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REMOVED
The office of the "Centre Democrat" has been removed from the Conrad House Building to the Opera House Block, on High street—one door above Garman's Hotel and opposite the Court House.

Editorial.

UNDER the head of political announcements two new names appear this week. Hon. Thomas F. Riley, of Harris township, will be a candidate for re-election to the office of associate judge. Aaron Williams will make an effort for the congressional plum. Both are prominent party workers and are good democrats.

The Johnstown Democrat has traced the line of descent along which the party of paternalism is progressing toward a logical stepping-off place. Here it is:

- Republicanism,
 - Protectionism,
 - Socialism,
 - Coxeyism,
 - Anarchism.
- Facilis est descensus avari.

LAST week a negro named Newlin was hanged by a mob in Bellefonte, Ohio, for a heinous crime. The reader will bear in mind that this lynching took place in Republican Ohio just as one occurred in Republican Pennsylvania last month and that politics wasn't in it in either case. But had either of the above mentioned tragedies taken place south of that celebrated line the republican press would have sent up the "time honored howl" about the democrats in the south killing negroes simply because they voted the republican ticket.

County wants help from the government; populists want government aid; socialists want the government to divide up the wealth of the entire country; every man, almost, who was in the war wants the government to support him and his family the rest of his life; almost every industry established looks to the government for its aid and protection; afterwards everybody will want to live off the government and no body to support themselves. That is the result of the teachings of the republican cause. Give us instead a self reliant people, made up of strong noble men, who would not deign to look upon government interference or favoritism to certain industrial enterprises. That would be a typical form of Democracy.

Supreme Court Decisions.

In the following cases, from Centre county, taken to the supreme court this year, the judgment of the lower court was affirmed.

W. B. Mingle, cashier Penns Valley Banking Co., vs. John Rossman, Daniel Baitzges, etc., appeal from decree of Court of Common Pleas. Love and Hewes for appellants; Orvis, Bower & Orvis for appellees.

Rebecca J. Royer's adm'r. vs. Henry Royer, et al., of Potter twp. Reader for appellant; Fortney and Hewes for appellees.

Matia Meek vs. Geo. Y. Meek, Jr., et al. Action to Oorphan's Court of Centre county. Love, Chambers and Keller for appellant; Fortney, Orvis and Hewes for appellees.

Dr. Krauskopf.

The lecture to be delivered by Dr. Krauskopf, "Only a Jew," is sure to attract a large audience. He is a learned and scholarly man and while the proceeds will be devoted to charity, everybody who will attend will be sure to receive more than the full benefit of his money. The lecture takes place on next Wednesday evening, May 9th.

Gen. Hastings speaks in the highest terms of Dr. Krauskopf's ability and scholarly attainments. The Gen. will be present and introduce the speaker. Chart is now open at Parrish's drug store.

Opinion on Sunday Work.

Some time ago, in Williamsport, Andrew Anderson had a number of employees arrested for working for the Philadelphia and Reading railroad on Sunday. On Saturday Judge Metzger filed an exhaustive opinion in which he believes that the work done was necessary, and therefore decides in favor of the company.

THE NEW POSTMASTER.

TOOK POSSESSION ON TUESDAY MORNING.

Thomas Howley appointed Assistant—Biographical sketch and portrait of David F. Fortney, Esq., a prominent citizen and Attorney.

On Saturday David F. Fortney, Esq., received his commission from the President designating him as the postmaster to succeed James A. Fiedler. On Monday Mr. Fiedler arrived in town from Williamsport and the transfer of the office was duly made. The only appointment made thus far by Mr. Fortney was that of Thomas Howley, as assistant postmaster, to succeed G. Wash. Reese. Mr. Reese will assist in the office during the ensuing month. Mr. Fortney took charge of this office on the same day, April 30, the 25th anniversary of his admission to the bar of Centre county.

