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### Editorial.

"TUSSEY'S MOUNTAIN" takes its name from Elizabeth Tussey, a bold, fearless adventurer in the Juniata region in colonial times.

ACCORDING to ground-hog-day theorists we were to have mild weather the remainder of the winter season. According to the way mercury stands these days the ground hog is not a safe sign.

THE Reading railroad stock took a decided slump on Monday and the company affairs were turned over into the hands of a receiver. A number of Bellefonte capitalists held Reading stocks and like others got badly pinched.

Gov. McKinley, of Ohio, is in hard luck. He endorsed for a friend and he will be compelled to sacrifice about \$40,000 of his property to meet his obligations. The various governors of Ohio have been in financial straits. There should be a financial mascot connected with that honorable position.

THE form of ballot used at the elections on Tuesday were as a general rule about eight by ten inches in size and convenient to handle. Voters did not find it difficult to mark them and there was plenty of room in the booths for handling. Hereafter in county and state elections the ballots will seldom be any larger than those used on Tuesday. The only exception being when long lists of presidential electors for a number of parties must be printed on the ballot, that it assumes an immense size that is very unhandy. The Baker Ballot with a few improvements as previously suggested has come to stay. The voters generally approve of it.

### U. S. SENATE DEMOCRATIC.

Despite the fact that the Republicans in the Legislature of North Dakota have two majorities on joint ballot, that body on Monday elected W. N. Roach, Democrat, as United States Senator to succeed Lyman R. Casey, Republican. The outcome is the result of Republican dissension which could not be healed. Mr. Roach, who resides at Grand Forks, is a native of London County, Virginia, but lately became a resident of Washington, D. C., where he married and where he was for a time cashier of the Citizens National Bank.

44 DEMOCRATS IN THE SENATE.  
There were smiles of satisfaction on Democratic faces about the capitol at Washington this week, at the news that a Democratic Senator had been elected in North Dakota. This assures the party 44 straight Democratic votes in the Senate and control of that body, even if Wyoming and Montana should fail to send Democrats. But in Wyoming Governor Osborne will appoint a Democrat and it is to be expected that the Montana Legislature will finally elect another Democrat. These with Kyle, of South Dakota, who is classed as a good enough Democrat by his colleagues of that party, and Allen, of Nebraska, who will vote with the Democrats on organization and all political questions, give the Democrats 48 votes and assure them of being able to run the Senate without much friction.

Mr. Roach, the new Senator from North Dakota, is spoken of in the highest terms there by all who know him. Republicans frankly admit their admiration for him.

### State Taxes.

The amount of State taxes collected through local authorities in several counties for 1892 was \$2,365,980.61, an increase of \$617,540.95. The total county debt for the year closed has decreased from \$84,773,192 to \$63,002,502. There are 16 counties which have no debts of any kind. Fifty-six of the 67 counties during the year have expended \$1,172,916.66 for the support of the poor. To this should be added \$486,722.69 expended for the support of county almshouse.

Fifty-eight counties report as collected for school purposes \$9,898,837. This is independent of the \$5,000,000 annually appropriated from the State Treasury for the same purpose.

### Wants the Capitol Removed.

We have received a marked copy of the Pittsburgh Dispatch, which gives space to the ideas of James Wolfenden, of Clinton county, on removing the capitol from Harrisburg to Nittany Valley, near Bellefonte.

## DOINGS AT WASHINGTON.

### DEMOCRATS ARE SATISFIED WITH THE CABINET.

Preparations for the Inauguration—Judge Jackson Confirmed—Important Bills Being Considered.

A specimen of disgruntled republican statesmanship is now being given the country by the administration in the manner in which it is dallying with the critical financial situation. Instead of taking some decided step towards relief Mr. Harrison and Secretary Foster are simply doing nothing, being perfectly satisfied if they can stave off the crisis until they have turned the government over to the democrats, thinking thus to escape responsibility for any trouble that may then come. This is worse than cowardly; it is criminal. The people of this country are not idiots; they will know where to place the responsibility should the inaction of this administration result in anything like a financial panic, which heaven forbid.

