

LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

Cold weather and no snow. Mr. Ed. Chambers and family are home again from their visit to Kennet Square. The Undine ball on last Thursday evening was well attended. The receipts were large. The funeral of Jacob Showers, on last Friday afternoon was largely attended. His remains were taken to the Pleasant Gap cemetery for interment.

The cause of the cold weather was the thought that the Republicans would soon be in power at Washington and necessarily gave every body a severe chill.

Mr. O. W. Hoover, the former express agent at this place, has accepted a position in an office of the United States Express Company, located at 716 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

On last Friday evening a party of about fifty went to State College to attend the annual reception given by the members of the Washington literary society of that institution.

Company "B" will leave Bellefonte on Saturday evening at 5 p. m. for Washington, to attend the inauguration. They go to Tyrone on regular evening train and there join the 3th regiment train which leaves Tyrone at about 9 p. m.

We noticed that C. M. Bower, Esq., of this place, was the principal orator at the German exhibition given at Millheim last Friday evening. Another entertainment will be given Saturday evening of this week.

The Chinese company gave an entertainment in the Methodist Church last Friday evening and drew a large audience. They displayed the habits and customs of the Chinaman in an interesting manner.

A Hollidaysburg physician thinks that if the syrup given to the boys at the McAllister school were analyzed the cause of the trouble would be apparent, as the cheap syrups, as now sold, taken in excess will produce the same effects as does beer or whisky.

Messrs. George D. Bayard, F. K. Lukenbach, J. H. Harris and H. E. Jenkins were to Lock Haven last Friday evening to attend a reception at Mr. Josiah Caudor's residence. It is reported that they painted the town a vermilion hue and mashed all the pretty girls they met. It no doubt is a true bill.

The residence of John S. Yearrick, in Spring township, with most of its contents was destroyed by fire last Wednesday. Mr. Yearrick, in trying to save some of the goods, was painfully burned about the head and arms. This is the second disaster that has befallen Mr. Yearrick within two years, the other being at Jacksonsville.

Dr. C. T. VanTries, of Penna. Furnace, has moved to Bellefonte which he expects to make his future home. The Dr. was graduated from the University of Penna. some twenty years ago, but spent the past fall and winter at same institution reviewing and attending lectures in order to "brush up" and get acquainted with the modern idea of the profession.

In a late number of the American Field, Mr. S. K. Sober, the marksman offers D. W. F. Carver or any other man, expenses to meet him at Sunbury, Pa., any time next May, to shoot an exhibition match, the man scoring the most feats, to win a purse of \$500 a side. Mr. Sober's forfeit of \$500 is still up and no one has accepted the challenge at this date.

Easter Sunday will occur on the 21st of April this year which has happened but once before during the present century. Also during the century it has occurred or will occur on every day between March 23d and April 25th except March 24, which has not been, in the century. March has had or will have Easter Sunday twenty-three times while April will have it twenty-seven times.

Saturday evening and Sunday were the two coldest days of the season and took many a one by surprise. Sunday morning at some points in the town the thermometer was eight degrees below zero. The Steam Heating Company were taxed to their utmost in order to keep the people comfortably warm, but were equal to the occasion. Water pipes suffered in all sections and the plumbers were kept quite busy.

We would call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of the Union Roofing Co. in another column of the paper. Messrs. Harry Bush and B. G. Davies are the members of the firm with their main office in Pruner Block, Tyrone but are doing business throughout central Pennsylvania. They handle all kinds of roofing material and at prices that will suit all. Any of our readers who may need anything in their line will do well to correspond with them.

RAY KNOCKED OUT.

KEICHLINE BEATS THE RING AGAIN.

How It Happened—An Honest Election Board Refused to Count an Illegal Vote—Sustained By the Court.

That little ray of sunshine, That little ray of hope, Raised for a contest, Sent "Ray" up in smoke.

The boodle organ has made a great ado about the election board of the South Ward refusing to count an illegal and fraudulent vote. That the vote was illegal there is not now and never was any doubt except in the minds of a few corrupt republicans. The election board of the South Ward did only their duty in refusing to count an illegal and fraudulent vote. The person offering the vote was not registered; the board of their own knowledge of the voter were satisfied that he was not qualified to vote; and the voter did nothing to qualify himself to vote.

The republicans never willing to give up an election, always willing to steal, buy or hold stolen or bought offices, undertook to compel the election board of the South Ward to count a fraudulent and illegal vote by applying to Court for a mandamus commanding the board to count the vote, thrown out, because it had by mistake, in the press and hurry to receive votes, been placed in the ballot box. When the time for hearing came all the gang who think they run the republican party gathered into the Court House to see the South Ward election board knocked out, but to their utter amazement the Court, being just and fair, knocked the ring out and sustained the action of the election board.