Mr. Fortney is a native of Centre county, having been born in Potter township, where the early years of his life were spent. While yet a boy he moved with his parents to near Pine Grove Mills, in Ferguson township, working on the farm during the summer and attending the public schools, which then had only a four months term, in the winter. After obtaining all that could well be obtained in the public schools of that day he entered the Pine Grove Academy in the fall of 1860, then under the care of Prof. J. E. Thomas, for a full term of five months, walking a round trip of six miles each day, in order that he might obtain at least some of the advantages of a higher education. This he would do through all kinds of weather, every school day, for the whole term and never once be late.

The summer of 1861 was put in at work on the farm. In the fall of that year, however, he was again permitted to enter the academy for another term, walking as before in the round trip six miles, in order that he might enjoy this privilege. The desire of the boy to obtain as much of an education as possible was, however, so strongly expressed that, notwithstanding the fact he was much needed on the farm, he was permitted to continue at the academy during the summer of 1863. While at school Mr. Fortney, with a large number of other students at the academy, enlisted for the war, and afterwards, when the volunteers were organized into companies, he became a member of company D, 148th regiment.

After his return from the army, Mr. Fortney attended the academy at Pine Grove one more term, taught school a term, and then spent two years at school in the state of Ohio, and then taught school another term. In the spring of 1867 he took up the study of law under the directions of Hon. John H. Orvis. The Judge then owned and lived upon the property now owned by Albert Owen, along the old Lewistown road. The student not being blessed with wealth, and in order that he might be enabled to continue his law studies took care of the Judge's gardens, his orchard, horse and cows and did whatever was to be done, with will and energy, for his board.

Mr. Fortney was admitted to the Bar of Centre county on the 30th of April, 1869. His success as a lawyer was assured from the beginning. His practice grew rapidly and he soon ranked among the leading members of the bar. But for the fact that his hearing has become somewhat defective, a physical defect greatly to be lamented, nothing could have induced him to either have sought or accepted the position to which he has been appointed.

In the fall of 1877 Mr. Fortney was elected district attorney, of the county, by the largest majorities, which up to that time, in a straight contest between two candidates, had been given for many years. In the year 1871 and 1879 he was chairman of the Democratic County Committee and did his full share as he did at all other times, whether chairman or not, for the success of his party. No man in the county has at any time done more or better work for the continued success of the party, in both county and state, than has Mr. Fortney, and no man in the party has more loyal and devoted friends than he.

From Jan. 1882 to Jan. 1888 and from Jan. 1891 to the present he has been solicitor of the county and in examining the accounts that pass through the commissioners' office he has been no respecter of persons in lopping off unnecessary expense or in cutting down bills. The public will never fully know the actual service he has been to them in this capacity.



D. F. FORTNEY, ESQ.

Mr. Fortney has been a member of the school board, of this borough, since June, 1882, and beginning with school year in 1884, he has been continuously President of the board. For the public schools of the borough he has done very much. Upon his entering the board the schools seemed to take new life and today the public schools, of our borough, are the equal of any in the state.

His appointment as post master is a deserved tribute to his party service, his ability and integrity as a man and citizen. With no wealth to help him he has been of as much use, in a practical way, as any man who has ever lived in the borough.

That the duties of the office of post master, at this place, will be well performed for the next four years, none who know the present occupant will doubt.

RECENT DEATHS.

MRS. JONATHAN HARTER.

Last Friday morning Mrs. Susan Harter, wife of Jonathan Harter, died suddenly from apoplexy. She had been ill for about two weeks from a fall but her condition at no time was considered serious and her death was a great surprise, as it was sudden. A husband and two grown children survive. The children are Adam Harter, living at Millheim, and Mrs. Kurzenknebe, of Harrisburg. The interment occurred on Tuesday morning at Millheim. Her age was 51 years.

JULIUS SEIGWORTH.

On Sunday morning Julius Seigworth died at the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. Kohlbecker, in Milesburg, after a lingering illness with paralysis. Mr. Seigworth was the first proprietor of the hotel now kept by Mr. Kohlbecker, but about fifteen years ago he left there and moved to Pittsburg, where he resided for a number of years, finally returning and taking up his abode with his daughter. He was about 68 years old. A wife and a number of children are left to mourn his death.

