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Democratic State Ticket.

STATE TREASURER,
HON. ORANGE NOBLE, of Erie county.

Democratic County Ticket.

ASSOCIATE JUDGES,
JOHN G. LARIMER, of Spring,
JOHN K. RUNKEL, of Potter.
PROTHONOTARY,
J. CALVIN HARPER, of Bellefonte.
SHERIFF,
THOMAS J. DUNKEL, of Rush.
REGISTER,
JAMES A. McCLAIN, of Boggs.
RECORDER,
FRANK E. BIBLE, of Spring.
TREASURER,
DANIEL C. KELLER, of Potter.
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
A. J. GREIST, of Unionville,
JOHN WOLF, of Miles.
COUNTY AUDITORS,
JOHN S. PROUDFOOT, of Milesburg,
F. P. MUSSER, of Millheim.

Gov. WILTZ, of Louisiana, who has been in ill health for some time, died in New Orleans on Sunday last. He was elected Governor in 1879.

MR. WOLFE is doing the State good service in his speeches exposing the rascalities of his Republican friends who have had control for the last twenty years. He tried to fight them into a show of honest practices within the lines of party organization, but he was only one against many, and of course unsuccessful. His appeal to the masses gives promise of a better result.

SENATOR DAVID DAVIS has at last dropped the mask which he has worn since he occupied a seat in the Senate, and it may be presumed his political vagaries will no longer be excused under the plea of independence or eccentricity. By the grace of Mahone, he is now the President *pro tem.* of a Republican Senate, and as near the summit of his ambition as he can ever be, unless another "stalwart of the stalwarts" appears to do for him what Guiteau did for Arthur.

THE WOLFE boom seems to be gathering strength. The boss tactics, of sneering the plucky independent off the tract, is not meeting the success desired. He is effectually publishing himself and his cause, and where he speaks is carrying consternation into the ranks of the bosses. It is said his speech on Saturday night last, at Pittsburg, drew a large and interested audience, who gave evidence that many of the reputable Republicans and business men of the iron city are settling in considerable force against the boss rule.

For a pretentious, independent reform journal, the Philadelphia Times moralizes over the ousting of Senator Bayard from the position of President *pro tempore* of the Senate from an elevated stand point—the stand point of the spoils of office. In its notice of the change from Bayard to Davis, it was really eloquent in describing how foolish the Democrats acted in refusing to compromise with the Republicans for the sake of keeping possession of a few petty positions now held by members of their party.

THE Watchman a couple of weeks ago in noticing the recent fall of Judge Black and the fracturing of his right arm seemed to think that this would, possibly, prevent the old hero from writing crushing articles on infidelity and make our Republican friends feel as if they were about to enjoy a season of repose from the caustic pen which Judge Black uses when he has occasion to criticize the party in power. The Lancaster Intelligencer, however, comes to the relief of the Watchman by recalling the fact that for several years Judge Black has used his left hand in writing, in fact ever since he suffered severe injury in a railroad accident some years ago.

Our Candidate for Sheriff.

The Democracy of Centre county are exceedingly fortunate in having a most excellent candidate for sheriff. During the canvass before the nomination no man was more careful than he to say aught against his fellow candidates. Starting in the campaign comparatively unknown except to the people of his own, and Howard townships, without money or powerful friends to back him, or push his claims, he quietly went from man to man, stating his business and presenting his claims for the office, and at the close of the canvass was nominated because the Democracy were convinced of his complete fitness for the office.

Our candidate is strong in this, that he comes direct from the hard working people of the county, he belongs to them and is of them and when they are in trouble and difficulty he will know how to sympathize with and lend to them, so far as shall be consistent with his public duty, a helping hand.

Our candidate is strong in his Democracy. Beginning with 1875 he was for four successive years the member of the standing committee from Rush township, and during this period the Democratic party held its own, in that somewhat turbulent district. The fact that for four years he held the important position of committeeman is proof positive that he is a Democrat "in whom there is no guile."

The Democracy are also fortunate in having in our candidate a man whose moral character, private life and habits are irreproachable. To whatever political party a man may belong he will not and can not, even for party purposes, breathe a word that will bear suspicion against the unsullied life of our candidate. We are glad to bear testimony that of those who were candidates before the convention that nominated Mr. Dunkel, are all hearty and cheerfully supporting him. If any one of these men had been nominated to fill his place on the ticket by the same convention he would have, as a matter of course, expected Mr. Dunkel and his friends to support him. They and their friends are doing for Mr. Dunkel what every true, faithful and loyal Democrat is doing by giving the nominee their earnest and hearty support.