President-elect Cleveland has now announced all of the members of his cabinet except the Attorney General and the Secretary of the Navy. He has not pleased all of the democrats in Congress, no President ever did or ever will please all of his party in making up a cabinet, but if the dissatisfaction is any greater than it has been in the dominant party when every cabinet for twenty years past has been announced your correspondent has failed to locate it all. It must be remembered in considering this matter that Mr. Cleveland has introduced something entirely new in politics by announcing the members of his cabinet as fast as they are determined upon, thus giving the opposition a chance to appear much greater than it really is, by reason of its being presented to the public in sections, as it were. The objection to Judge Gresham, which at first appeared to be very formidable, is growing less and less, now that its authors have taken time to think of the justice of giving the many thousand independent votes that were cast for Mr. Cleveland representation in the cabinet. There is no opposition to Carlisle as Secretary of the Treasury; Bissell, as Postmaster General; Morton as Secretary of Agriculture, or Lamont as Sec. of War, and the little opposition that has been expressed to Hoke Smith for Sec. of the Interior has mostly come from Western men who think a Western man would have been better than a Georgian for that position. And not a single word has been uttered by anybody against the fitness of the gentlemen named for these positions, and after all is not that the principle object aimed at by every President in selecting a cabinet. If Mr. Cleveland will fill the two remaining vacancies with old wheel horses of democracy your correspondent predicts that the cabinet as a whole will be cordially approved by ninety-five per cent of the democratic party.

Vice-President-elect Stevenson will be in Washington this week to remain until after the inauguration. One man paid \$500 for one hundred seats in the stand which faces the reviewing stand from which Mr. Cleveland will review the inaugural parade, which promises to be the largest ever seen. The treaty annexing Hawaii, sent to the Senate last week, has been favorably reported. It is probable, but not certain, that it will be ratified at this session. The uncertainty arises from the belief of some of the Senators on both sides that it should be left for the next session. Not a single vote was cast against the confirmation of the nomination of Judge Jackson to the Supreme Court. It is understood that democratic Senators were assured the vacancy made by his promotion would not be filled by Mr. Harrison.

Senator Voorhees is strongly in favor of the amendment to the Sundry Civil Appropriation bill, authorizing the Sec. of the Treasury to issue 3 per cent five year bonds, up to \$50,000,000, whenever in his judgment it may be desirable to do so, for the purpose of adding to the gold reserve. He thinks that the authority will never need to be exercised, because the mere fact that it exists will give stability and inspire confidence throughout the world in our finances. The Senator says there is no connection between this and the Silver question, notwithstanding the efforts made by some to make it thus appear. The amendment, already adopted by the Senate, will, it is believed, get through the House unless the opposition shall conclude to talk it to death. The Senate voted down the House amendment to the Sundry Civil Ap-

propriation bill prohibiting the payment of expenses incurred for warrants, arrests or prosecutions under the laws relating to the election of Members of Congress. This matter will come up again when the bill gets in conference, but it is not believed that the democrats will be inclined to fight very stubbornly for the restoration of the amendment, because they believe to a man that the whole system of federal supervision of elections will be wiped out by the next Congress.

There will be no Pension reform at this session. The only result of the Pension discussion was some bad language and an attempt to exchange blows by two members on the floor of the House.

### Game Laws.

At a joint meeting of the game and fish committee of the senate and house held last week it was unanimously decided to report affirmatively a bill providing for the taking of game as follows: Rabbits, quail, pheasants, wild turkeys, deer and grouse from October 15 to December 15; rail and reed birds from September 1 to December 15; ducks, geese and other wild fowls from September 1 to May 1. The committee, after hearing a number of gentlemen discuss the woodcock question, decided to amend the bill so that woodcock can be taken from July 4 to August 4 and also that these birds can be taken from October 15 to December 15.

The bill also provides that no game shall be sold whether killed in or out of the state after January 1 of every year. The granger scalp act allowing bounties for panthers, skunks, foxes, minks, weasels, hawks and owls was favorably considered. Dr. Tool's bill which provides for the erection of eel weirs in August, September and November, was passed with affirmative recommendation.

### Killed Instantly.

Joseph Kemmerer and his son John and Samuel Raubach were engaged in sliding logs down the mountain in a newly built log-slide in Sugar Valley on Thursday of last week. The day was quite cold and the ground was covered with a thick crust of ice. The logs run down the mountain side with almost the speed of lightning, but the men were careful to remain out of their way. Everything went nicely until towards evening, when a log jumped out of the slide and struck Mr. Kemmerer very forcibly, killing him instantly. His funeral took place on Sunday the 12th, followed by a large concourse of mourners and sympathizing friends.

