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### Editorial.

To day it is in order to give thanks, even if you only have a rib-bone on the table. There are many who do not even have that.

THE *Howard Hornet* thinks that college professors who conduct experiments on cattle that seem cruel, should be dehorned themselves, instead of the poor animals. Let the experiment be made.

JUDGE Gordon has requested Clearfield papers to cease publishing the names of jurors drawn for each court. That is a good idea. It is a well known fact that attorneys and their litigants become exceedingly well acquainted with jurors a short time before court. The list of jurymen is always eagerly consulted.

THE coming session of congress will be full of interest as the unsatisfactory financial system demands a change. The times demand the best thought and noblest impulse and for that reason partisan prejudice should be laid aside. We have had enough political nonsense now we need sound legislation.

THE Japanese are having a triumphal march through China. They have been routing the pig-tail soldiers in almost every engagement and it is expected that in a very short time, unless peace is declared, they will be in possession of the Chinese capitol and the city of Peking. Thus has the great empire of China fallen before the quick-witted and intelligent forces of Japan which in population and area is insignificant when compared with the great nation which so quickly humiliated.

IT is hardly necessary for the Pennsylvania legislature to meet this year. Let Matt Quay, Christ Magee, of Pittsburgh, Dave Martin, of Philadelphia, the representatives of the Standard Oil Company and the various railroad companies and other large corporations hold a caucus at Harrisburg, make known their wants, and in the name of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania submit them to Gov. Hastings for his approval. It would accomplish the same result—in less time and at less expense.

SOME of our enthusiastic politicians are booming General Hastings already for the presidency. These chaps imagine they see another political tide and want to be in the swim. Four years as Governor of Pennsylvania will be the test to settle the General's future aspirations. It remains to be demonstrated whether he possesses the required executive capacity to fill even the position to which he was elected. Give the Gen. a chance at what he has got. The governorship of this state is quite an extensive experimental field.

THE next session of congress promises to be a stormy session. The consideration of a new and definite financial policy will be the principal topic for discussion and in which it appears that party lines will be lost. The South and West will insist upon plenty of cheap currency, and especially free silver legislation. The business interests of the East will oppose the debasement of our currency and there the conflict will be waged. It will call forth the noblest and highest statesmanship to cope with this all important subject. The government should cling to the policy of a stable currency.

IT is amusing to hear our republican friends speak of the democratic party as having received its death-blow at the last election. An organization that has lived since the days of Thomas Jefferson and has stood by the grave of over half a dozen of its competitors, is not so quickly disposed of as our friends would imagine. The democratic party is not dead by any means. It simply received an unmerited rebuke from the people. The year 1896 is still far enough ahead for wonderful changes. The public have not been able thus far to intelligently study the results of recent legislation.

ALREADY one hundred persons have applied to the commissioners of Clearfield county for the position of mercantile appraisers, with several districts to hear from.

## NOVEMBER COURT.

### NOT VERY LARGELY ATTENDED.

Large list of Petty, Insignificant, Dirty Commonwealth Cases—Sentences Imposed—Work of the Grand Jury.

The November term of court is in session at present and thus far its attention was directed to the disposal of petty, dirty, criminal cases that should never be allowed to go further than a justices office.

The Monday morning session was called with Hon. A. O. Furst presiding and Associates Riley and Faulkner present. The same day both Associates returned home owing to illness in their families.

The grand jury was organized by the appointment of George W. McGaffey, of Phillipsburg, as foreman.

Thomas Fink, of Julian charged with larceny of part of a harness. Prosecutor, Richard Newman. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

John Kessigle, assault and attempt to commit rape upon a little daughter of Thomas Rhoades of Spring township. The jury found him guilty upon the count of "Indecent Assault."

Com vs Ammon Snyder, charged with stealing dishes, clothes etc., from Wm. C. Shiesley's lumber operation, in Penn township. The defendant had the property in his possession but claimed he purchased it from another party. The jury had little difficulty in finding a verdict against the defendant. The sentence was, costs of prosecution and sixteen months in the Western Penitentiary at hard labor. Snyder is a young man and by no means intelligent. The sentence, under the circumstances, is severe.

Levi Hamer, of Taylor township, prosecuted by Benj. B. Kelly for the larceny of buckwheat which they had raised in partnership. The court directed a verdict of not guilty, as there was no larceny.