GUITEAU, the assassin, was arraigned in the Criminal Court of Washington city on last Friday to plead to the indictment found against him by the grand jury of the District of Columbia, for the murder of President Garfield. His brother-in-law, Mr. Scoville, appeared as counsel for him, and a plea of "not guilty" was entered. Mr. Scoville asked for a postponement of the trial in order to prepare for a proper defence, and it was finally decided by Judge Cox that the time should be fixed for Monday, November 7, 1881, for the trial to begin. The remarks of Mr. Scoville to the Court, foreshadow three points upon which counsel for Guiteau will base their defence—first, the question of law relating to jurisdiction; second, the question of the irresponsibility of Guiteau on account of insanity, and third, that the death of President Garfield was occasioned by malpractice on the part of the physicians who attended him.

OF COURSE! When Conkling, Cameron, Dawes, Hoar and Fry express their sympathy with Mahone and endorse his effluviating method of paying honest debts, Grant, of course must not be singular. He therefore "sends his love" to the Virginia repudiator and begs to endorse his views of finance. The Ex-President's heart was always open to receive—not to return, and sympathy with repudiation is entirely natural.

PRESIDENT ARTHUR has politely informed Assistant Postmaster General Tyner that his resignation will be very agreeable, and promptly accepted. There being now no rebel-brigadier in the Department that needs supervision, Tyner can be spared, and the world will continue to move.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

A full stock of red, white and plaid flannels at Lyon & Co.'s.

Harry Green's cigars still continue to be the best found in Bellefonte. Don't forget the place. Green's drug store, in the Bush House block.

The Philadelphia Branch is daily receiving fresh invoices of all kinds of clothing, made with especial reference to the wants of the trade in this locality. A large majority of the troubles of mankind are purely imaginary and proceed from indigestion. Now, what is the use of carrying these troubles around with us when we have a certain remedy for them in Green's No. 1 and 2 Liver Pills.

Persons who like fine groceries should not fail to patronize Sechler & Co., in the Bush House block. The best of everything in the way of standard and choice goods will always be found in stock at that excellent store. The best goods in the market, fair prices and square dealing are the mottoes of Sechler & Co., and their customers are never deceived or disappointed.

Our friend, Mr. B. F. Hunter, of Benner township, put in an appearance at the Democrat office, yesterday afternoon, and with him came a bag of fine, luscious apples. All hands, from editors to devil, return sincere thanks to Mr. Hunter for his kindness. God bless the man who occasionally thinks of the printer!

It wasn't Gum Hop Lee, as our morning contemporary insists, who, with a smile that was childlike and bland, was some time since looking around Bellefonte to establish a laundry. That Chinaman's name was Gum Boo, and there is no evidence that he is as dishonest as Gum Hop except the circumstance that after he had selected a "washee" house he "folded his tent like the Arab and silently stole away," nevermore to return.

A social event of more than usual importance to the neighborhood of Martha Furnace took place yesterday at the residence of Mr. John I. Thompson. It was the marriage of Mr. Beatty Henry, of Millin county, with Miss Jennie Thompson, daughter of John I. Thompson. The social standing of the young couple and their extensive circle of relatives and acquaintances drew a large assemblage together to witness and enjoy the very interesting ceremony. One of the presents to the groom was a double-bitted axe. For further particulars inquire of Colonel McFarlane.

"You're not certain of anything till you see it," said General James A. Beaver on Tuesday to a reporter of this paper who called on him to ascertain whether or not there was anything new in connection with the rumored establishment by himself and other gentlemen of capital of nail works in Bellefonte. The General, however, after a brief talk confirmed the report of the establishment of the proposed industry indicated, and intimated that operations on the buildings would be shortly commenced. A portion of the machinery has already been purchased, and the works will be located a short distance west of the defunct glass works.

"I'll tell you what," said a young married lady evidently from Clearfield town by her conversation—the talk was about babies—as she sat among a bevy of admiring friends on the portico of the residence of a well-known boot and shoe merchant, who lives at the north end of Allegheny street, "and I don't care whether you believe it or not, in West Clearfield there is a baby only two months old that weighs forty-seven pounds!" An exclamation of consternation escaped the lips of the other ladies, none of whom had husbands, when they contemplated the future.

