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LOGGERS.

Bellefonte Lodge No. 258, A. Y. M., meets on Tuesday 1 o'clock on or before every full moon. Bellefonte Chapter No. 211, meets on the first Friday night of every month.

CHURCHES.

Presbyterian, Howard street, Rev. Wm. Laurie Pastor. Services every Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday School at 2:30 p. m. Prayer Meeting (Chapel) Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

—Advertise your business in the DEMOCRAT if you want people to know what you are doing. —The highest cash price paid for hides at A. Beezer & Son's meat market 48-3m.

SALE REGISTER.

PUBLIC SALE—On Wednesday, March 14th, 1888, at the Jenks' farm in Bennet township, (near Shiloh church) Horses, Cattle, Hogs and all Farming Implements etc., by George Henrich.

PUBLIC SALE—On Friday, March 16th 1888, on Boalsburg pike, (Valentine farm) residence of Thomas Frazier, Horses, Cattle, Hogs and all Farming Implements.

PUBLIC SALE—On Saturday, March 10th, at the residence of the late John S. Nell, three miles east of Bellefonte, in Spring township, all household Goods, one Mare, one Cow, one open Buggy, one Spring Wagon and all Farming Implements.

A Narrow Escape. A party crossing the river near Drury's Run on Friday afternoon had a very narrow escape from death. The ice broke with them in seven feet of water and only by extra efforts and the preservation of their presence of mind were they eventually rescued.

He Wasn't from Centre County. Supervisor, James Cullen of Spruce Creek, delights to nag Station Master Wilson, when he sees anyone dressed in outlandish costume, with the best that is from Centre county, the ancient stamping ground of the station master.

Then the stranger was interrogated, and he ascertained that he was born in Ireland, but was now a resident of British America, and engaged in hunting and trapping. On further conversation, Mr. Cullen learned that the stranger was born within eight miles of where he came from in Ireland and that he knew the Cullens well, and they were fond of horse-racing.

The Williamsport District of Young Men's Christian Association meets in Bellefonte on Friday evening, Rev. S. A. Taggart will be present and between 30 and 40 delegates will represent the various Associations in the District. The programme and places of meeting are given below.

FRIDAY. 7-00 p. m. Song service, in the Presbyterian chapel. 7-30 p. m. Address: The value of an Association as an aid to church work, by Rev. Saml. E. Webster, D. D. of Williamsport.

9:00 a. m. Devotional exercises, in Y. M. C. A. hall. 9:30 a. m. reports from Associations. 10:00 a. m. Business management in an Association. 10:30 a. m. Importance of personal efforts with methods.

SUNDAY. 9-00 a. m. Consecration meeting for men only, in Y. M. C. A. hall. 4:00 p. m. Gospel meeting for men, in Y. M. C. A. hall. 4:00 p. m. Meeting for women, in M. E. church, addressed by Rev. S. A. Taggart and others.

JOSEPH ALEXANDER RANKIN.

His Death on Wednesday Afternoon in this Place.

During several years the increasing feebleness of the late Joseph Alexander Rankin has confined him more or less closely to his home. His retirement from business and as a familiar figure on the street was marked in its effect, for seldom is one privileged to meet in business life one more simple and saintly in manner, disposition and action than he whose death we record to-day.

The deceased leaves a most affectionate and excellent family—a widow, three daughters and two sons. The daughters are Mrs. Chas. F. Cook and Misses Sarah and Carrie. W. B. Rankin is a son and the other son, John Rankin is at present in Pasadena, California.

Joseph Alexander Rankin was the son of William Rankin, who was one of the very early residents of this county. Of his father, William Rankin, the Centre County History contains the following record: "William Rankin was born in Franklin county, Nov. 5, 1770. He removed to Centre county and settled upon a farm two miles west of Potter's Mills.

John M. Rankin, injured by a threshing machine from effects of which he died. James Rankin, of Muncy deceased. Adam Rankin, of Muncy. Joseph Alexander Rankin, of Bellefonte. [The subject of this notice.] Archibald of Philadelphia. Abigail, who married, removed to Iowa.

All who are mentioned above, except Abigail, have passed away and Joseph Alexander was the last of the sons. He was 81 years of age in September of last year. He was born while his father resided near Centre Hill in this county.

Since he was seventeen or eighteen years of age he has been connected with the Presbyterian church, and his life has been so singularly consistent and pure that not a person has ever spoken a word against him. Oftentimes we have imagined that the life of the rest Christian should be so upright that the world could at once read his profession, faith and character in his face and action. This had its realization in Mr. Rankin as certainly as in any other person whom we ever met.

Mr. Rankin retained his faculties to the last. His eyesight was peculiarly good. His hand was steady and could guide the pen with ease, his penmanship being very legible. In every respect he was a remarkable man.—News. The funeral services were held in the Presbyterian church on Friday, at 3 o'clock, and was very largely attended.

Considerable noise has been made in relation to the conduct of the present sheriff towards a young lady at the residence of Mr. Lot Gross. We give the facts as we understand them and the affidavit of Mrs. Gross and Clara M. Kunes, the young lady in question. Mr. Cook is entitled to the benefit of the affidavit. The charges made by the mother of Miss Kunes when she employed a certain law firm of town to prosecute the sheriff, were that he had attempted to violate the person of Miss Kunes, the assault should have taken place at the house of Mr. Gross in Marion twp.

Before me, a justice of the peace in and for said county, personally appeared Mrs. Nannie Gross (wife of Lot W. Gross) and Clara M. Kunes, who being duly sworn according to law, do depose and say: We are acquainted with

Robt. Cooke, Jr., the present High Sheriff of Centre county. We have heard of a report being circulated through the community that Robt. Cooke Jr., attempted to commit an improper act at the home of Lot W. Gross, in Marion township, Centre county, on or about the 6th of January, 1888.

We have known Mr. Robt. Cooke, Jr., since our childhood. His wife is a sister of the said Lot W. Gross, the husband of affiant, the undersigned Nannie Gross. This affidavit is made to protect our own characters; it is made of our own free will, without any coercion or compulsion of any person or persons whatever, and further saith not.

A Trip to Washington via Pennsylvania Railroad—Low Rates and Special Train. In order that those who could not make it convenient to go in the previous excursion may have an opportunity of visiting Washington, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will run a second special excursion to Washington on Thursday, March 1st, 1888.

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