Chas. Meyer and Stanley Ryan, of Milton, charged with stealing a horse and buggy from Michael Strohm, at Centre Hill, the latter part of last August. The defendants plead guilty to the charge. C. M. Bower, Esq., and Senator Haacken, of Milton, addressed the court and asked that the persons be dealt with as leniently as possible, as they were young, and it was their first offence.

Newton Pennington, colored, of this place, charged with stealing a watch from Luther Tate. Pennington was sent to the Huntingdon reformatory for treatment, until cured, if possible.

Wm. Frye, of Boggs township, guilty of adultery and f. and b. Sentenced one year for adultery, and usual sentence for f. and b.

John Bowers, of Julian, plead guilty to assault and battery upon Daniel Adams. Sentence five dollars fine and costs.

Com vs E. D. McElarney, f. and b. Prosecutrix, Clara B. Spicer. Jury returned verdict of guilty. Usual sentence imposed.

Samuel Meese, Bellefonte, for breaking jail was sentenced to six months additional, to take effect after the expiration of his former sentence.

Annie Simpson, of Julian, charged with open lewdness. Prosecutor, officer Wm. Garis. Bill ignored and county pay the costs. This course was followed as several good women of Bellefonte offered to provide a home for her in an institution in New York for fallen women.

Lowry Walker plead guilty to f. and b. and was given the usual sentence.

John Hines, of Spring twp., was found guilty of assault and battery upon Chas. Krantz. Sentence, \$5 and costs.

Henry Sampsol and James Huey, road supervisors of Benner twp., returned for misdemeanor in office. Bill ignored and county pay the costs.

J. L. Showers charged with passing forged checks upon J. M. Neubauer. Plead guilty. Sentence, \$1 fine, costs and two years and eleven months in the Western Penitentiary.

Wm. Gares, policeman of Bellefonte boro, charged with taking money from Newton Gibson. Prosecutrix, Lydia Gibson. On trial as we go to press.

Joseph Travers, of Cassomora, aggravated assault and battery upon Sarah Peterson. Verdict guilty. Sentence suspended until next Wednesday.

TRUE BILLS. The following "true bills" were found by the Grand Jury up to Wed. noon and that were not disposed of before court:

Com. vs. Frank Nighthart, f and b.  
Com. vs. John Brickley, f and b.  
Com. vs. Lowry Walker, f and b.

Com. vs. Spensor Breon, f and b. Com. vs. Wm. Kessler, Reuben Billmeyer and J. P. Maurer for assault and battery upon Geo. E. Wensler, of Millheim, at Coburn.

Com. vs. Richard Fink, assault and battery and maintenance. Prosecutor, O. Weston.

Com. vs. John H. Rishel, surety of the peace and maintenance. Prosecutrix, Alice L. Rishel.

Com. vs. Peter Coon, f and b. Com. vs. Fred Walker, larceny. Prosecutor F. M. E. Snyder.

Com. vs. M. B. Garman and Geo. Cunningham, cruelty to animals.

Com. vs. Samuel Inmel in-restruous fornication.

Obituary. Geo. H. Hunsinger, whose distressing death occurred near Pottsville, Pa. was married in 1867 to Hannah Meyers of Clearfield county.

He preceded him to the grave twenty one years ago. There were left to mourn the mother, her devoted husband and two little sons, Wm. H. and Frank who were reared in the family of Thomas Meyers, then of Karthaus, Clearfield county, but later removed to Buffalo Run, this county, until the dissolution of this family by the death of their grand-mother, when they had a kind and parental shelter in the home of their uncle Wm. Tressler, until they grew to the age of self maintenance. About one year ago the two sons emigrated to Jeannsville Wis., where they were employed at the time of their fathers death. The only particulars that can be obtained of the death of Geo. H. Hunsinger, are about as follows: He was engaged in lumbering at St. Clair, about three miles from Pottsville, after his days work in company with a Mr. Hill, and while at a point on the railroad, close to the bank of the river, saw a train approaching around a curve a short distance behind them, and mistaking the track upon which it was approaching, Mr. Hill had leisurely stepped entirely off, and Mr. Hunsinger had just reached the outer end of the ties, when he was struck by the train, and hurled down over the bank to the river's edge, upon being picked by his companion it was found that his neck had been broken. Being a stranger, his personal effects were searched to find any trace of living relatives, among these they found a letter from his son William from Jeannsville, Wis., was immediately telegraphed to, who ordered the body brought to the home of Wm. Treasurer, at Buffalo Run, the sons arriving in time for the funeral.