And how the organ of slum and filth squeals! It would have the people believe that Fortney and other democrats used whiskey, on the day of the election, to accomplish the election of Mr. Keichline. These charges are worse than nonsense and made by a man who never had a spark of honor or principle. Mr. Keichline is sober, temperate and as honorable as Mr. Ray.

To see how nicely the ring fell under the blow of the Court we quote from the opinion of the Court filed. "We cannot compel the election board of this district to certify and return a vote, as accepted and received, which the majority swore they did not receive. It matters not whether the board legally or illegally rejected the vote. We can only require these officers to return and certify what they did, and no more." The Court could not pass upon the merits of the case in a proceeding to compel the officers to do a thing which was wholly within the power of the election board, and it does not attempt to do so.

It is true that if the ballot had gone into the box unquestioned, if the election board, when they placed the ballot in the box, had placed it there without question, and its legality in no manner raised they would have had no right to throw it out. The election officers in their answer say, "that the vote was never legally in the ballot box, that the vote had been rejected by the election board because the name of the person presenting the vote was not on the registry list and no legal or sufficient evidence of the right of the person presenting ballot No. 28 to vote at the election was presented to the board." "That in the hurry and press to receive the ballots of other persons desiring to vote the inspector by mistake placed ballot No. 28 in the ballot box, and when it was discovered, and that was immediately, that the ballot had been by mistake put in the ballot box it was determined that the ballot should be laid aside and not counted."

There is no use for the devilish abuse and tirade made by the organ, against men who fairly and honestly discharged their public duty. Mr. Keichline is the choice of the people for collector of taxes. The republicans having from 100 to 150 majority in the borough at general election, if this candidate had been acceptable to the people, we would now have a republican tax collector. Too much ring, too much organ, and the kind of whisky furnished by Rankin, Brown & Co. will kill any candidate.

An Argument for Prohibition.

Aaron Devinney, a resident of Phillipsburg, Pa., who has been lumbering for some time near Penfield Clearfield county, was found dead Saturday about 12 o'clock about five miles from Clearfield. He had started to drive home Saturday afternoon about 2 o'clock, in company with two other men and teams from there. Devinney stopped at a hotel while the others went on and it is thought he became intoxicated that he did not know what he was doing. When found his horses were unbridled and hitched to a tree, while he had evidently laid down on the seat. He was brought to his home to-day on the train and will be buried here.

With several hundred extra copies of the Daily News, and its dirty article, a big hack and a lot of carriages the Republican trio got left worse than ever. No use in bucking against public sentiment and the inevitable.

Ten thousand people, the largest crowd ever in the White House on the evening attended the last public reception of President and Mrs. Cleveland.

DEATH OF A. C. HINTON.

On last Saturday evening Centre county lost one of its old and well known citizens in the death of Mr. Austin C. Hinton, of Moshannon, Pa. Mr. Hinton was about 74 years old and possessed a strong and vigorous constitution for a man of that age, and had what seemed to be the promise of a long lease of life before him, but death came sooner than was expected. He had been out driving a short time previous and on account of the excessive cold weather his face was first bitten and brought on erysipelas which terminated fatally on Saturday last.

Mr. Hinton was a prominent man in his section and a leader among his fellowmen. He was commissioner of Centre county from 1872 to 1875 and conducted the office in a creditable manner. He was a democrat in politics and a man of decided opinions; was well read and his information and views upon public questions were sound. He possessed more than an ordinary degree of intelligence. Along with these qualities, he was what we might term a great, big hearted man and of a kindly disposition towards all. He could refuse no man of anything he possessed and would share his last with his poor and suffering. In his death a noble man passes from amongst us and will long be remembered by all who learned to know him.

The interment took place on Wednesday noon. A large body of the I. O. O. F. of which he was a member, from this place, Milesburg, Howard, and many others attended the funeral.

Death of Gabriel Jones Pile.

It is extremely sad to see a young man, who is at the full vigor of manhood and in the prime of life, suddenly prostrated and taken away by the dread hand of death. With the prospect of many years before him, and what might have been a life of usefulness so suddenly terminated, makes one realize that death is on every hand.