DEATH OF JOHN LEECH.

Mr. John Leech, a well-known and much respected farmer of near Linden Hall, died on Sunday afternoon, April 22, between 4 and 5 o'clock, of an attack of grip, after an illness of only three days. He was 69 years of age. Being a member of the Presbyterian church, his remains were interred in the cemetery at Centre Hill on Tuesday forenoon. He was a man of kind disposition and a good citizen.

LILLIE MAY HARTER.

Lillie May, the little daughter of Dr. W. S. Harter, of State College, died on Friday evening, the 30th of April. She had been ill for about four weeks with the measles and lung fever. Her age was one year, eleven months and ten days. The funeral took place on Monday forenoon, the 23d.

MRS. CATHERINE WOLESKLAOLE.

After a protracted illness, Mrs. Catherine Woleskagle died at her home in Unionville on Thursday last. The funeral services took place on Saturday afternoon and were very largely attended.

MRS. ANNIE HAZEL.

On Monday morning the remains of Mrs. Annie Hazel, who died at Williamsport on last Saturday, were brought to Buffalo Run for interment. A husband and seven children survive her.

JOSEPH WOLF.

Joseph Wolf, aged about 74 years, died on Sunday at his home on Thomas street, Bellefonte, after an illness of only a few days. The funeral took place on Tuesday morning, services being held in the Lutheran church.

William Walker, a young man of this section, is now confined in the county jail because he is unable to pay a fine of \$100 and costs of prosecution. He was found guilty, of fishing in Spring creek with a net, at the last session of court. That he violated the law there is no question and that he should suffer for it no one will deny, but to confine him there for several months is rather severe.

It looks to us like persecution. The young man did only what scores of other persons have been doing right along. It is a very common thing to see parties fishing with nets right inside the borough limits and no notice is taken of it. Young Walker has reported illegal fishing of others to the authorities and no notice was taken of the matter.

At this same session of court a gang of thieves from Philipsburg who have terrorizing that neighborhood by breaking into stores at night and carrying off valuable property were found guilty but sentence was suspended—for political reasons.

Young Walker committed an insignificant offense compared to the above, he has no influential friends or prominent politicians to win favor and the result is he is languishing in the county jail.

It is such blind justice that brings our courts into contempt.

An Unpleasant Experience.

Mr. Michael Kelley, a Snow Shoe coal operator, went to explore an abandoned mine for some purpose recently. Although formerly a miner, Mr. Kelley thoughtlessly neglected to take a supply of lamp oil with him, and becoming interested in his work he failed to notice that his lamp was giving out until the oil was so low that the lamp went out before he could get out of the mine. He got lost and wandered around vainly trying to find his way out. His wife was very much alarmed at his not coming home that night, and the next morning a party went in search of him, and found him in the mine, wet and hungry, but safe, and disgusted with his unpleasant experience.

Taking a long Drive.

Quite a jovial party, hailing from Snow Shoe, Centre county, consisting of J. J. Nolan, George Young and John Shirdon, stopped at the Miller House on Saturday evening last and remained until Sunday evening. They are on their way to Atlantic City, where they propose opening the Queen City hotel. These gentlemen are traveling the overland route, have two elegant double teams, take in the sights enroute and have a good time generally. They left our town loud in their praise of the Miller House and the courteous treatment received from the clerk, John Hartstine.—Lewistown Free Press.

Decoration Day Orators.

John G. Love, Esq., of Bellefonte and Rev. Illingsworth, of the M. E. church have been selected as the decoration day orators for Millheim.

Rev. J. C. Young, of Pleasant Gap, will be the memorial day orator for post 261, at the Advent cemetery on the hill, three miles from Milesburg, at 1 o'clock on Decoration day.

Rev. Zehner, of this place, will be the orator for the same Post who will speak at Curtin's cemetery at 2 o'clock and at Milesburg at 5 o'clock in the afternoon of May 30th.

