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## LODGES.

Bellefonte Lodge No. 268, A. Y. M., meets on Tuesdays at 8 o'clock on the first Friday of every month.

Sells Chapter No. 241, meets on the first Friday night of every month.

Constant Commandery No. 33, K. T., on the second Friday night of every month.

Centre Lodge No. 135, I. O. O. F., meet every Thursday evening at 7 o'clock in L. O. O. F. Hall, opposite Bush House.

Bellefonte Encampment No. 72, meets the second and fourth Mondays of each month in the Hall opposite the Bush House.

Bellefonte Council No. 275, I. O. U. A. M., meets every Tuesday evening in Bush Arcade.

Logan Branch Council No. 141, Junior Order U. A. M., meets every Friday evening.

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Bellefonte Facchies Co., "B." 5th Reg. N. G. P., meets in Armory Hall every Friday evening.

## Bill Nye's Advice to Girls.

I am sorry to note that within the past few days several more people have married for a joke, among them a young lady, near Madison, Wis., who was out for a walk, and at the suggestion of a party named Foss, married him. The young lady, whose name was Foster, realizing that she could marry Foss without changing the letter on the tidy which she had already made, preparatory to keeping house, did not stop to consider the great responsibility which she assumed by marrying an unknown man but boldly launched herself upon the great foamy sea of matrimony.

Much has been said about this impromptu method of marriage, but still people go on encouraging divorce by hurriedly acquiring a husband from the great five cent counter of humanity.

Miss Foster, it seems, was the daughter of a millionaire who edits a saw mill in Wisconsin, and who could have boarded her as long as she lived.

To the casual observer it would seem that no temptation could woo a young lady from a home where all day long she could hear the squeal of the complaining saw mill and the snore of the planing mill, turning out matched flooring, 2x4 scantling and dressed culls, and yet Miss Foster forgot the buzz-saw, with which she has been prone to monkey, the gentle skid, the xxx shingle, the moist

slab, the gummy joist, the select fencing and its finishing lumber, in order to flee to the arms of a stranger.

Matrimony is, in all cases, a serious matter, but it is doubly serious when it is tampered with in a flippant and trifling manner on the start, only to bring sorrow, chagrin, complaint, answer, rejoinder, rejoinder; surrejoinder, rebuttal and surrebuttal, inharmony, parsimony and alimony at last.

Oh, girls, why will you do so? Why will you forget the sheltering arms of your parents to take up arms against a sea of trouble? Why will you turn your back on the lumber business to marry a man without change of of canes to his back? Why will you weary of the old home to seek out a stranger who will break your North American heart and send you down, perhaps, to a damp and undesirable drunkard's grave.

Try to get acquainted with the man whom you propose to wed. As you get more thoroughly acquainted, try to get a whiff on his breath. See that he is temperate. If you find that he loves the flowing bowl, and that his hot breath as it courses through his clenched teeth scorches the cotton in your ears, draw yourself to your full height, crack your heels together twice in rapid succession and go away. BILL NYE.

## Counterfeiting Napoleon.

Boucher, a famous violinist during the first quarter of the century, bore a singular resemblance to Napoleon in countenance and figure. One evening at St. Petersburg he played a concert, where the czar, Alexander I., was present.

Monsieur Aoucher, said the czar as the violinist was presented to him. I have a favor to ask of you. It is an affair, he continued, as Boucher bowed, unconnected with your profession.

I am wholly at your majesty's service, answered the violinist.

Well, come to the palace to-morrow morning at 12 precisely. You shall be shown into my cabinet, and I will then tell you the nature of the favor, which, if you will grant, will greatly oblige me.

The next day Boucher, on presenting himself at the palace; was ushered into the czar's private cabinet. The czar immediately led him into an adjoining apartment where he saw on a sofa a small, three cornered hat, a sword, the uniform of the French imperial guard, and a cross of an officer of the Legion of Honor.

I will explain the favor I have to request. All those objects you see there belonged to the Emperor Napoleon, but I did not expect to find the likeness so strong as it is. My mother often regrets that she never saw Napoleon, and what I wish you to do is to put on this dress and I will present you to her.