The announcement of the death of Gabriel Jones Pile on Saturday was a surprise to all who knew him. "Jack" as he was familiarly known, was employed as delivery clerk at S. & A. Loeb's and was well known throughout the town and bore the reputation of being industrious and honest young man and of most estimable qualities. The cause of his illness is supposed to have been due to a strain or bruise on one of his limbs which became aggravated and resulted in blood poisoning. He was sick for about a week and at no time were any serious suits apprehended. On Saturday noon his mother approached the bedside and asked him how he felt and he replied that he was faint, and asked to have a pillow placed back of his head. In trying to raise him she noticed a sudden change the vital spark had flown while in the arms of a loving parent. His face bore a peaceful smile, and was the true index of his life and character.

The young man would have been 24 years of age had he lived until the 22 of April 1889.

The funeral services took place on Tuesday afternoon from the residence on Howard street.

Half Rates to Washington via Pennsylvania Railroad, allowing stop-off in Baltimore.

In order to afford visitors to the inauguration all possible privileges, and at the same time give them the benefit of the very low rates which have been fixed for this occasion, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets to Washington on February 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, March 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, from all stations on its system, at a single fare for the round trip. These tickets will admit of a stop-off in Baltimore in either or both directions, thus enabling passengers by this route to visit both cities. The return coupons of the excursion tickets are valid for use until and including March 7th. This rate, in view of the liberal conditions it bears and the magnificent service which the Pennsylvania Railroad affords, is the lowest ever offered under similar circumstances. For information as to the movement of regular and special trains, and for specific rates from each station, apply to ticket agents of the company.

Drowned at Huntingdon.

Last Thursday night at about 10.30 o'clock D. C. Brumbaugh, of Huntingdon, while walking on the bank of the canal, back of the Broad Top railway depot, fell into the canal, having rolled over the bank backwards breaking the ice, his head under the water, with feet and hands exposed. Deep moanings were heard, but before assistance could be rendered life had departed. The deceased had been drinking and was intoxicated at the time he met his sad death. He leaves a wife and two children.

Messrs. Mankay & Sons, of Williamsport, who were contemplating the establishment of a furniture and wood working factory in that city, have been prospecting at DuBois. They offered the DuBois people to put \$50,000 in a \$50,000 plant, to employ from 100 to 150 men, if the citizens of DuBois would put in \$20,000, two-thirds of which they were to take in stock, leaving \$8,000 as a donation. This has not been accepted, and now Lock Haven wants its board of trade to investigate the matter and secure the location of the plant there if meritorious.

TO THE BOROUGH COUNCIL.

On Monday next under the laws of the Commonwealth the Borough Council will meet to organize. Plain common people and people in moderate circumstances never have received any consideration from the town council and likely never will. While this is true, as the council is about to organize, we want to say a word to the incoming council.

You should first of all in selecting men to fill the positions you have at your command, elect fair minded, honest, diligent and intelligent men. Men who will treat citizens of the Borough at least with ordinary decency and respect. For years the council have imposed upon the borough a man for Street Commissioner, who knows nothing about the proper care and repairs of the streets, who cannot make a crossing, and who for real impudence, insolence and disagreeable manners toward citizens in the ordinary walks of life is unparalleled in the history of this or any other town of the state. It should not only be your duty but your pleasure also, to appoint for Street Commissioner a man who will treat all of our citizens with, at least, ordinary decency. We know that Schaugency was made Street Commissioner to get him to vote the Republican ticket, we know he has been kept in that position, not because he is fit for it, but because as long as he is kept there, he will continue to vote the Republican ticket. We think he has held the position long enough to vote the Republican ticket the balance of his life without being further bribed to do so by longer continuing him as Street Commissioner. We don't expect you (members of the Council) to elect anything but a Republican for Street Commissioner, but we have a right to expect that out of the more than 500 Republicans in this borough you will elect a man fairly polite, with respectability enough about himself to treat our citizens with at least moderate decency. There are such men in the Republican party and they are competent to make good Street Commissioners.

A REPUBLICAN.

What a Judicial Contest Cost.

It has been estimated that the judicial contest in this county will cost \$100 for every day that it continues. The prosecution will take up more than three months time in presenting their case, and of course the defense will be allowed the same length of time. This will cost the taxpayers of county \$18,000, and this does not include many incidental expenses connected with the contest such as providing new ballot-boxes, etc. —Williamsport Item.

Fires at Eagleville.

Last Wednesday night about one o'clock the House of Mrs. W. A. Ridge, at Eagleville, was destroyed by fire. There was a small insurance on the building.

Last Friday the house of Mrs. Nancy Kunes was burned. Nearly all the household goods were destroyed. A trunk in which there was \$80 in money was burned. There was no insurance on the building or contents.