Fouly Murdered. A telephone dispatch from Tyrone states that a man, a stranger in that place, was found dead near the Pennsylvania Central bridge about 9 o'clock this morning, and the evidence was conclusive that he had met his death by being fouly murdered, as he was stabbed in many places, a number of the wounds being of such a nature as to have caused death.

So far as could be learned no one saw the tragedy take place, and no reason whatever can be assigned. The fact that the man is a total stranger in that locality only deepens the mystery. But several persons saw another individual, also a stranger, acting in a peculiarly suspicious manner, and afterwards disappeared, and it is believed that if he is not the murderer, he at least knows something about it. Detectives have been sent for and will at once go to work on the case, and it is believed that they will soon be able to run down the murderer.

Attention Ladies. You are requested to call at Aiken's store and inspect the nice fitting, finest looking, most fashionable lot of coats for ladies and Misses ever opened in this town. Capes in cloth and fur. So pretty, you'll want them to wear. You will also see the latest in tailor made suits, just made for you. Mrs. Aikens has just returned from the eastern factories, where she made selections that will bring you right in style in cut and color. All new stock. No last year's goods in the store. Don't miss the place.

AIKEN'S STORE, South Allegheny st. Bellefonte.

Church Lotteries Illegal. Judge Van Sickle in the Union county court last week charged the Grand Jury that the practice at church fairs of holding drawings for prizes is a violation of the law against lotteries, and as much an offense as race track pool selling and other gambling. He read a program of a fair held in St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church at North Plainfield, at which there were drawings, and charged the jurors to investigate it.

Business Improving. Mr. Craig, the third assistant post-master general who has charge of matters pertaining to postage, said recently that greatly increased orders for stamps from all parts of the country showed that business was reviving rapidly.

The commercial agencies, Dunn and Bradstreet, make similar reports for the past week. It is well to remember that we are now living and doing business under the operations of a democratic tariff. We got the benefit of all the calamity and we are likewise entitled to the prosperity.

### IS THIS LAW CONSTITUTIONAL?

An article in Tuesday's *Harrisburg Patriot* says:

"The question of the constitutionality of the Brooks high license law was recently raised in the Huber case at Carlisle, and a new trial was asked for the reason that there is a conflict between the title and the body of the law. Judge Sadler yesterday overruled the motion for a new trial, but held that there is reason to believe the law is unconstitutional so far as it relates to selling on Sunday. He did not sentence Huber on that count, but gave him three months in jail and \$200 fine for selling without a license."

### A Sick Farmer.

A farmer came to a store and exhibited an enormous egg, which he vowed had been laid by one of his own hens. He had packed it in cotton and wouldn't allow any one to handle it for fear of breaking it. The grocer examined it and said "Pshaw I have something that will beat that." "I'll bet you a dollar you haven't," said the countryman. "Right," replied the grocer and going behind the counter, he brought out an egg beater. There's something that will beat it, I guess" said he reaching over for the stakes. Hold on there," said the farmer, "lets see you beat it," and he handed it to the grocer. The latter reached out his hand for it but dropped it in surprise on the counter, where it broke two soup plates. It was of solid iron painted white. "Some folks think they're darnation cute," muttered the farmer as he pocketed the stakes and cleared, "but ain't no use bucking against the solid fact."

### Foster's Predictions.

The first storm wave of December will reach the Pacific coast about the 21, cross the western mountains by the close of the 4th, the great central valleys from the 5th to the 7th and the eastern states about the 8th. This disturbance will be of more than average force, and will be followed by cold weather. The coldest waves of the month will cross the continent from Dec. 1 to 4, and 7 to 10. Warm waves will cross the western mountains about Nov. 27 and Dec. 3, the great central valleys about Nov. 29 and Dec. 5 and the eastern states about Dec. 1 and 7. Cool waves will cross the western mountains about Nov. 30 and Dec. 6, the great central valleys Dec. 2, 8 and the eastern states Dec. 4 and 10. The average temperature and rainfall for December and the general character of the incoming winter will be given in my next bulletin.