—The largest stock of wall paper and window shades ever brought to Penns valley, at greatly reduced prices, at E. W. Mauck's store, Millheim. ap 19 44

MAY FORECAST.

REV. IRL HICKS' WEATHER PREDICTIONS.

For the Present Month—When to Expect rain and Storm periods—Other Interesting news Paragraphed.

The month opens at the end of April's closing storm period, with storm disturbances disappearing in extreme eastern parts of the country, and cooler weather prevailing in central and western sections. An equinox of Mercury is central on the 3rd, and will cause cloudiness and tendency to continued drizzle. In the extreme north sleet need not prove a surprise. By the 4th decided change to warmer will develop in the west, and during the 5th to 7th, reactionary storms will pass over the country, being central about the time of new moon on the 5th. A sharp change to cooler will follow the disturbances at this time, with strong probabilities of frost along the northern side of this country from about 7th to 10th.

From the 10th to 14th is the next regular period of change and storm. A very warm wave is apt to appear by the 11th in western regions, during the three days next following storms of much energy and wide scope will traverse the country from west to east. Another very cool wave for the season will come in behind the storms causing several days of much cooler weather in the country generally. Heavy rains may reasonably be expected during the last named disturbances—namely, about the 11th, 12th and 13th, during which time a series of daily storms, recurring near the same time of day or night, for several days need not be overlooked for.

The cool weather following the storms of the last period will give place to warmer, and secondary storms will appear in many places about the 17th and 18th, immediately after which the barometer will rise rapidly to a very high reading, attended by a sharp change to cooler.

From 21st to 25th falls the next storm period, during which time it will grow very warm and many storms of rain, thunder and wind will appear. In all these disturbances the intelligent use of the barometer and correct observation of wind currents will foreshadow with much certainty the coming and the intensity of storms. About the 27th and 28th will be central the last disturbances for May bringing fair and cooler days and nights for the closing month.

Jake Runkle's Coat.

An exchange says: On Monday of last week when Jacob Runkle, the Bellefonte groceryman, was at the Leonard house in Clearfield, he got up in the morning and on going to the office to get his overcoat found that it was missing. All search failed to discover the coat and Jacob had to go on without it. Tuesday of this week he received a letter from the Commercial House, of DuBois, stating that his overcoat was hanging in their office and inquiring what should be done with it. The only conclusion to arrive at is that some fellow who had none simply took Jake's coat to wear from Clearfield to DuBois and then left it there.

"Paul Jones."

The latter part of this May, Parquette's famous opera, entitled "Paul Jones," will be rendered in Bellefonte by local talent. The principal characters in the cast are:

Paul Jones.....Leo B. Woodcock
Rufine de Martinez.....Hard P. Harris
Blouquet.....Philip D. Waddie
Don Trocadero.....John Blanchard
Bouillabaisse.....James Harris
Pettit Pierre.....George R. Meek
Yvonne.....Miss Marie Meek
Chopinette.....Miss Kate Lundy

The chorus will contain at least fifty persons. The proceeds will be devoted to making certain improvements about the Bellefonte academy.

The Difference.

Ad. Fauble is suffering from an affection about the throat for the past few days. When asked what was wrong, as his throat was coated with anodyne, he replied: "Well, if I were working for \$1 a day it would only be a plain case of sore throat; if my salary were \$75 or \$100 per month the doctors would do a little better and call it laryngitis; if I got \$50,000 per year like Chauncey Lepew or Grover Cleveland they would not be able to name it."

A Free Scholarship.

A free scholarship has been awarded to Centre county by the Martyn College of Oratory, Washington, D. C. Said position is open to both sexes, and may be secured through the county superintendent. The choice must be made during the month of May. For further information call on or address, Supt. C. L. Gramley.

ROLL OF HONOR.