With blood in his eye and clenched fist, an individual approached the editor last Saturday and wanted to know who wrote that article on the borough election in last week's paper. He claimed that he had been grossly insulted and maligned and would give us the preference of an humble apology or a licking. The cause of this was a sentence which read "by such men as Bill Shortidge, Brack Powell and Napoleon Brown." He said his name was Brack Powell and that he was not guilty of associating with such men and had discarded them long ago for better company. We don't mind taking a licking—editors are accustomed to that—but in justice to Mr. Brack Powell would say that we were mistaken, and most humbly beg the gentlemen pardon for associating his fair name with that of Shortidge and Rankin. Mr. Powell is one of Bellefonte most highly respected colored citizens and a gentleman in the true sense of the word.

The highly satisfactory entertainment given in the Gregg Post Rooms for the benefit of the fund of the Post, and, in honor of the 22nd anniversary of the birth of "the father of his country," was so successful that the Com. of Gregg Post having the affair in charge, seek the first opportunity through the papers to extend their gratitude to the citizens of Bellefonte and vicinity who contributed the supplies as well as to those whose palates were tempted to again test by this patronage the cuisine of Gregg Post Restaurant. Never has the business of furnishing and conducting the "restaurant" passed off so pleasantly.

Comrades outside of town were very liberal, generally forwarding what was needed. Pleasant Gap, Spring Mills, and even so far away as Snyderstown, they generously responded to the call for supplies.

COMMITTEE.

—Prof. Scull, the band teacher, arrived in town on Monday morning and expects to remain several weeks, giving instructions to our band boys. Bellefonte now has a good band and in a short time expect to see it the best in this section of the state.

A BRUTE WITH A CLUB.

A LITTLE BOY TERRIBLY BEATEN BY HIS GUARDIAN.

Cruelty that Demands Severe Punishment. —A Case with Few Equals—A Brute, not a Guardian.

The following account of the brutal punishment inflicted upon a child in Union county, is given in the Middleburg Post of last week: Wilson Taylor, a dwarf, aged seventeen, and a charge of Buffalo township, Union county, was brought here by his step-brother, George Lytown on Tuesday on complaint of having been brutally beaten by Henry Walburn, who has him in charge. An examination of the child's body so conclusively proved the truth of the charge that he was immediately taken to New Berlin, examined and papers taken out for the arrest of Walburn. The editor of this paper called to see the boy on Tuesday evening at the residence of James Buffington and was astonished at the evidence of torture found on the child's body. The boy is evidently weak minded, is a tiny little fellow hardly weighing forty-five pounds. On Saturday evening last he met with a mishap common to children, when he stated that Walburn striped him naked and went at him with a hickory whisp. His right leg presents a sickening appearance. Is one mass of confused and lacerated flesh from the hip to the ankle. How any one could administer such terrible blows on so tiny a limb without breaking the bone is a mystery to all who see it. He stood before us and scratched the scabs with his nails and said they itched. "But this hurts," he continued as he tenderly touched a dark blue welt on his thigh where the presence of the spare muscle had prevented the cruel rod from breaking the skin and letting out the blood. We asked no questions—the sight was sufficient. If a man whipped a horse like that in our presence we would be tempted to knock him down, but the thought that such a fend like this man Walburn should be allowed the charge of a boy like this is beyond our ken. We want to see him get a dose of law that will make him feel as though he had swallowed a young cyclone.

Me and Brown.

The following conversation took place between a Republican and politician Rankin, a day before the borough election:

Republican: "See here Rankin; did you hear that Brouse is coming out as an independent candidate for Chief Burgess? Some think he'll make it." Rankin: "Get out! They can't beat ME and Brown and our ticket."

—License court will be held Tuesday next, March 5th.

—C. M. Bower Esq., and family have been in Philadelphia the past week.

—A Hungarian had his leg taken off by a train, Wednesday, on the Buffalo Run railroad.

—Rubertie, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cessa, living on east Lamb street died on last Saturday night, and was buried on Tuesday afternoon.

—On last Sunday the roof on one of the buildings at the Glass Works was discovered to be on fire and under good headway. By hard work the men managed to get control of the flames and were soon extinguished. No alarm was sounded.

—You may have the stars in a nail keg, hang the ocean on a rail fence to dry, put the sky to soak in a gourd and unbuckle the belt of eternity and let the sun and moon out, but don't think you can escape the place that lies on the other side of purgatory if you don't pay your subscription.—Georgia Enterprise.

John G. Fox, aged 53, of Lock Haven and Mrs. Catharine Close, of Cedar Springs, aged 85, are recent Clinton county deaths.