The czar withdrew and left Boucher to array himself in Napoleon's uniform. When he had dressed he was led to the apartment of the empress mother. The czar assured his mother that the illusion was complete, and that she might say she had seen the great man.—*Youths Companion.*

## A Noble Sentiment of a Famous Man.

The following eloquent passage from Governor Gordon's speech at Cleveland is not calculated to please wavers of the bloody shirt: "I shall not detain you by any defence of myself, nor shall I attempt to reply to the unwarranted, ungracious and ungentlemanly attacks upon my character. At Appomattox on the night of the 9th of April, when the air was still murky with the smoke of war, before we had been paroled, I sat on my horse and gathering around me the remains of my shattered army, I began to breathe the reunion of my country. I defy any man to put a finger upon one word which has escaped my lips since that time inconsistent with that declaration. God knows we have suffered enough by war. We do not want any more of it, but I have sometimes thought I would be willing to see one more war that we might march under the stars and stripes, shoulder to shoulder, against a common foe. If I could call the lightning down to-night, I would blast forever this horrible feeling of sectional hate.

The grading along the east side of Linn street adds greatly to the appearance of that street.

## Items of Interest.

An electrician in Boston has invented a fire-alarm signal-box by which each policeman can be known on turning a key, his name and number being sent in. The system will likely be adopted. It also registers the time a message is sent. In fact, it does everything but bring the patrol wagon.

Iron making is prospering in the South. At Sheffield five furnaces are in course of erection, at Birmingham seven, and at Bessemer two. The great trouble there is the want of coke and prospecting is going on for the purpose of finding the right kind of coking coal.

An electric yacht has just been built with the Edison appliances. The armature makes 1000 revolutions per minute. The criticism has been made that the rotation of the dynamo creates oscillation.

The Panama Canal builders are importing negroes from Liberia as they have been found to be proof against every disease of the canal locality. The Panama grave-yard is a very large one.

Minneapolis is becoming a very important manufacturing centre in the Northwest. Among the industries are boots and shoes clothing, paper, glass, brick, leather, and all kinds of planing-mill work. The reason is that power is cheap and the surrounding country is being built up very rapidly. The flour and lumber industries foot up \$40,000,000 per year.

Large quantities of Southern hardwoods are crowding their way into Northern markets. Poplar is being shipped to nearly every State north of the Ohio. Yellow pine is being shipped more largely every year, and cypress and sap are coming into more general use. It has been estimated that between 200 and 300 saw mills will be erected within the next six months in the Southern States. Pine land is being bought up both North and South, and it is a difficult matter now to find a large tract within an easy distance of a market.

In certain portions of Mexico a laborer can buy a peck of corn or wheat for a days work, and a sheep for a week's work. A mule represents a years work.

Karl Gerhardt, the sculptor, received \$8750 for his statue of Putnam, recently unveiled at Brooklyn, Conn.

The body of a woman buried at Cocksackie, N. Y. eight years ago was exhumed a few days since for reburial in another cemetery, when it was found to be petrified. The features appeared natural.

'Where have you been Mr. Boosby?' asked his irate wife early in the morning. Bin out watchin' the leekshun returns. Humph! that's a nice occupation for a man like you. 'My dear, don't you care nuzzin' about er (hic) plitical sthastun? you ought to know 'bout zhe returns.' 'I know all I want to about the election returns in your case they mean return home tipsy every time; now take off your boots and keep quiet or I'll call ma.'—*Washington Critic.*

Suits have been entered at Reading against the Bohemian Oats Association by a number of Berks county farmers, who allege that they have been swindled in their transactions with the association.

Alfred Sheets, of Haddonfield, has offered a reward for the capture of a tame wolf that came from Nebraska, and which escaped from the house a few days ago.

At Kansas City, Mo., on Tuesday morning a citizen heard water running in the bath-room of his house. Examination showed that a burglar had plundered the house, taken off an old suit, enjoyed a bath, put on some new clothes belonging to the house-owner, and escaped.

A young man at Tiffin, O., courted a young lady until 1 o'clock in the morning. When he started to go home he found the door fastened with wires so that he could not open it. When he tried to crawl out of a window he was arrested as a burglar and had to be identified by the girl.

Since the first of the month 10,602 men have gone on a strike.

Coal beds are being found in Mexico 4000 feet above the sea.

Rolled steel car wheels, will soon be made at Norristown. Four more silk-mills have been projected.

## Elephants as Lumbermen.

Lazy and clumsy-looking as the elephant appears in our menageries, where it is merely an object of curiosity in Asia it is as useful an animal as the horse, and is, indeed, employed in a greater variety of ways.

