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Editorial.

HON. JOHN H. ORVIS.

In another column we chronicle the death of one of Centre county's most distinguished citizens—a great lawyer and an eminent jurist. Possessing a great intellect his superior attainments won for him universal respect wherever he was known. The influence of such a master-mind in any direction it might have turned, or of any cause it might have espoused, therefore was most effective.

While the subject of this sketch was a profound lawyer, he also was a close political student. He most firmly believed in the principles and traditions of the Democratic party, and was a man of profound thought and great force when he mounted the rostrum. From the date of Hon. John H. Orvis' advent, in 1862, in Centre county he became conspicuous in the counsels of the party, and soon was recognized as an organizer, and a leader. The wisdom of his counsel in many campaigns was clearly demonstrated by the results. He always took a keen interest in the political affairs of this county.

In every campaign since 1862 he devoted time as well as means in this direction, and has spoken in almost every town and school district of the county. Earnest, frank and fair in manner; clear, clean and thorough in method of presentation; reliable in statement and honorable towards his opponents, he always gained the sympathy of his hearers. Then by his great force of character and irresistible logic he won over foes to his cause.

His death will not only be a great loss to our organization, but will be keenly felt by every member of the party.

NO DANGER.

An impression is abroad over the county that our jolly butcher, Wm. A. Lyons, of Bellefonte, having several votes cast for him for the office of "Register of Wills, Recorder of Deeds and Clerk of the Orphans' Court" of Centre county that he will, for the next three years, be the official in charge of what now is embraced in the position of Recorder and Register. He claims the law was changed and no notice was taken of it by any of the parties.

We speak from good authority when we say that Mr. Lyons is mistaken. At this writing, as we go to press, we have no time or space to discuss Mr. Lyons' erroneous position. Rumberger will be the Register and Morrison Recorder. Democrats need not be alarmed.

CRANKS of every description may look for a warm reception hereafter when they land in Washington. Since the assassination of Carter Harrison the crop of cranks has multiplied wonderfully. Men of public affairs have received threatening communications, and some of them have been badly frightened by the missives. Cranks at the White House have not been so plentiful in the past few weeks as usual of late, but "warnings" are almost daily received at the Executive Mansion.

Now that Congress is out of the way for a few weeks it is expected that a large number of important appointments will be made, and republicans who are filling offices, the commissions of which have expired, would be better by making their preparations to step down and out. This expectation has kept a considerable number of Senators and Representatives in Washington since congress adjourned.

The Philadelphia Branch is overstocked with an immense line of winter clothing. They have all weights in winter overcoats.

UNOFFICIAL VOTE OF CENTRE COUNTY, FOR ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 7, 1893.

