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Democratic County Committee for 1886.

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Millsburg Boro., E. A. Carr, do  
Tillamook Boro., D. L. Zerby, do  
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Phillipsburg, Henry Lehman, do  
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Unionville Boro., F. J. McDonald, do  
Besser twp., William Ishler, do  
Beget twp., Henry L. Barnhart, do  
do, Col. James F. Weaver, do  
Burnside twp., William Hippie, do  
College twp., Daniel Grove, Jr., do  
Curtin twp., Henry Conder, do  
Ferguson, east, John McCronick, do  
Ferguson, west, L. W. Walker, do  
Greeg twp., north, John Rossmas, do  
do, south, John P. Condo, do  
Haines twp., east, John J. Orndorf, do  
do, west, Jacob Wile, do  
Half Moon, A. T. Gray, do  
Harris twp., James W. Swabb, do  
Howard twp., Michael Conder, do  
Huston twp., Charlie Murray, do  
Liberty twp., J. I. DeLong, do  
Marion twp., John Ishler, do  
Newport twp., Nelson Kramer, do  
Patterson twp., Geo. W. Behrs, do  
Penn twp., Samuel Ard, do  
Vetter twp., north, James A. Keller, do  
do, south, Joseph Gilliland, do  
Rush twp., north, Hugh McLean, do  
do, south, Orrin Yell, do  
Snow Shoe, east, Thomas McCann, do  
do, west, Pat Kelley, do  
Spring twp., Amos Garlick, do  
Taylor twp., Vinton Beckwith, do  
Union twp., John H. Stever, do  
Walker twp., Samuel Ducker, do  
Worth twp., W. G. Morrison, do

ADAM HOT, Chairman.

### Hensel Re-elected.

The Democratic State Central Committee by a vote of 61 to 14 re-elected W. U. Hensel chairman for another year. Of the wisdom of this move thousands of honest Democrats in the state have grave doubts.

Mr. Hensel was charged with heading a faction antagonistic to the administration of Gov. Pattison, long ago, and at the meeting of the committee was confronted with a photographed letter of his own writing, giving "pointers" to the enemy. Mr. Hensel's explanation while apparently frank, was anything but clear, and satisfactory. The DEMOCRAT objected strenuously to his re-election for reasons well known to its readers. The interests of the party we regard as paramount to the ambition of any individual, and successive defeat should have taught the state committee to have looked to the interests of the Democratic party and not to the small clique of ambitious distributors of patronage who were clamoring for a "vindication."

Mr. Hensel is re-elected; it is the duty of every Democrat to put his shoulder to the wheel and assist the chairman and his committee in the coming campaign. The DEMOCRAT made its fight openly and fearlessly for a change of leaders; figuratively speaking we were "cleaned out." We are now ready to give to the chairman our hearty support. Our confidence is in the inherent elasticity, and recuperative powers of the party which prior to the last two campaigns has always come up to the scratch in good fighting trim after defeat. While the party has but a modicum of confidence in its chairman it knows its own great strength and will go into the next campaign if not well officered at least well armed. The key note has been struck by Gov. Pattison, in his Lock Haven speech, and an anti-discrimination legislature and Governor will be the result. It is the duty of all to give Mr. Hensel a hearty support in his efforts at re-organization, and if he goes about the matter as the executive head of the great Democratic party of the state and not as the head of an anti-Pattison faction he can and will be successful. Much will depend on the spirit which animates him. A policy of non-interference in Federal appointments, would tend to allay some of the bitter feeling which has grown up in the past year. Mr. Hensel can have the entire Democratic party at his back in the campaign of next fall or he can have his own faction supporting him. Which shall it be?

UNDER an act of assembly passed by the last legislature tax collectors are elective, and all taxes are collected by the officer elected this spring. The law may be and is a very good one, and can only be brought into disrepute by the election of bad men. There will no doubt be great struggles for nominations as the office will be the most lucrative of all township offices. The bail fixed by law is double the amount of taxes levied and that ought to deter many who otherwise would be ambitious for the position. In this borough there are several patriots who are anxious to secure the Republican nomination or rather their friends are pushing and urging them for the position. The election of the collector will doubtless bring out the full vote of every election district and will create a new interest in the spring elections.

THE Pennsylvania Railroad Company will appeal to the Supreme Court from the decision of the Dauphin County Courts on the railroad suits. Perhaps the great "Pensy" had better "rest." The next legislature will likely pass penal laws to enforce the plain provisions of the Constitution, and then—well some one might be compelled to transact "biz" from Canada or a reformatory institution.