The following list of persons have paid their subscriptions to the DEMOCRAT since April 1st, 1894:

E H Mensker, Walla Walla	June 94
A V Daugherty, Moshannon	Jan 95
Sam Mortimer, Beech Creek	April 94
Dr. L M Houser, Pa. Furnace	Feb 95
Ed F Roller, Castown, O.	March 95
John E Miller, Madisonburg	April 95
E J Markle, Hublersburg	Jan 95
J C Rossman, Penns Cave	Jan 95
Ad Bartzes, Millheim	Nov 94
John H White, Zion	Dec 91
J M Heckman, Spring Mills	April 95
Harvey Dunkle, Hublersburg	Jan 95
J S Hazel, Bellefonte	April 95
Philip Yorks, Milesburg	Nov 95
M H Grove, Bellefonte	April 95
B F Lutz, Zion	March 95
James M Grove, Lemont	April 95
S F Hookman, Madisonburg	March 95
Henry Weber, Sunville Pa.	March 95
U H Hoy, Pleasant Gap	April 95
E Garbrick, Zion	March 95
John P Ishler, Bellefonte	Nov 94
Jerre Roan, Bellefonte	Jan 95
David Rossman, Pleasant Gap	Jan 95
Hezekiah Ewing, Fairbrook	May 95
W S Krise, Ansonville	May 94
T F Meyer, Coburn	May 94
H M Lambert, Flat Rock, Ohio	May 94
Amos Harper, Warriors Mark	Oct 94
Jas Watson, Snow Shoe	May 94
Geo F. Miller, Pine Grove Mills	April 95
Dan Immel, Millheim	April 95
H V Getzel, Sober	April 95
J E Walker, Rebersburg	April 95
Wm Walker, Rebersburg	May 94
Henry Weaver, Blanchard	Oct 94
J H Hoy, Pine Grove Mills	May 95
W H Noll, Pleasant Gap	July 94
Chas A Peters, West Liberty, Iowa	May 95
A G Archey, Pine Grove Mills	Jan 95
Wesley Breen, Peotone, Ill.	April 94
Lewis C. Miller, Roland	May 95
J Miles Gephart, Philadelphia	May 95
Joel Tressler, Nittany	Feb 95
W J Sneddin, Snow Shoe	May 95
Job Duck, Penn Hall	May 94
Joseph Potter, Kyertown	May 94
O. W. Harper, Philipsburg	Aug 94
Geo Johnston, Mt. Eagle	May 94
Jerry Ryan, Howard	May 94
John Robinson, Roland	May 94
Geo Emmeizer, Mt Eagle	May 94
J M Carson, Potters Mills	May 95
J M Hubler, State College	Nov 93
D B Thomas, Shingletown	Oct 94
Mrs J C Stover, Coburn	Jan 96
Wm L. Hipka, Tusseyville	May 95
Wm Hipple, Pine Glenn	Jan 95
Edward K Roads, Bellefonte	Aug 94

In Hard Luck.

The First Hastings club of Philadelphia is in the same predicament as Coxey's army. When the club was organized Colonel William Lion, the president claims to have been informed that transportation would be given the club from that city to Harrisburg. On this basis he secured a large army of recruits to take the voyage and rented the Chestnut street hall in which to quarter them during their stay here, but at the last meeting of the club the members were horrified at a message that free railroad passage was impossible, and if they intend to go on the journey they would have to pay, or, like the Coxey army, start for Harrisburg on foot. This news has chilled the ardor of these worshippers of the "hero of Johnstown," and many deserters have been reported.

—You will save money by getting your wall paper and window shades from E. W. Mauck, the wall paper man, Millheim, Pa. ap 19 44

Political Announcements.

FOR CONGRESS.

We are authorized to announce the name of WM. C. HENLE, Esq., of Centre county, a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Congress. Subject to the decision of the district conference.

We are authorized to announce the name of AARON WILLIAMS, of Centre county, a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Congress. Subject to the decision of the district conference.

ASSOCIATE JUDGE.

We are authorized to announce the name of THOS. F. RILEY, of Harris township, as a candidate for the office of Associate Judge, subject to the decision of the Democratic county convention.

Mingle's Shoes,

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