### Difficulty With His Throat.

An exchange says: Gen. D. H. Hastings, who is so prominent as a candidate for the republican nomination for governor of Pennsylvania, has for some time past suffered with an affection of the throat and is under medical treatment for that difficulty. Consequently, he is not accepting any invitations to speak. The general is so robust in health and so fluent in speech that such a difficulty is one least expected to occur and it is to be hoped that he will very quickly recover the full use of his vocal organs.

### Death of Henry Showers.

On last Friday Henry Showers, Jr., of near Zion, died of typhoid fever, after an illness of about one week. The deceased leaves a wife and six children to mourn their loss. Mr. Showers was one of Zion's most respected citizens, and the family have the sympathy of the entire community. He was a member of the Lutheran church of that place. The interment occurred on Monday in the Zion cemetery.

### To Turbutville.

The Centre Hall Reporter says: Our fellow citizen and ex-treasurer, D. C. Keller, will make sale March 17, and then go to Turbutville, where he will run a hotel. Having been a landlord years ago, Dan will know how to keep a hotel. We lose a good citizen.

### Hotel Man Dead.

Colonel Charles Duffey, proprietor of the Park Hotel, at Williamsport, fell dead on the streets of that city, on Monday morning, due to an attack of apoplexy. He was connected with the Continental Hotel of Philadelphia for over twenty years and was widely known.

### Death of Mrs. Kreamer.

Mrs. Hannah, wife of Monroe Kreamer, died on Saturday afternoon at her home on East Howard street. She was about 32 years of age, and for a long time had been confined to her bed with consumption. She leaves a husband and four children to mourn their loss. The funeral took place on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock.

## THE READING'S FALL.

### The Great Combine in the Hands of Receivers.

### THE BEGINNING OF THE DECLINE.

The Legal Objections Raised in New Jersey, and the Subsequent Dissolution of the Central-Reading Deal, Precipitated the Calamity.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 21.—The affairs of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad company were brought into court late yesterday afternoon. All day there had been rumors on the street that receivers were to be appointed. The offices of the United States circuit court were constantly besieged by newspaper men and parties interested in Reading matters, who were eager to obtain the latest news.

About 3:30 o'clock Attorney John G. Johnson and Lawyer Thomas Hart, Jr., made their appearance and were joined a long time with Judge Dallas in the court chambers. Clerk of the Court Bell was kept busy going to and fro, but could not give out any news until something official had been done. This did not take place until a few minutes past 4 o'clock, when the announcement was made that Judge Dallas had made the appointments. The proceeding was brought by ex-Senator Thomas C. Platt, of New York, a holder of third preference bonds against the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad company, the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron company and the Pennsylvania Company for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities, of this city.

The receivers appointed were Archibald A. McLeod, the president of the company; Chief Justice Edward M. Paxson, of the supreme court, and Elisha P. Wilbur, ex-president of the Lehigh Valley Railroad company. Justice Paxson at once sent his resignation as chief justice of the supreme court of Pennsylvania to Governor Patison.

The security of each receiver was fixed at \$500,000, for which they are to enter their own bond. George L. Crawford was appointed master.

A similar bill, it is said, is to be filed at Trenton, N. J.

The order of the court provides that the receivers shall continue to operate the properties of the combine, pay the expenses of the same, and report "with all convenient speed" the condition of the properties.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—The dissolution of the Reading combination was begun by the opposition of the New Jersey authorities and the courts to the formation of a coal trust. Although Mr. McLeod and his associates pooh poohed the opposition for a while, they finally had to give way to it, and a complete severance of the relations between the Reading and Jersey Central was announced. The facts relating to the Reading's incursion into New England, the series of brilliant moves which apparently placed the new Poughkeepsie bridge, the Boston and Maine railroad, the New York and New England railroad and the Connecticut River railroad in the control of the great combination are still familiar events in the public mind.

It was this New England extension, which practically was a declaration of war against the powerful New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad corporation, that caused the successive uprising of obstacles over which Mr. McLeod had been stumbling for the past few months. By invading the territory of the consolidated system he antagonized strong financial interests represented by Drexel, Morgan & Co., which at the outset was his most powerful backer. The relations between Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan and the Reading management at once became strained, and it was not long before Mr. McLeod found his feet slipping off his financial basis.