The three-days' races for a purse of \$1,700, arranged by citizens of Philipsburg to take place this week, began on Tuesday. Only two races were started the first day and neither were finished. In the 2:30 race Peck's Little Major won two of the three heats run. It was a five-heat race and the balance were trotted yesterday. The 2:55 race was also a five-heat race, Lady Lear, Mizpah and George each winning one of three heats trotted. This race was also concluded yesterday. To-day the principal race will be for horses of the 2:30 class for a purse of \$500.

Company B, of this place, was not entirely neglected after all in the choice by Colonel Burchfield, commanding the Fifth regiment, of soldiers to represent that organization at the Yorktown celebration. A squad of the company were ordered to fall in at the tail end of Hollidaysburg's Company C, and the detail took their departure on Monday last. The following members of the company comprised the detail: Lieutenant Hale, Sergeants Geisinger and Schrader, Corporal Miller and Privates Bartruff, Barrett, Cambridge, Davis, Morrison, Musser, Phillips, Wetzel and Wian.

DEATH OF AN AGED AND RESPECTED CITIZEN.

Mr. Isaac Miller, one of the oldest and most respected citizens of Bellefonte, breathed his last at his residence on Howard street about 10 o'clock Tuesday morning in his 79th year, being born in 1802, in Chester county, this state. His last moments were very easy and he betrayed no symptom of suffering. The causes of his death were principally old age and its infirmities. There was no organic disease, though the old gentleman has been failing for six months past. Mr. Miller came to Bellefonte with his uncles, the Valentines, and their families, and William V. Thomas, father of Jacob V. Thomas, and was employed at the iron works outside of town, which were afterwards purchased by them and are still operated and owned by the descendants of the original lessees and owners. Mr. Miller remained with the Valentines till he reached manhood, occupying various positions of trust and being continually promoted to something more responsible, spending the best years of his life in their service. He was implicitly trusted by his employers, and being of a careful disposition regarding financial matters soon had a snug store laid by, with which he embarked in the mercantile business in Bellefonte.

Previous to establishing himself in business in Bellefonte he, in the years between 1826 and '29, in partnership with Joseph Harris had control of the Mill Hill iron works and operated them for about three years. Severing his connection with the Mill Hill works he removed to Howard, this county, where he assisted in establishing the Howard iron works, but sold out his interest in them a short time afterwards to William A. Thomas, Joseph Harris and James D. Harris.

After a time he abandoned the mercantile business here and removed to Philadelphia to represent as their agent the Valentines' iron industry. While a resident of Philadelphia he was given opportunities to honestly make several thousand dollars, with which he purchased a fine farm near Downingtown, in Chester county, and lived thereon for a term of years, when he sold it to considerable advantage and returned to Bellefonte, where he became connected with the Bellefonte and Snow Shoe Railroad company, assisting in the organization. There is one incident in the life of this true-hearted old gentleman that shows the sterling integrity which was a governing principle in his long life. While in business here he was so unfortunate as to fail and was unable to pay more than 50 cents on the dollar, which compromise the creditors all agreed. Mr. Miller was afterwards enabled to re-embark in business, and about three years further on he sent notice to each of his remaining creditors that he could pay the balance, cancelling the indebtedness in full. He did so, and it is needless to say that the creditors were both surprised and pleased at this instance of exceptional honesty. While in the employ of Valentines' works in 1835 Mr. Miller married Miss Elizabeth Downing, of near Downingtown, Chester county, who still survives her husband.

Mr. Miller was always a consistent, honest christian and a most excellent citizen, and though of a somewhat retiring disposition he was a friend of all. He was a lifetime member of the Society of Friends, and died with a full faith in a glorious resurrection. The funeral will take place this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the late residence of the deceased on Howard street.

BUSINESS CHANGES.—Messrs. Bauland & Newman, the well-known and popular proprietors of the Bee Hive stores, of Bellefonte, have sold their extensive stock of merchandise to Messrs. Goldsmith Brothers of New York. The new firm will take possession of the stores on next Monday. Messrs. Bauland and Newman in their business career in Bellefonte established a fine reputation for themselves and they will be much missed by their many friends. They go to Chicago, we understand, to engage in the business of manufacturing overalls, shirts, drawers, &c., to sell at wholesale. We wish them abundant success, as we do also their successors whom we welcome to our community.