ENGLAND is again compelled to bolster up the "sick man" of Europe and little Greece, which still smarts under a thousand stings inflicted during long years of oppression by the Turks, the remembrance of which causes her blood to boil, is commanded to disarm. The "Peace of Europe," about which statesmen of the old world prate so much, and seem to know so little, is an armed truce, during which each country manoeuvres for a position of vantage. The "sick man" is the bone of contention. When Russia and Austria feel themselves strong enough Turkey will be divided between them, as was Poland. Greece is regaining some of her ancient prestige, and with it the desire to avenge the wrongs inflicted by Turkish misrule. Turkey is one of the barriers between England's Indian possessions and Russia's march to the Indian Ocean. Germany, who cares as little about the "Peace of Europe" as she does about the peace of the Arctic regions, except when it is to her own advantage, does not want Russia or Austria to extend their territorial boundaries to the south. Thus Greece will be squelched, the "sick man" will be doctored up, and the "Peace of Europe" preserved.

THE importance of electing the best man in a township or borough to the position of Justice of the Peace, is not properly appreciated by the average voter, and yet no office in the township is of more vital importance to the people than Justice of the Peace. He is important as the judicial head of the township and arbiter between its citizens, the dispenser of Justice and the conservator of its Peace. But more important is the position he holds as scrivener. If he errs in his decisions an appeal lies to the Courts of the County. If he makes a blunder in drawing up a deed, a mortgage or an article of agreement there is not much chance for remedy. He generally transacts most of the business of his district and for that reason he should be the most competent man that can be found.

SENATOR PAYNE, of Ohio, who has been charged with bribery and corruption in connection with his canvass for United States Senator invites the fullest scrutiny and investigation, and offers his private books and papers to aid the investigation. As Senator Payne is a Democrat and bribery has never been charged in connection with the election of a Democratic Senator we hope the investigation will be full and complete. Senator Payne is equal to the ordinary Republican Senator and may be classed with the railroad and silver kings who have controlled that party, but as a successor of Thurman the standard oil monopolist is a Bob Wallace.

OHIO is troubled with an ignoramus in the chair of her Senate. Kennedy is the beauty's name, and he is conducting things in such an outrageous manner as to put to shame the celebrated "parliamentary hog," Keiffer, who was once Speaker of the National House of Representatives. Kennedy is a Republican, and fills the position of Lieutenant Governor of the state. The chief business of the long-eared Kennedy seems to be to control the majority of the Senate, which is Democratic.

### Sluggish Sullivan's Show Bankrupt.

Boston, January 23.—John L. Sullivan's theatrical experience came to a sudden end to-night by the breaking up of the Lester Allen theatrical combination. The curtain was rung down before the show was half over. Lester had disappeared and Sullivan says he owes him \$888 19 back salary. Sullivan was to have assumed the management of the concern to-night, but washes his hands of the affair and will let the members look out for themselves. He retires again to private life.

THERE were lively times in Columbus yesterday, but rather rowdyish and blustering than dangerous, although small provocation in the way of a blow would have made matters serious. The Republican "rump" met at 10 o'clock and remained in session until 4, when the Democratic Senators filed into the chamber—of course they recognized the Lieutenant Governor in the chair as presiding officer. A fight at once commenced for parliamentary position. The question was on reading the journal and which journal, that of the "rump" or the Senate, should be read. The Lieutenant Governor decided the special order was the Hamilton county election contest. The Democrats appealed, and the clerk called the names of all the Senators, which roll showed the appeal sustained and the chair reversed, but the Lieutenant Governor scratched off the roll call the names of the four Cincinnati Senators and proclaimed that he had been sustained. On this the Democrats quit the chamber—leaving the Republican "rump" of seventeen with their hands tied. Senator SHERMAN and Speaker CARLISLE, President of the Senate and Speaker of the House, in interviews declare that nineteen Senators are necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Speaker CARLISLE says the ruling out of the four Senators from Hamilton county is without a precedent to sustain it.—Patriot.

### SORRY SHE MARRIED HER COACHMAN.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 9.—May Mansfield was born in Worcester, and at an early age became an orphan, and by the death of her father, who was the disinherited son of a wealthy planter of Lexington. She was taken to Lexington and eventually became heiress to a large fortune. She removed to the East on the death of her relatives, first going to Worcester and later to Hartford. In Hartford she met and became engaged to a young man of high social standing. Shortly before the time set for the wedding the young woman read a notice of her lover's marriage. In a fit of jealous rage she married her coachman, William Whittlesey. Then began a period of remorse and shame at the step she had taken. Six months of this kind of life passed, and the unhappy wife told her husband she would furnish him money with which to purchase a livery stable. About a month ago Whittlesey came here and purchased the stable of Williams & Collet. A few days later the wife came to this city and summoned and informed him that she did not love him and that she had married him in a fit of jealousy, urging him to retain an attorney and institute proceedings to obtain a divorce. She assured him that she would pay all expenses and present him with a handsome sum besides. Whittlesey, the former servant, refused to do as his wife requested, and laughed at what he termed her foolishness. Mrs. Whittlesey then visited an attorney, and stated the case to him. He told her that she had no legal right to do as she wished. She then determined to leave Whittlesey, which she did on Christmas eve, starting for Kentucky. Whittlesey remained in this city a few days, but has now disappeared. The stable has been sold out.