### Seeking Salvation.

The Westmoreland Classis of the Reformed church, on Monday of last week, found Rev. Bates guilty of immoral conduct. He was seen with a woman in a dark alley and he was dismissed from the ministry.

Rev. W. H. Bates was pastor of the St. John's Reformed church at Johnstown, one of the largest in the city. Jennie Watkins, a well-known public sweetheart, is the woman whom he met. The defense of Rev. Bates was that his presence with the woman on the occasion named was for no evil purpose—that he was seeking her salvation. The fifty ministers who tried him, however, would not look at it that way.

### Pennsylvania's Coal Output.

The report of the inspectors of mines of Pennsylvania, which has just been issued in the form of a bound volume of upward of 530 pages, contains many interesting details in regard to the coal business of this state. The total production of anthracite is given as 47,189,563 tons for the year 1893, while of bituminous it is said that 42,421,898 tons were produced. The coke is put at 5,549,296 tons.

The number of employes is put down at 218,821. The fatal accidents number 596 and the non fatal 1,415. One of the noticeable features is the small number of days on which the men about the mines, either anthracite or bituminous are employed.

### Change of Schedule.

On Monday, Nov. 25th, a schedule went into effect on the Bellefonte Central railroad. The changes are as follows: Train No. 1 leaves Bellefonte at 7 o'clock instead of 6:30 in the morning and arrives at State College at 7:55. Train No. 11 leaves here at 4:55 in the afternoon instead of 4:40, as formerly, and arrive at State College at 5:45. Train No. 12 leaves State College 5:55 in the evening instead of 5:45 as formerly and arrive at Bellefonte at 6:45.

Schedule on the Bald Eagle Valley changed Monday, the train arriving at 5 o'clock will come 20 minutes earlier and the down train in the evening 24 minutes later.

### OPPOSE M'KINLEYISM.

#### EVEN REPUBLICANS NOW SEE THE FOLLY.

Leaders Oppose a Return to Tariffs that Rob the People for the Benefit of Millionaire Trusts and Syndicates.

The Chicago *Tribune*, one of the leading republican papers of the west and north west, is strongly opposing any further tariff agitation, and warning the McKinleyites against a repeal of the Wilson bill. We give an extract from one of the leading editorials which appeared in that paper a few days ago. The editorial has been largely quoted by other leading republican papers and favorably commented upon.

"Governor McKinley failed to assert in one of his speeches during the campaign that the bill which bears his name would be a test of party loyalty, nor has any other republican speaker declared that in case of a republican victory the republican party would re-enact the McKinley bill.

"By what authority, then, are a few persons with dull brains or mischievous and perhaps malicious purposes printing articles which in effect declare that the re-enactment of the McKinley law is to be made the test of party loyalty? Who authorized them to set up such a test? Certainly not such party leaders as Mr. Reed, or Senator Sherman, or ex-President Harrison. Certainly not any leader or speaker who figured in the recent campaign. Certainly not Governor McKinley himself, the father of the bill.

"These persons appear to be willing to shipwreck the republican party once more in order to appease the greedy demands of the millionaires and trusts. They are blind partisans who don't care whether their party is in power or in the minority, so that the grasping desires of syndicates be carried out.

"The protection which these fellows are clamoring for is immoderate protection. They want protection which shall prevent competition. But whoever prevents competition is a public enemy, and the republican party cannot afford to allow itself to be forced into any such position."

This article contains many plain truths, and fearlessly tells the story of the recent republican victory. The trusts and syndicates flooded the country with money to bring about this result and now since they have secured the victory, they are endeavoring to accomplish what they really desire they must have the machinery of the republican party, and in some way secure the active aid of the party leaders and party organs. This is to be accomplished by making the re-enactment of the odious McKinley bill a test of party loyalty. The Chicago *Tribune* is entirely correct in designating these people mischievous and even malicious persons, who are in the employ of the syndicates and millionaire trusts. There are many honest republicans, and even great papers like the *Tribune* who will cry out against this attempt to legislate entirely for the interests of the few and against the many, but their admonition will not be heeded by those who have charge of the party organization.