### Down an Embankment.

PALMYRA, N. Y., Feb. 21.—Train No. 5 on the West Shore railroad was derailed a mile east of Palmyra, and was thrown down an embankment eighteen feet high yesterday. Only one man was killed. He was an unknown passenger from Chicago, about 45 years old. His body was cut in two. Twelve persons were injured, the most seriously hurt being Engineer Pearsall. Others dangerously hurt were Frederick Lewis, a German butcher, of New York, who had his arm cut off; Theodore Ridgway, Trenton, N. J., arm cut off; will die; signal man on train, arm cut off.

### Race Track Men Win.

TRENTON, Feb. 21.—The three race track bills which were introduced Monday night were reported favorably to the house of assembly yesterday, and the report was promptly adopted by the house. Mr. Studer, of Essex, presented a minority report, and said he wished to enter his protest and that of the minority of the house against the demoralizing practice of horse racing. A resolution by Mr. Lane providing for a public hearing was defeated by 34 to 32, and the bills were finally passed by a vote of 33 to 32.

### A Defaulting Exile's Return.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—John C. Eno, the absconding president of the Second National bank, who had been a fugitive in Canada since 1884, returned to this city yesterday and surrendered himself. He appeared before Commissioner Shields and was released in \$30,000 bail. The specific charges on which he was held is the misappropriation of \$500,000 belong to Arthur Dyett and Abraham R. L. Morton. The indictment found against Eno after his absconding charges the misappropriation of \$2,400,000.

### Anna Dickinson Sues for Libel.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—Miss Anna E. Dickinson, through her attorneys, has commenced four actions for libel against four morning papers of this city. The articles claimed as libelous were published about the time that Miss Dickinson claimed she was forcibly and wrongfully taken to and incarcerated in the asylum for the insane at Danville, Pa., and the parts she claims as libelous are those wherein she is described as a raving maniac. In each case damages are laid at \$50,000.

## FOR YOUNG LADIES.

### AN INTERESTING LETTER FOR THEM.

The True Sphere of Woman and What She Can Accomplish—The Advantage of an Education—Evils of Novel Reading—Woman's Influence.

[The following is a copy of a letter received by a young lady of Bellefonte, from her cousin, a gentleman of more advanced years. The letter came into our possession by chance, and finding in it such noble sentiment and wholesome advice, it was decided to publish the same, without even permission, for the benefit of the many young ladies who regularly read this paper. It will do all good to read it.—Ed.]

Jan. 7th 1893.

DEAR COUSIN:— I have been looking in vain for a long time, for a letter from you in order to see what progress you have been making in the way of improvement. In this I have been disappointed and cannot therefore judge the improvement. I attribute your non writing to nothing else but the want of inclination, and indolence on your part. I don't think you are progressing rapidly in the way of getting an education. If you are, you are certainly ashamed of it.

Education means many things. To be educated you will be wise and useful, and must, of course, be adapted to the nature and sphere of those who are to be educated.

The higher education of woman, if it is to deserve the name, must develop the powers and faculties of woman, especially her higher faculties and those in which she excels; it must qualify her for the sphere in which she is fitted to move. Woman's person must be protected, her character guarded, her virgin purity preserved, and her womanly delicacy cultivated and cherished with the most sedulous care.

How must this be accomplished? By education. You must be educated largely at home; your school education should be as much as possible under the immediate watch and care of your parents. And when you go away to the Seminary or College, you should find there the nearest possible approach to the arrangements of the home and the family circle.

The studies for developing and disciplining the powers of woman, in which she naturally excels, are rhetoric, bell-letters, language, literature and art. And this should be the higher education of woman; literature and art, rather than science, should have the preponderance. Science lays a solid foundation, but art should build and finish the superstructure. Mathematics are the framework of the universe; but life, love, reason, speech, music, poetry, constitute its beauty and glory. Nay, they are its informing soul and knowledge and its speaking features. Surely you need all knowledge for a work of such unlimited extent and unbounded influence as is before you. You need above all to know yourself, your physical and mental constitution—the laws of your own being, health and life—for you are yourselves to be the fountain of being, health and life to your children. As the mother and nurse of the family the first principles at least, of anatomy, physiology and medicine, are indispensable. As the housekeeper, and in a broad sense the home-builder, chemistry, botany and natural history, cooking and domestic economy, the art of building also, and adorning—all those arts and sciences which combine to make the home convenient and happy, the ground beautiful, the kitchen clean, the library cozy, the parlor neat, the table wholesome, the fire-side cheerful, home attractive—all these branches of knowledge are needful to you, all these are a part of education, and have more to do with the character and happiness of the family than we are apt to think. Indeed they are quite fundamental; and if they are ever to enter and bless our homes generally, they must be introduced by well trained, educated and cultivated women.