BOROUGH AND TOWNSHIPS.	PRESIDENT 1892.		STATE TREASURER.		JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT.		FOR SHERIFF.		FOR REGISTER.		FOR RECORDER.		FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.		CORNER.		FOR SCRIVENER.		
	Chester	Harrison	Hudson	P. C. Johnson	S. M. Jackson	J. S. Keel	R. W. Keel	D. N. Felt	H. T. Amos	J. Stevenson	J. P. Harte	Daniel Hall	J. P. Harte	J. P. Harte	J. P. Harte	J. P. Harte	J. P. Harte	J. P. Harte	J. P. Harte
Bellefonte, (North Ward)	133	216	18	116	173	33	2	115	172	34	2	116	178	33	2	116	178	33	2
Bellefonte, (South Ward)	106	117	8	183	104	17	2	181	106	18	2	107	125	33	2	107	125	33	2
Bellefonte, (West Ward)	54	88	7	47	71	8	1	46	77	8	1	46	77	8	1	46	77	8	1
Centre Hall borough	83	27	7	42	81	16	1	42	81	16	1	42	81	16	1	42	81	16	1
Howard borough	54	96	5	42	81	16	1	42	81	16	1	42	81	16	1	42	81	16	1
Millsburg borough	27	87	6	28	86	10	1	28	86	10	1	28	86	10	1	28	86	10	1
Millheim borough	115	42	1	115	42	1	1	115	42	1	1	115	42	1	1	115	42	1	1
Philipsburg, (First Ward)	121	128	20	58	119	13	1	58	119	13	1	58	119	13	1	58	119	13	1
Philipsburg, (Second Ward)	47	77	3	47	77	3	1	47	77	3	1	47	77	3	1	47	77	3	1
Philipsburg, (Third Ward)	24	58	7	22	56	10	1	22	56	10	1	22	56	10	1	22	56	10	1
South Philipsburg	156	77	8	107	71	15	1	107	71	15	1	107	71	15	1	107	71	15	1
Unionville borough	115	42	1	115	42	1	1	115	42	1	1	115	42	1	1	115	42	1	1
Benner township	156	77	8	107	71	15	1	107	71	15	1	107	71	15	1	107	71	15	1
Boggs twp., (East precinct)	153	52	1	148	48	1	1	148	48	1	1	148	48	1	1	148	48	1	1
Boggs twp., (West precinct)	101	127	10	127	10	1	1	127	10	1	1	127	10	1	1	127	10	1	1
Burnside township	85	121	14	75	119	21	1	75	119	21	1	75	119	21	1	75	119	21	1
College twp., (East precinct)	59	80	14	50	70	9	1	50	70	9	1	50	70	9	1	50	70	9	1
College twp., (West precinct)	158	53	1	142	65	1	1	142	65	1	1	142	65	1	1	142	65	1	1
Curtin township	55	78	2	36	61	1	1	36	61	1	1	36	61	1	1	36	61	1	1
Ferguson twp., (East precinct)	77	10	5	51	6	7	1	51	6	7	1	51	6	7	1	51	6	7	1
Ferguson twp., (West precinct)	111	74	3	105	65	5	1	105	65	5	1	105	65	5	1	105	65	5	1
Gregg twp., (East precinct)	122	36	9	98	29	3	1	98	29	3	1	98	29	3	1	98	29	3	1
Gregg twp., (West precinct)	45	89	10	45	89	10	1	45	89	10	1	45	89	10	1	45	89	10	1
Hains twp., (East precinct)	144	72	3	118	60	2	1	118	60	2	1	118	60	2	1	118	60	2	1
Hains twp., (West precinct)	59	98	19	52	79	1	1	52	79	1	1	52	79	1	1	52	79	1	1
Half Moon township	69	69	6	63	18	1	1	63	18	1	1	63	18	1	1	63	18	1	1
Harris township	101	139	2	61	116	7	1	61	116	7	1	61	116	7	1	61	116	7	1
Howard township	89	46	6	74	28	1	1	74	28	1	1	74	28	1	1	74	28	1	1
Huston township	66	46	6	53	18	1	1	53	18	1	1	53	18	1	1	53	18	1	1
Liberty township	141	53	3	122	25	1	1	122	25	1	1	122	25	1	1	122	25	1	1
Marion township	76	16	1	64	17	1	1	64	17	1	1	64	17	1	1	64	17	1	1
Miles twp., (East precinct)	70	91	1	49	78	1	1	49	78	1	1	49	78	1	1	49	78	1	1
Miles twp., (Middle precinct)	180	182	1	173	71	1	1	173	71	1	1	173	71	1	1	173	71	1	1
Miles twp., (West precinct)	130	36	1	105	34	1	1	105	34	1	1	105	34	1	1	105	34	1	1
Patton township	185	59	2	165	50	1	1	165	50	1	1	165	50	1	1	165	50	1	1
Penn township	37	81	10	72	66	6	1	72	66	6	1	72	66	6	1	72	66	6	1
Potter twp., (North precinct)	69	69	2	64	54	6	1	64	54	6	1	64	54	6	1	64	54	6	1
Potter twp., (South precinct)	94	91	5	79	54	6	1	79	54	6	1	79	54	6	1	79	54	6	1
Rush twp., (North precinct)	78	86	6	54	74	13	1	54	74	13	1	54	74	13	1	54	74	13	1
Rush twp., (South precinct)	130	109	4	113	113	2	1	113	113	2	1	113	113	2	1	113	113	2	1
Snow Shoe twp., (East precinct)	64	71	7	48	59	2	2	48	59	2	2	48	59	2	2	48	59	2	2
Snow Shoe twp., (North precinct)	34	49	3	31	46	1	1	31	46	1	1	31	46	1	1	31	46	1	1
Snow Shoe twp., (South precinct)	59	86	15	47	76	16	1	47	76	16	1	47	76	16	1	47	76	16	1
Spring twp., (East precinct)	192	93	3	174	64	1	1	174	64	1	1	174	64	1	1	174	64	1	1
Spring twp., (South precinct)	55	91	6	54	106	4	1	54	106	4	1	54	106	4	1	54	106	4	1
Taylor twp.	404	308	316	386	330	259	11	386	330	259	11	386	330	259	11	386	330	259	11
Union township	192	93	3	174	64	1	1	174	64	1	1	174	64	1	1	174	64	1	1
Walker township	55	91	6	54	106	4	1	54	106	4	1	54	106	4	1	54	106	4	1
Worth	192	93	3	174	64	1	1	174	64	1	1	174	64	1	1	174	64	1	1
Total vote	4034	3083	316	386	330	259	11	386	330	259	11	386	330	259	11	386	330	259	11
Pluralities	316	316	316	316	316	316	316	316	316	316	316	316	316	316	316	316	316	316	316

The above tabulated vote was taken from the official returns. The totals, we think, are nearly correct: the official count will have some few slight changes. The Democratic pluralities on Commissioner are over Strohm, the highest Republican vote. The official count will be given in our next issue.

