suffering and want that he recommended that the redskins be removed to Fort Huachuca. Gen. Crook said to-day: "I certainly would not plan to move the Apaches if there was any probability of their turning like snakes upon the government. The Apaches are broken in spirit and humbled by the discipline. Nobody made any effort to escape. The principals are comparatively unknown in the ring. They are Pete Mace and Tommy Gillen. They were to have fought for a purse of \$200.

Lived a Century.

"Aunt Katy" Curried died near Middletown, N. York, on Sunday, at the age of one hundred and eighty-two years. James Currie when she was thirty-two and buried him in 1872. Two years ago she was reported to be aged 100. The family Bible and married James Nelson aged sixty-eight, whom she also survived. She lived quietly on a farm, rarely leaving her home. Her husband died perfectly until she had passed her one hundred and fifth year. It is positively known that she was born in 1782.

Building Association Officers.

At the meeting of the stockholders of the American Mechanics Building and Loan association on Monday evening, the following were elected directors: Richard Blicke, E. Steigewald, E. S. Snyder, G. W. Cornely, J. Gust Zook, Geo. W. Cornely, H. M. Houser, Clement Munson, A. G. Broome, John S. Rengier and John B. Rehm; auditors, F. C. Hartman, Chas. A. Sourber, H. K. Myers; treasurer, John D. Skiles. The board of directors will elect officers at their meeting on Thursday evening.

Starting Revolution.

The most important new fact yet brought out in the argument on the West Virginia case is that the late Governor, who voted in favor of the bill, was not a member of the St. Clair on Monday in his closing address. He showed that 25 of the negroes who voted illegally for Goff in Mercer county in 1858 attempted to vote for Mahone in Virginia last fall. This statement, supported as it was by testimony, was a startling revelation to the assembly.

Death of a Well Known Lady.

Mrs. James Brown, a lady who is well known in Lancaster, died at her home in Williamsport on Monday. She was a daughter of Prof. A. N. Baugh, a well known educational man formerly of this county and now president of Delaware college. The deceased was 77 years of age and she frequently visited Lancaster. Her husband was a noted ball player and pitched for the Altoona club in 1883.

A Surprise Party.

Last evening a large number of her friends gathered at Mrs. Jere Vonder-smith's. They had an elegant time for several hours and enjoyed a fine supper. It was a late hour when everything was over.

Dropped Dead While Arguing a Case.

New York lawyer named Justus Palgrave dropped dead on Monday while arguing a case before Judge Van Wyck in the general term supreme court. Court adjourned at once when it was found that Mr. Palmer was dead. Heart disease was supposed to be the cause of death.

A Fox Chase To-day.

At Murr's hotel, at Millport, to-day, a fox chase is being held and quite a large crowd are in attendance from this city. The fox was to have been dropped at 5 o'clock.

Entertainment at Landville House.

An entertainment will be held in the Landville graded school house on Saturday evening, February 8th. The exercises will consist of music, dramas, farces and tableaux. The proceeds will be used for the school.

Democratic Nomination.

The Democratic nominating meetings will be held to-morrow evening at the places designated for the holding of Democratic nominations. The election will be held on Saturday evening.

COMMON PLEAS COURT.

An Issue to Determine the Validity of a Codicil to Needham Wilson's Will.

The suit of John Van Leer and Caroline, his wife, vs. Sidwell T. Wilson and Needham H. Wilson, executors of the will of Needham Wilson, deceased, was attached for trial before Judge Patterson this morning. This is an issue dependent of one to try by a jury whether an alleged codicil to the will of Needham Wilson, deceased, is a codicil to his will or not. The facts as shown by the plaintiff's witnesses were these: On March 2, 1885, Mr. Wilson made his last will, and on August 13 of the same year a codicil was added. He died in September, 1872. Some time after his death, however, now claimed to be a codicil, was found. It was then supposed to be a note, and suit was brought against Mr. Wilson's estate for the full value of the note. The case was taken to the supreme court and it was there decided that the paper, if anything, was a codicil to Mr. Wilson's will. The paper now in dispute was then produced. From the probate of the register an appeal was taken, on which the present issue was framed.

REACH A CONCLUSION.

Chloroform Killed the Woman, But Was Administered the Drug is Not Stated - Interference With Investigation.