It must be universally admitted that woman must be the centre and soul of all good society. Without her civilizing and refining presence, society always and everywhere degenerates into barbarism. Gentle manners come from gentler sex; pure morals from purity and propriety in woman. She is the standard of social customs, the glass of fashion, the rule of good breeding, the law of refinement and decorum, the regulator of society, the atmosphere with which public sentiment rises or sinks like the barometer, and the very element in which public morals and manners live and move and have their being. If women were only sufficiently enlightened, united and decided; if women would always frown upon those habits of eating, drinking and smoking, which lead to intemperance and minister to licentiousness; if woman would never walk or ride with a smoke-

stack or keep company with a leer-barrel or a bottle of champagne; I repeat it, if women would only be sufficiently enlightened, united and decided never to smile, but always to frown, on these and similar habits, from which they themselves are the greatest sufferers, banished from all decent society, they would vanish and disappear. As a means to this end, education and culture are indispensable. The way to extend your sphere is to enlarge your faculties, enrich your mind, adorn your nature and perfect your development. Your sphere is sure to widen with your capacities and your education.

You will never do this as long as you read fiction, novels, ghost stories, etc. The vile, low and degrading literature, is as poison to the mind, calculated to debase and to degrade only. The time which you occupy in reading them might be employed to better purpose in studying the actual realities of life, as they are exhibited by the biographer or the historian; and moreover, there is danger, if you begin to read works of fiction, with an intention to read but few, and to conform yourself to the better class, that your relish for these productions will increase, till you can scarcely feel at home unless the pages of a novel are spread before you. You must rest assured that a character formed under the influence of novel reading and fiction stories, is miserably fitted for any of the purposes of practical life.

I say then, as you would avoid forming a character which combines all the elements of insipidity, corruption, and moral death, beware of reading novels and love stories. Many a young female has been obliged to trace to this cause the destruction of her principles, her character, and ultimately her life. Give us the educated, enlightened, transformed woman we demand, and she will clear a track for herself—she will create a sphere in which she will do her proper work, and exert a commanding and transforming influence.

It is woman's mission in developing her whole nature, filling her entire sphere, and thus making the most of herself, to make men better and so to reform, refine and exalt the human race. Normally if not naturally, women is better, truer, purer than man. To extend your influence, therefore, educate yourselves, then you will purify home, adorn society, elevate and bless mankind. To make that influence as wise in its direction and wide in its extent as it is good in its aim and intention, were to make man as true and pure as woman. And every step in your proper education is a means to that end. Every stage of your progress always has marked and always will mark a higher stage of human civilization. For as all history and all philosophy shows the elevation of woman is as once the measure and the means of the advancement of mankind.

Well, I must close the long epistle; I did not intend writing so much but when I get at it, I don't know when to stop. Now I have taken a great deal of pains and hard study to edit this letter, just for your improvement. You will find good moral and wholesome teaching in it. Now do not cast it away and pay no attention to it because it is not a love story. There is much in it, that if followed will do you and others of your sex much good; will do all good who may read it.

Love to all. I will not ask you to reply because you never do it. However use to your own pleasure. Kind regards to all. Your Cousin,

J. M. K.

It is now a settled fact, since the election of a U. S. Senator from North Dakota, on Monday that the democratic party will have a safe working majority in the U. S. Senate under the new administration. This is the most cheering news since last November. All doubts are settled, the party will have the reins of government in their hands and will not be hampered in carrying out the pledges made to the people during the campaign.

### "Alvin Joslin."

On Friday evening there will be a fine attraction at Garman's opera house, in the presentation of "Alvin Joslin," by Chas. L. Davis, the famous comedian, with his superb company. Chas. L. Davis has made a large fortune out of this play which he has given in almost every city in the United States. He is proprietor of the famous "Alvin" theatre in Pittsburg, said to be the finest and most complete play house in the country. The play "Alvin Joslin" was on the boards there several weeks and had an immense run. The same company with the same scenery as appeared in his own theatre, at Pittsburg, will be here on Friday evening. Don't miss it.