WASHINGTON, Pa.—While at dinner on Friday, Frank, a little 4-year-old son of Thomas Gilbert, of Sycamore, this county reached across the table, and, his chair upsetting, he was thrown to the floor. He was eating corn at the time and choked upon it, but becoming seemingly relieved in a few moments, his parents thought nothing of the matter. In the evening however, the boy complained of his throat, but nothing seriously being apprehended, medical aid was not summoned. On Sunday the child died. It is supposed that a grain of corn in the windpipe caused his death.

### Fire at Lock Haven.

LOCK HAVEN, Jan. 26.—At about 8 o'clock last evening an alarm of fire was sounded, and of course everybody was immediately astir. It was soon learned that the trouble was in M. Sondheimer's dry goods store on Main street. It was but a short time indeed until the firemen were "on deck" and had streams of water playing on the flames. There was considerable excitement and during that time some goods were stolen from the establishment. The fire was caused by the explosion of a coal oil lamp, and the damage done is roughly estimated by Mr. Sondheimer at \$1,000, which is fully covered by insurance, placed in the North German, of Harrisburg, and the North American, of Philadelphia, the former being represented here by Mr. Culp, and the latter by Mr. Good. Mr. Sondheimer would, he says, rather have lost \$500 clear than have had that fire, for while the insurance will cover the actual loss of goods destroyed, it cannot begin to make up the losses in other directions—such as inconvenience, loss of time and trade, etc. Had it not been for the usual promptness of the firemen there is no doubt but that the whole block would have fallen a prey to the flames.

### Narrow Escape at Huntingdon.

HUNTINGDON, Pa., Jan. 26.—The northbound express on the Huntingdon and Broad Top Railroad, which reaches this city at 12:50 a. m., miraculously escaped an appalling accident here yesterday. The train, which was well filled with passengers, had been running at increased speed in order to make up time, and just after leaving the high trestle bridge spanning the Juniata River at the southern section of the city, the overheated journals of the front trucks broke down, throwing the engine from the track and lighting it on the edge of a high embankment. Fortunately none of the coaches left the track. Had the accident occurred 15 seconds sooner, while the train was passing over the trestle, the loss of life would have been appalling, as the derailment of the engine would naturally have thrown the entire train from the bridge to the river, 60 feet below. Two of the lady passengers when apprised of the narrow escape fell to the ground in a faint.—Patriot.

SINCE the establishment of the Soldiers' Orphans' Schools in Pennsylvania 12,807 pupils have been admitted at an expense of upward of \$8,000,000 to the state, or about \$625 for each pupil. For various reasons many of the orphans admitted did not complete their course, and if allowance for such were duly made it would be seen that this system of education is unduly expensive, compared with the cost of other educational institutions. The Philadelphia Record says it would have cost the State of Pennsylvania less to board and educate these soldiers' orphans in excellent private boarding schools and academies.

### THE Law and order League, passed the following resolutions on Monday evening:

**Resolved,** That the Executive Committee be directed to annually publish at the proper time the names of all bondsmen for applicants and all signers to petitions for license for the sale of intoxicating drinks within Centre county.

**Resolved,** That the secretary be instructed to have the above resolution published.

THE Postmaster General has appointed the following fourth class postmasters in Pennsylvania: At Acker, Henry Stone; at Bolivar, John L. Berendinger; Eau Claire, Levi T. Kerr; Habersburg, S. H. Goodhart; La Plume, John Bailey; Worth, Mrs. Rebecca Jones.

### Interesting Notes.

The New York Grant Memorial fund has reached the sum of \$14,140.91. Mr. Lloyd, who has just been re-inaugurated Governor of Maryland, is but 33 years old.

General Boulanger, the new French Minister of War, headed the French delegation at the Centennial.

M. Dautresme, the new Minister of Commerce in the French cabinet, is the composer of several comic operas, some of which have been played.

Mark Twain told a New York reporter that his new book, now in press, was the worst he had ever written, and would cap the climax for stupidity.

Twelve Hungarians, having amassed \$700 each, left Easton Saturday, homeward bound, stating that the amount would make them rich in their country.