IN THE COUNTY.

The result of the election in Centre county is given in full in the tabulated form. The returns, as compared with last year, clearly show that a small vote was polled and the majorities have necessarily been reduced. The state ticket will have a majority of over 600, while the county ticket, in some cases, has fallen below that mark.

Considering the general Republican victory over in Clearfield and Clinton counties, we have just cause to rejoice upon the result at home.

The campaign was an unusually quiet one. As there was little hope of electing our State ticket, it was also an "off year" and many of our voters felt that it was not necessary for them to turn out at the polls. This distribution of federal patronage always has a tendency to weaken a successful party and that also had its effect. The present commercial depression also caused many Democratic voters to vote otherwise. Some old soldiers became unduly alarmed and left the Democratic ranks. The above were some of the disturbing elements that we had to face.

Under these adverse circumstances the Democrats certainly won a decided victory on Tuesday. "Old Centre" still proudly floats the Democratic standard at the mast head. The Republican tidal wave that swept over the land could not shake her from her moorings. Centre county did nobly.

This is the sensible way that Senator Voorhees answers the silly talk that has to a certain extent been indulged in by some cracked-brained people about the repeal of the purchasing clause of the Sherman silver law resulting in a split in the democratic party: "On the democratic side of the chamber, while there were very strong differences of opinion, I do not know of a single unfriendly feeling left by the protracted discussion. Neither party organization nor personal relations have been disturbed. We will take up our work on the tariff and other great questions when we meet in December as if nothing had happened to mar our peace with one another or to impair our strength for the public good. Our faith in the present able and thoroughly patriotic administration has never been greater than now, and, to my mind, the future wears a bright and promising aspect."

Valuable Patent.

John T. Rush, of Tyrone, who has recently secured patents for a shingle maker or outloer, has been offered the sum of \$8,000 for its exclusive right and use in the territory of the United States. He has in addition applied for and is perfecting his patent in Canada and Great Britain.

—Go to the opera house to-night. A first-class entertainment.

District Institute.

A district institute will be held in the public school building of Philipsburg on Friday and Saturday evenings, Nov. 24th and 25th. The district will include Philipsburg borough, Rush township, Morris and Decatur townships. In addition to the work done by the different schools and teachers of the district a number of prominent educators from outside the district have been invited to be present and take part in the exercises. Among those are Deputy State Superintendent Houck, Superintendent Gramley, Superintendent Youngman, Superintendent Becht, Emerson Collins, Esq., C. W. Scott and W. W. Champion, Esq.—Journal.

WHENEVER the President signs an important congressional enactment and makes it the law of the land there is usually considerable competition to secure as a relic the pen with which the essential word "approved" was written. There has seldom been a bill that has excited more general interest than the bill which repealed the purchasing clause of the Sherman silver law. The President signed this bill with an ordinary steel stub pen. No one has as yet shown the least desire for the possession of this article, and the lack of interest in the matter is a subject of general surprise. Although it is not known as a fact, it is believed that the President will present the pen and holder to Senator Voorhees as a slight token of appreciation of the prominent part he took in accomplishing the result so much desired by the Administration.

God Speed the Fitting.

Owing to the slack work in the mines there has been a perfect stampede of Slavish and Belgian miners from this place recently. Every train carries a wad of them, over a hundred Slavs leaving on Wednesday. If they would only stay away it would be a good thing, but, unfortunately, as soon as business revives they will come swarming back. However, their leaving gives the English-speaking miners a better chance for the little work that is to do.—Philipsburg Ledger.

Dog Tax.

Under a recent act of assembly, assessors are to return the dogs found in their district, and the county commissioners shall fix the rate of tax. The tax will be collected by the collectors of county tax and paid into the county fund. Damages for sheep killed by dogs shall be paid out of the county treasury. The tax rate can not exceed \$2 and \$4 and in most instances will be much less than under the old act.

DURING the extra session of Congress, seventeen bills and 16 joint resolutions became laws. The President did not exercise his right of veto in a single instance, having approved every measure submitted to him by Congress.

Warning to the Farmers.

If any farmer in this section has procured samples of grain from the World's Fair agricultural building, he will do well to burn it forthwith. It is stated that the discovery has been made that the whole exhibit has been attacked by the weevil, a pest whose larva is a worm that burrows in the kernel of the grain, and has done enormous damage to the crops in South-western Russia and in India, whence, doubtless, it was brought to the World's Fair. It is