John Shannon, a Frenchman, committed suicide, at Greensburg, Westmoreland county, after receiving a threatening note from White Caps.

J. M. Atkins, of Siglerville, Mifflin county, lost three yearling calves by being drowned in the creek from which he had been cutting ice.

Peter Guisewhite, an old trapper, of Decatur, township, Mifflin county, while setting a large bear trap, accidentally touched the set and it closed, taking off two of his fingers.

There is a peculiar disease among the chickens in Decatur township, Mifflin county. They have tendency to turn the head around so that the bill points upward, and they soon die.

The school houses of Mifflin and Patterson will be flagged to-day by the Patriotic Sons of America and the American Mechanics.

The dogs of Westmoreland county destroyed, during the year 1888, \$4,700 worth of sheep. The owners paid \$1,000 tax. Difference paid sheep owners out of county treasury \$3,700. Net loss to county \$3,700.

A sleigh stolen from J. F. Hayes, of Reedsville Mifflin county, by Mat Walker, who now languishes in the Lewis-town jail, was recovered in Porter township, Huntingdon county last Friday.

HENDERSON STEEL.

The experiment of making steel from the pig iron of Alabama at a very reasonable cost has at last been practically solved by the Henderson process. To test the process, during the spring of 1888 a company erected a small furnace, lining it with the best ordinary fire-brick. The result of the iron made was, first, that steel of the finest quality as well as soft steel could be made, but the test demonstrated also that the fire-brick used could not withstand the heat. The company was not discouraged, but doubled its capital to \$40,000. With this it imported magnesia brick from Germany, and made a furnace of about 14 tons capacity a day. This new furnace was put into blast on November 29, 1888, and has since been running continuously and without any injury to the magnesia brick. The cost of making the finest steel by this process and by this company, limited as its plant is, will not exceed \$22 per ton. Heretofore steel could not be made out of the low grade iron of the Birmingham and St. Louis districts by any process known which did not cost too much; but it looks now as if there would be a great revolution in Southern iron, and also in the steel business of Pennsylvania, as its iron will have energetic competition from Alabama. There is ore and coal enough, however, in the latter State to absorb all the Pennsylvania manufactures which desire to change their base of operation.

The inventor, Mr. Henderson, at one time wanted to establish his improved steel works at Bellefonte, but left on account of not receiving the proper encouragement.

CRACKING A SAFE IN PUBLIC.

The Sunday observance at the Star Theatre, New York, was the cracking of a safe on a wager by the professionals who are employed in the realistic drama that will hold the boards there this week. A safe company furnished a safe and bet \$500 that it could not be safely "blown" upon the stage. Messrs. "Spike" Henderson and "Kid" McCoy, artists, whose names equally adorn the roll of the rogues' gallery at police headquarters and the programs of the play, the safe company is out \$500, and this highly moral and instructive drama got a splendid free advertisement.

A young man named Frank Sommon, was killed at Lewistown Thursday morning. He was unmarried and it is supposed he fell from the top of a freight car and was crushed by the cars. He lived in Altoona.

Tribute of Respect.

At a meeting of Washington Grange, No. 157, held Feb. 23, 1889 the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, On the 15 inst, it pleased God in his allwise Providence to call to his long home our worthy and esteemed brother George Meyers, which has cast a deep gloom on our Grange and this community—

WHEREAS, He was a valued member of our order, an active and zealous worker in the church and a most excellent citizen, always ready to do that which would elevate man to his highest moral standing,

Therefore be it Resolved, That while we mourn our loss we bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well

Resolved, That we extend our kindest sympathies to the bereaved family and friends, and bid them seek consolation in his teachings, while with them in life

Resolved, That our charter be draped for sixty days, that these resolutions be entered on the minutes of the Grand, and a copy be sent to the bereaved family and also to be published in the CENTRE DEMOCRAT, Democratic Watchman and Farmers Friend.

JOSEPH GATES, JNO. T. MCCORMICK, WM. TANNYER, Com.

MARRIED.

KORMAN-FISHERN—At the parsonage, Boalsburg, Pa., by Rev. W. A. Trankle, Mr. Ley, man Korman to Miss A. W. Fishburn, both of Centre Co., Pa.

JOHNSTONBAUGH-YEARICK—On the 14th February, 1889, at the home of the bride, Hubersburg, by Rev. J. A. Yearick, assisted by Rev. T. R. Land, Dr. C. L. Johnstonbaugh of Milton, to Miss Sue E. Yearick, daughter of the late Rev. W. R. Yearick.

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