Attorney General Marshall, of California, who is visiting in Washington, is a nephew of the late Chief Justice Marshall and a brother of the noted orator, Tom Marshall.

Of the fifty-eight cases marked for trial at the March Civil Court of Montgomery county, sixteen are suits against the Schuylkill Valley Railroad Company for land damages.

John Jacob Astor's gift of \$25,000 to the Young Women's Christian Association of New York has caused the growth of a \$125,000 fund and with it a fine new building is to be put up.

Mme. Christine Neilson states that after the next farewell tour in America she will return to England and settle permanently in London. She says she prefers the society and climate of England to those of all other places.

James Hand, who died at the Chester county Almshouse recently at the age of 96 years, enlisted in the late war giving his age as 35 years, when in reality he was 68 years old, in order that he might not be rejected. He was buried with military honors.

General Wesley Merritt, the commandant at West Point, is a tall man, with a round, red face and a light silken mustache. He stands as straight as his cadets are instructed to do. He has a form, however, that defies his erect stature in the roundness of its contour. A Burglar was asked by the lady whose house he was robbing the other night: "Mr. Burglar, have you a mother?" "He answered, with great presence of mind: "Oh, yes; half a dozen." "This," pointing to his revolver, "is my mother, father, brother and sister."

Henry Vaughn, aged 18 years, and Emma Smith, aged 15 years, both living at Marion, Westmoreland county, recently walked eighteen miles to Greensburg to get married. The minister refused them on account of their age, and they walked home again and came back the next day with the parents on both sides as witnesses, when the ceremony was performed.

A kerosene engine exploded Saturday at Manchester, N. H. Timothy Stevens the inventor, had his right arm fractured, his head badly cut and his eyes injured.

—On Tuesday evening the world renowned actress, Madam Januschek, appeared at the Fisk Opera House in Tyron, in the character of "Mary Stewart," Queen of Scots. She will appear in Bellefonte as soon as the contemplated Opera House is erected.

The Cincinnati Law and Order League Saturday obtained written and oral agreements from all the theatre managers to give no more Sunday performances, the League promising to turn its attention immediately to the closing of concert saloons on Sunday. The new arrangement is to begin after to-day.

Alice Halter, a prepossessing girl of 14 years was arrested on Friday night at Buffalo, N. Y., on the charge of arson in the first degree. On Thursday night she desired to go to a party with the family of her employer, John J. Berger. They refused to take her, and in revenge she attempted to set the house on fire.

Joseph Leitner, a well known and influential man of the vicinity of Joliet Ill., was driving home on Friday night, when he ran into a snow-drift with sufficient force to throw him from his sleigh and render him insensible. When found yesterday morning he was frozen to death.

—No licenses were granted at this term of Court.

THE Philadelphia Times accuses the Bellefonte Republicans of lying. Our neighbor should quit.

J. N. CASANOVA, the member of the State Committee from this county, refrained from voting for chairman at the meeting of that body last week. Why was it? If Centre county had desired to have been silent on a matter of so much importance she would not have elected a member of the committee last fall. Why was Centre county without a voice in the election of a chairman? Mr. Casanova can have the floor.

It is said that Perry Bellmont has appointed H. Conquest Clark, private secretary of Gov. Kellogg to be clerk of his committee. Clark was concerned with Kellogg, Sherman and the crowd of visiting Republican statesmen in the electoral steal of Louisiana. If such is the case the chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee should step down and out. The Democratic party has no room for a returning board swindler. Clark had better go over to his republican compatriots. "Birds of a feather should flock together."

THE Coke manufacturers of the Conansville region discharged American laborers over a year ago and employed ignorant and vicious Hungarians in their stead. The Hungarian is now master of the situation and is on a strike. The property of the operators is being destroyed and thousands of dollars are lost to them. Hungarian cheap labor is dearer in the end. When honest American labor is compelled to give place to the pauper labor of Europe the employer should not squeal if he gets more than he bargains for.

BOUELLE, the gentleman from Maine, was "wiped out" by Wise of Virginia the other day in such a manner that he will never forget it. He accused the commandant of the Navy Yard of removing inscriptions from the dry dock and from cannon which had been captured by the Union Army and wanted to "shoot every man on the spot" who had been guilty of such a crime. As the Honorable Bouelle was shooting paper bullets at the confederate armies during the war, at long range the danger was not apparent to the desecrators of the Dry Dock and Cannon at Norfolk. But Wise of Virginia showed that the dry dock had never been destroyed and that no cannon bearing inscriptions had ever been in the yard. The little notion by which the Maine Yankee hoped to fight over the war was knocked in the head, and "another campaign he mailed." Bouelle had better go back to his newspaper.