"The protection which these fellows," the leaders of the republican party and the millionaires and trusts, "are clamoring for, is immoderate protection." "A protection which prevents honest competition." According to the *Tribune* these people are "public enemies." The *Tribune* is again correct. They are public enemies, and seek only to further their own selfish interests; at the expense of the people. The McKinley bill was enacted to recompense these people for the money they had corruptly expended to carry the elections of 1888, and they tried the same experiment in 1894. They have paid their money, and by their corruptness and misrepresentations succeed in carrying the elections, but their victory bids fair to be a barren one. Senator Sherman has already sounded a warning, and leading papers are daily protesting against this attempt to place the party into the hands of the trusts and syndicates. These protests will not avail so far as the republican party is concerned, but they will aid in clearly defining the issues, and thus enable the people to see that their real interests are with the democracy in their attempt to relieve the people of the burdens fastened upon them by republicanism. Tariff reform and honest government is a live issue, and will again triumph.

Decreased the Fees. Last year over 4,000 Pennsylvania couples evaded the marriage license law by going to New York or New Jersey to be married, thus depriving the state of \$2,000 or more in marriage fees which rightfully belong to it.

### Town Hall at Beech Creek.

A new town hall is being built at Beech Creek. The scenery and other paraphernalia is now being placed in the hall. Messrs. Williams & Pollock will have charge of the building.

### Kept the Money.

On Saturday afternoon the Phillipsburg and Bellefonte High School boys had a game of foot ball on the glass works meadow. At the end of the first half the score stood 4 to 0 in favor of Phillipsburg. When the Bellefonte boys attempted to substitute a 180 pound man, not a member of the school, the Phillipsburg boys objected and refused to continue the game. And the opinion of all was that they were right in doing so. The game stopped at that point and the Bellefonte boys refused the \$15 guarantee.

Landlord Neubauer, of the Brockerhoff House, would not allow the young men to make the drive over the mountains to their home that night and in assist upon them remaining as his guests until Sunday morning. The boys gladly accepted this generous offer and left Sunday morning holding the people of Bellefonte in higher estimation than our High School foot ball team who did not act honorably with them. It remains for our boys to at once forward that guarantee.

### Democrats Will be Scarce.

The Harrisburg *Patriot* says: The official returns to the state department from all the legislative districts of the commonwealth indicate that the democrats will have only twenty-eight of the 204 members of the next House of Representatives. The republicans will have 148 majority in the house and thirty-six in the senate, or 134 on joint ballot. Of the twenty-eight democrats in the House the three representatives of the Pennsylvania Democracy elected in Philadelphia in the second, third and fourth districts of Philadelphia by republicans are included. The democrats have elected one representative in Adams, three in Berks, two in Clarion, two in Columbia, one in Elk, one in Green, two in Luzern, one in Lycoming, one in Mifflin, one in Monroe, one in Montour, two in Northampton, four in Philadelphia, one in Pike, one in Schuylkill and four in York. Representative Brougal, democrat, of Northampton, was defeated for re-election by only four votes.

### Worms as Weather Signs.

Another weather prophet comes to the front by stating that the surest sign to determine the character of the coming winter can be found in the yards. If worms are close to the surface it is pretty safe to assert that it will be a mild winter, but if they are two or three feet in the soil the winter will be severe.

### Bellefonte Grain Market.

Corrected weekly by Geo. W. Jackson & Co.

New wheat, per bushel	36
Old wheat, per bushel	30
Rye, per bushel	30
Corn, ears per bushel, new	23c
Corn, shelled per bushel	35
Oats—new per bushel	20
Barley, per bushel	20
Buckwheat, per bushel	20
Ground plaster, per ton	3.25

### PROVISIONS, GROCERIES & C. (as corrected weekly by Bauer & Co.)

Apples, dried, per pound	8c
Cherries, dried per pound, seeded	7c
Beans, per quart	50
Onions, per bushel	50
Butter, per pound	12c
Tallow, per pound	12c
Country Shoulders	12c
Sides	12c
Hams	12c
Hams sugar cured	12c
Breakfast Bacon	12c
Lard, per pound	12c
Eggs, per dozen	30c
Potatoes per bushel, new	25c
Dried Sweet Corn per pound	3c

### Don't Scold The Boy.

He's a good, lively all-around boy, and you wouldn't change him if you could. Kicks out a lot of shoes, of course. The only thing to do is to get shoes that are hard to "kick out." Get the school shoes here, and you'll save about one pair in four—possibly a little more. All sizes for both boys and girls.

## Mingle's SHOE STORE