The firm of A. J. Brown & Co., Furniture Dealers, on Bishop street, was dissolved this week as will be seen by an advertisement in another column. The business will be continued by Arthur J. Brown, who is a young man deserving of success. He will always keep a superior assortment of everything in his line which will be sold at prices to suit the times. Active, energetic, straightforward and honest in all his dealings, there is no young man in our community who should command a larger patronage than Artie Brown.

The most complete stock of boots and shoes, the very cheapest and the very best ever offered, at Lyon & Co.'s.

CLOSE OF THE CATHOLIC LADIES' FAIR.

The fair and festival conducted by the Catholic ladies of Bellefonte for the benefit of St. John's church closed on Tuesday evening after two weeks of flattering success. The most valuable prizes were awarded to those persons who had succeeded in raising the largest sums of money for the useful and ornamental articles in question, the plan adopted for canvassing being to furnish each person contesting for the different prizes with a blank book, in which to record the names of contributors and the amounts subscribed. The most expensive articles contested for were a fine chamber suit, a gold necklace, a gold-headed cane and a silver watch. There were of course, many other prizes of less value, but the four named are all that is necessary to particularize. The chamber suit was awarded to Frank Garver, a resident at the Minebank; the neck lace went to Miss Kate Crotty, of Bolling Springs; the gold-headed cane was won by Patrick Loughrey, division boss of the Bald Eagle Valley railroad, who lives at Snow Shoe Intersection; and the silver watch went into the hands (or the pocket) of Eugene Bradley, son of John Bradley. Altogether the fair was the occasion of much pleasure and genuine enjoyment to those who visited it—and they were legion—and the ladies who managed it are to be congratulated upon the encouraging result. The fat hog, which was presented to the ladies in charge of the festival by Mr. Thomas J. Dunkel, the popular and competent Democratic candidate for sheriff, was given to Mrs. Kate Carney. We understand that the net profit of the fair will amount to something like \$1,500, which sum will be an acceptable addition to the treasury of the congregation. The members of the church entered into the enterprise with a spirit that was very commendable, and their efforts were ably seconded by the untiring energy and earnest work of Rev. Father McArdle, pastor of the church.

DECISION IN A GREAT LAND SUIT.

Five years ago a bill in equity was brought in the Court of Common Pleas of Centre county by E. R. Payne & Co., of Williamsport, and William Young, of Union county, against J. Harrison Holt, of Snow Shoe, this county, and John P. Harris and William Humes of Bellefonte, to compel the payment of the purchase money for three tracts of land in the northern section of the county, bought by Holt, Harris and Humes from Payne & Co. The defense set up against the payment of the money was that Payne & Co., owned, the land as tenants in common and not as partners, as they claimed, and that judgments existed against the different members of the firm which were a lien upon the land; that the title to the land was defective; that William Young, who sold the land to Payne & Co., did not have a clear title to the same; and further, that the surveys of these three tracts were interfered with by other surveys, by which a large portion of the land sold was lost and a serious cloud put upon the whole title, thus rendering the title unmarketable. The case was tried before a master in chancery, who decided against Holt, Harris and Humes and in favor of Payne & Co., and Young. The case was then tried in court before Judge Morrow, of Bradford county, who affirmed the decision of the master. Holt, Humes and Harris then took an appeal to the Supreme Court, which was argued at the May term this year, and the Supreme Court at its present session in Pittsburg reversed the decree of the chancellor and dismissed the bill of Payne & Co., decreeing that they should pay the costs. The matter was in litigation for five years and the amount involved was \$30,000. Hon. S. R. Peale, of Lock Haven, and Mr. A. O. Furst, of Bellefonte, represented Holt, Harris and Humes, and at Harrisburg both gentlemen made able, eloquent and telling arguments in favor of their clients. We have heard it stated that Mr. Furst was especially complimented for the ability with which he probed the intricacies of the case, and handled all the points involved by the lawyers who listened to his argument. The costs in the case will amount to between \$3,000 and \$4,000, and the "paper book" setting forth the situation embraced six hundred pages.