There are a few, if any, tasks which a horse can be trusted to perform without careful and constant guidance; whereas an elephant is frequently given as much independence of action as a man would have for the same work. This is notably the case in the lumber yards of Rangoon and Maulmein, where the entire operation of moving and piling the heavy timber is performed by male elephant without any special supervision by the keepers.

The logs to be moved are teak wood, which is very heavy. They are cut into lengths of twenty feet, with a diameter or perhaps a square of about a foot. An elephant will go to a log, kneel down, thrust his tusks under the middle of it, curl his trunk over it, test it to see that it is evenly balanced and then rise with it and easily carry it to the pile which is being made. Placing the log carefully on the pile in its proper place, the sagacious animal will step back a few paces and measure with his eye to determine whether or not the log needs pushing one way or the another. It will then make any necessary alteration of position. In this way, without a word of command from its mahout, or driver, it will go on with its work.

To do any special task it must of course be directed by the mahout, but it is marvelous to see how readily this great creature comprehends its instructions and how ingeniously it makes use of its strength. If a log too heavy to be carried is to be moved a short distance the elephant will bend low, place his great head against the end of the log, and then with a sudden exertion of strength and weight and throw his body forward and fairly push the log along; or, to move the log any great distance, he will encircle it with a chain and drag his load behind him.

As a rule, however, the work of dragging is done by the female elephants, since, having no tusks, they cannot carry logs as the male elephants do. A man could hardly display more judgment in the adjustment of the rope or chain around a log, nor could a man with his two hands tie and untie knots more skillfully than do they with their trunks.

## Classed as Contract Labor.

Postmaster Harrity attempted to play a joke on Superintendent John L. Grim of the Customs Inspectors yesterday, but, as it turned out, the fun which he expected to have was enjoyed at his expense by the Superintendent. In company with a party of friends Mr. Harrity went down the river and boarded the incoming Red Star Line steamship *Nederland*. When he attempted to land at the dock Superintendent Grim questioned him as he did the other passenger, asking his name, address and other particulars. Mr. Harrity told who he was, and said he had come from across the water to fulfill an agreement which he had made to conduct the Philadelphia Post Office.

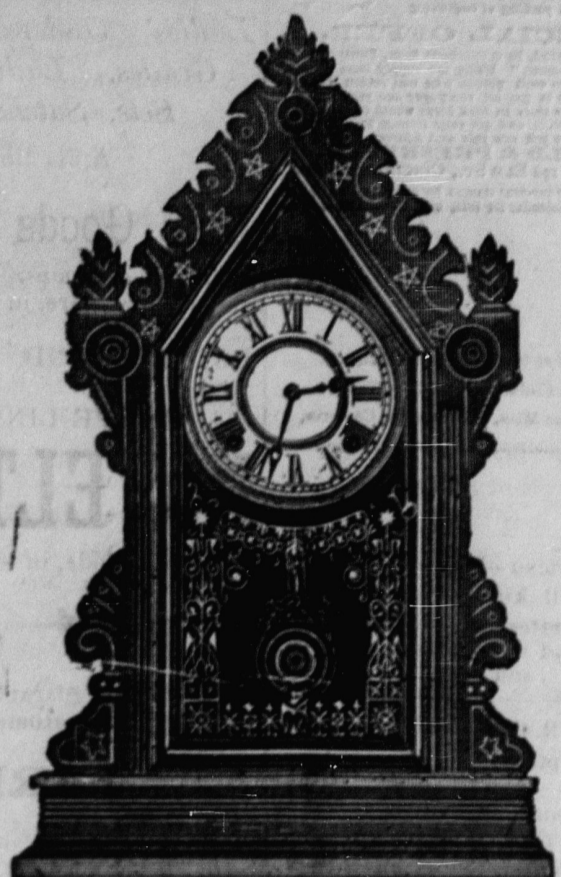
"Ah, I see; contract labor," said Superintendent Grim. "You may stand aside here."

"Yes, I am under contract to run that Post Office, and I intend to do it," said the Post master.

A couple of inspectors were summoned, and, amid the laughter of his friends, the Postmaster was placed in their charge. The Superintendent then walked off without a smile on his face. The Postmaster stood for some time on the wharf shivering in the chill wind and guarded by two inspectors until matters began to look dubious. Surveyor of the Port John M. Campbell, however learned of Mr. Harrity's predicament, and he rushed down to the wharf to vouch for his American citizenship and secure his release. Mr. Harrity still maintains, though, that he will run the Post Office as per contract.

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