THRENTON, N. J., Jan. 28.-The coroner's jury in the Kniffin case brought in a verdict at 2:45 o'clock this morning, declaring that Mrs. Kniffin died from the effects of chloroform administered by persons as yet unknown and further stating that the jury's labors were hampered by the withholding of important evidence. The evidence referred to is in possession of the prosecution and will be presented to the grand jury when it will consider the case. Police Officer William Deck on Monday testified that he found the street door of the Kniffin house standing open at 1:45 a. m. on the night of the murder. He closed it. At 1:23 on the same night he had been asked for a chew of tobacco by a slightly intoxicated stranger who was walking in Market street, near the Kniffin house. The man was fairly well dressed, about fifty-five years old, with gray mustache and goatee. The witness thought nothing of seeing the stranger out at such a late hour, but as is customary with the Trenton police he asked him where he lived, and the man replied that he lived on Mercer street. After the murder the officer kept an eye open for the stranger, and on Friday night he saw him as he was coming out of a shoemaker near the Kniffin house. He asked him his name and the man said it was H. E. Chamberlain and that he lived on Clay street. Head Deck reported the incident at police headquarters, but it was not regarded as important there and nothing was done about it. Persons acquainted with George Nelson, a relative of Dr. Kniffin, say his description tallies with that of the stranger as given by the officer.

Fire Destroys a Church.

Bowen, Jan. 28.-The Congregational church at Daryers Centre was burned this morning. The fire was well under way when discovered, and nothing could be saved. Loss, \$35,000; insurance, \$15,000. The church is an historic one, being the successor of the ancient church in which the witchcraft trouble began. The present building was erected in 1835, and remodeled a year ago, and was struck by lightning last year. This is the second time that this society has suffered by fire. The church was known as the Braman meeting house. Rev. Dr. Braman having preached in it for nearly fifty years. The fire caught over the boiler, although there had been no fire near it for several days.

CAPTURED A PRIZE FIGHT.

Fifty-three Principals, Seconds, Backers and Spectators Locked Up. New York, Jan. 28.-The police of the Mercer street station heard last night that there was going to be a prize fight between light weights in the cellar under Louis Finney's saloon, corner of South Fifth avenue and Bleeker street. A platoon of forty men, under command of Sergeant Douglas and Footy were on the ground to begin when the police arrived. Nobody made any effort to escape. The principals are comparatively unknown in the ring. They are Pete Mace and Tommy Gillen. They were to have fought for a purse of \$200.

Contracts Awarded.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.-Contracts were to-day awarded for materials for building the machinery of the cruisers 7 and 8 to be built by the government at New York and Norfolk, as follows: 7, 100,000 pounds of sheet steel, 7,500 pounds of J. B. Morse & Co.'s Portland cement, 100,000 lbs. D. S. Cook, of Wrightsville, Pa., \$2,000; 300 tons steel plates for boiler shells, to the Linden Steel company of Pittsburgh, \$30,012, and 40 tons steel rods, staples and forging for boiler bracing, \$11,332; 2,500 pounds wrought iron nuts, \$1,500; 2,500 pounds wrought iron washers, \$880; to Greenleaf, Wyatt & Company, New York.

Shot to Death.

MURPHY, a prominent business man, was coming out of Hill street at 10 o'clock on Sunday night when he was shot in the back by Dr. Starn, who was loaded with buck shot. Starn was loaded and fired the second charge into Murphy's prostate form, then drew a revolver and fired three additional shots in his victim, who was riddled with bullets. It is said that Starn had seen two families with Mrs. Murphy, and had been told that the latter would kill him on sight, so he shot first.

To Attend a Celebration.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.-The president Attorney General Miller and Secretary Noble and Tracy will leave here next Monday afternoon for New York, to attend the judiciary centennial on the 4th prox. The party will return to Washington on Tuesday night.

Tried to Kill His Child.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.-Jno. Watercheck, an insane cigarmaker, residing at 121 Pine street, this morning threw his child, Louis, from the fifth story window to the street. The child will probably die from the injuries. Watercheck has been taken into custody.

Granted a Justice.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.-Justice Vaubrun to-day granted a stay in the case of John Most, pending an appeal to the court of appeals from the judgment, conviction and sentence to a year's imprisonment for making an inflammatory speech at a meeting held at Madison Park, Chicago, on January 15, for convicting and hanging the Anarchists there. Most will be liberated in \$5,000 bail.

Buildings and Live Stock Burned.

WASHINGTON, Del., Jan. 28.-The stables and outbuildings of J. J. Williams' farm in Bohemia Manor, 6 miles from Middletown, burned by a fire from Middletown, Pa., on Monday. The loss was \$15,000. The fire was incendiary.

A Peacemaker Killed.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 28.-Addis Mansfield and killed Wm. Mansfield at Edge Cave, Ky., yesterday. Mansfield was being to prevent a difficulty between the brother and Malone. The murderer was taken to Bowling Green to save him from mob.

Death of an Ex-Governor.

CHICAGO, Jan. 28.-Ex-Governor Brock of Illinois, and for the past twenty years a large stockholder and editorial writer of the Chicago Tribune, died at a late hour this night.

WEATHER FORECASTS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 28.-Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair, northerly winds becoming variable, weather Wednesday.