Y. M. C. A. BULLETIN.—Friday evening, October 21, 7.15 to 8 o'clock—Service of Song. 8 o'clock—Annual Election of Officers.

Sunday afternoon, October 23, 4 to 5 o'clock—Young Men's Prayer Meeting: Subject—"The Christian's Ally."—Josh. xxiii. 1, 10; Isa. xli. 10, 14.

Monday evening, October 24—Meeting of Boy's Branch.

—Lyon & Co. have an elegant line of new-style gentlemen's ulsters at \$7.50 and from that up.

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PRESIDENT HUMES, OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK, SUED FOR LIBEL.—It

being the talk of the town that Mr. E. C. Humes, president of the First National Bank of Bellefonte, had been sued for libel by Hon. S. R. Peale, of Lock Haven, ex-State Senator and a prominent member of the Clinton county bar, a reporter of this paper called on Mr. Humes at his office in the bank on Tuesday last. On the reporter explaining the object of his visit Mr. Humes expressed no surprise, having of course heard the common rumor, but he remarked that he had not yet any official notification of the action of Mr. Peale. Mr. Humes did not care to say anything on the subject until matters took a more definite turn, and the reporter departed without having obtained much satisfaction or information. At a later hour, however, the good fortune that frequently comes to the aid of newsgatherers in dull seasons assisted this particular "snooper," and from others he got an idea of the reasons of Mr. Peale for prosecuting Mr. Humes for libel. It seems that an important bill in equity has been filed in the Court of Common Pleas of this county by E. C. Humes against the Bird Coal and Iron Company and others, one of the defendants being S. R. Peale. The principal allegation in the bill filed is that Joseph Bird, acting as president of the coal and iron company, without authority, as alleged, of the stockholders, and without notice to them, leased the lands of the company in Snow Shoe, this county, for the purposes of mining and lumbering thereon. It is also alleged in the bill that the lease is an exceedingly disadvantageous one for the stockholders of the company; that the prices to be paid for the coal and lumber are entirely inadequate, and that therefore some person beside the stockholders will be largely benefited.

Mr. Humes in his bill sets forth that, from information which he deemed trustworthy, Mr. Peale, who has been and now is the attorney of the Bird Coal and Iron Company, procured this lease to be made by Mr. Bird, while he (Peale) was to be personally benefited either by operating the lease in connection with the lessee or by making a sale of the lease to other parties. The allegations are most carefully guarded and are set out in Mr. Humes' bill as being based on information furnished by others, but which Mr. Humes believed, from the circumstances surrounding the case, to be based on fact.

Mr. Peale, it would appear, feels aggrieved by the allegations contained in the bill, and without waiting to ascertain whether or not they can be proved, he has instituted a civil action for libel, claiming damages, no doubt, for the supposed injury to his personal and professional character. Thus the matter rests at present, with the prospect of some interesting future developments.

PROPOSED NEW NARROW-GAUGE RAILROAD.

The proposed new railroad scheme that is causing speculation in the minds of a good many people interested in the progress of Bellefonte is, as near as we can learn, to be a narrow-gauge road. It will be called the Bellefonte and Nittany Valley railroad and will be four miles in length. It will extend over a route that we cannot yet exactly indicate, but which is to connect the ore mines in the neighborhood of Hubersburg with the Bald Eagle Valley branch of the Pennsylvania railroad at a point of which we have not been definitely informed. It was originally intended to build the road to Hubersburg. There is some doubt at present about this intention, but it is not at all safe to say that the idea has been abandoned. In a few days we expect to be in a position to give our readers some definite information as to the location and intentions of the road. The president of the new corporation is Robert Valentine. Mr. Adam Hoy, who is now in Philadelphia, is expected, it is stated, to bring home with him when he returns the charter for the company.

A YOUNG LADY BREAKS AN ARM.

Miss Mary Yeager, daughter of Restaurant Henry Yeager, of this place, during the county fair while getting out of a carriage which had taken her to the grounds caught her foot on the steps and was thrown heavily to the ground, striking on her right arm. She thought little of the accident and remained at the fair, supposing the hurt to be but a sprain. On her return home the arm went unattended until the Monday following—the accident happened on the Thursday previous—when it began to pain her so much that a physician was summoned; who after an examination found that one of the small bones in the arm was broken. He reduced the fracture, and Miss Mary is now able to be about, though she carries her arm with considerable care.

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