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Editorial.

JAPAN has given China a good whipping, and now demands enough to pay all expenses incurred, with a nice bonus besides. There is business in the keen-eyed little Japs.

It comes from reliable source that over five thousand applications were filed with Gov.-elect Hastings for positions under the new administration. Factory Inspector is the favorite on the list, over three hundred after that alone.

THE Republicans will soon be in full sway at Harrisburg, with every department in their control. The strong hand of the executive will be necessary. Under such circumstances a restraining influence can do much for the public. Gen. Hastings will not have an easy berth.

An interesting article upon the recent atrocities in Armenia will be found in another column. It gives some valuable information and explains some of the complications that exist among the European powers. Our readers are indebted to C. M. Bower, Esq., for the contribution.

COL. W. C. P. BRECKENRIDGE, the silver-tongued orator, since his defeat for congress, has started out on a lecturing tour but the receipts are too small to pay expenses and Miss Polarc's attorneys were continually after the box office. Truly the way of the transgressor is hard.

ON Tuesday the American people were treated to a substantial New Year's gift in the shape of a substantial resolution upon the subject of the perfecting of the tower of Babel. This comes from the hands of democratic administration and will be a lasting benefit to every individual. Tariff reform of this nature will be appreciated by republican consumers as well as all others.

This year Clearfield county has 159 applicants for liquor license, while Centre county often has less than one-fourth of that number. That is a indication of the difference in population. Clearfield has a larger element of foreigners and lower classes who are employed in mining. The centre county people are more frugal, industrious and better civilized. Our criminal courts also are quite small compared with Clearfield.

Christ's Union Church.

On Sunday last, the neat new church opposite Hecla station, on the public road, was opened for public worship. Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Lohr, of Clintondale, and Ira C. Mitchell, Esq., of Bellefonte. There was preaching three times, morning, afternoon and night; large audiences were in attendance and about \$160 was contributed toward the liquidation of the debt incurred in building. The church is to be known as Christ's Union church, and is to be non-sectarian, free for the use of all believers in the Lord Jesus and his teachings. The people in that community deserve great credit for their enterprise and liberality. That is a first class neighborhood, abounding in every good work.

Change of Time.

The Central Railroad of Pa., on Monday, 31st, published a new schedule. On and after that date passenger trains will run as follows:
Leave Bellefonte at 7:00 and 11:30 a. m. and 8:15 p. m., arriving at Mill Hall at 8:05 a. m. and 12:30 and 9:25 p. m.
Leave Mill Hall at 8:20 a. m. and 12:50 and 9:37 p. m., arriving at Bellefonte 9:25 a. m. and 2:00 and 10:57 p. m.
Trains that formerly left Bellefonte at 3:45 p. m. and Mill Hall at 5:10 p. m. have been discontinued.

Officers Elected.

At school directors association meeting December 19th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Dr. Theodore S. Christ, of Lemont; Vice President, Owen Underwood, of Fleming; Secretary and Treasurer, W. B. Rankin, of Bellefonte; Executive Committee, D. F. Fortney, Bellefonte; J. C. Henderson, Huston; W. E. Irwin, Philipsburg; J. T. Potter Potter; Charles Wolf, Haines.

ARMENIAN OUTRAGE.

WHY THE TURKS ARE NOT PUNISHED.

A Brief Summary of the Armenian Troubles—A Christian People and their Sufferings—England at Fault.

The recent murder of over 20,000 christian people by the Turks has aroused the indignation of all civilized nations. The following carefully prepared article, no doubt, will be of interest to many of our readers:

The cruel treatment of the Armenians by their Turkish masters suggests to many the questions; who are these Armenians, and why are they compelled to submit to all the cruelties and atrocities inflicted by the soldiers and subjects of the Turk? Why do not the adjacent Christian nations at least protest against these horrible outrages?

The Armenians are a remnant of a once powerful and influential people, ranking with the Persians under Cyrus the Great, and the Macedonians under Philip and Alexander. When in the zenith of its glory, Armenia proper extended from the Caucasus mountains and the Black Sea on the north to the mountains of Kurdistan on the south; and from the Caspian Sea to Asia Minor. Almost the entire country is a high table land, interspersed with high mountains, the principal one being Mount Ararat upon which Noah's Ark rested, after the flood. The country is broken, abounding in beautiful and fertile valleys. The famous rivers of Scripture, the Tigris and Euphrates, rise in the northern section and flow southeast toward the Persian Gulf, and many eminent scholars contend that the Garden of Eden was located within the boundaries of this once famous country. According to their own legendary history, in which ancient traditions are curiously mixed with Biblical lore, the Armenians are descendants of Haik the great-grandson of Noah, who fled from Babylon after the confusion of tongues, migrated to the east, and there the perfecting in building the tower of Babel. Aram, the seventh of the dynasty founded by Haik, was a contemporary with the patriarchs Isaac and Jacob, and was a ruler of power and influence.

Armenia remained an independent nation until about A.D. 1049 when their capital Arden, the modern Erzerum was destroyed by the Seljukian Turks, and the entire country became a tributary of Turkey, and finally the Armenian nationality was entirely extinguished. For some years the country was devastated by the wars between the Russians and the Turks, and finally it was divided, a part being absorbed by Russia; the eastern portion fell to Persia; and the balance became a part of Asiatic Turkey, and is governed from Constantinople.

In these three sections, the Armenians predominate largely, and form an important and valuable part of the population. They everywhere retain their own language, customs and habits, with a special love of country, that is to be admired and commended. They are principally merchants and farmers, especially noted for their industry and frugality.

They at present number about twelve millions of souls, the great majority living within the boundaries of what once constituted the kingdom of Armenia. The part now belonging to Turkey is mostly inhabited by Armenians, the balance of the population being Mohammedans and Jews.

Their early religion was patriarchal, but they gradually drifted into idolatry, their religion being a mixture of Greek mythology and Syriac idolatry. Early in the Christian Era they were converted to Christianity. It is said their King Abgar, being afflicted with leprosy, besought Jesus by letter to come and heal him of his fatal malady, and offered him a refuge, in Edessa, from the Jews who were seeking to destroy him; that Jesus promised, after his departure to send one of his disciples, who should heal the king and give life to his people. After the ascension Thomas sent Thaddeus, one of the Seventy, to Edessa where he preached with such power, that "the King with many others believed and were baptized." This narrative is sometimes considered legendary in its character; yet it is universally believed by the Armenians, and this belief is greatly strengthened by the fact that Eusebius quotes this letter of the King to Jesus, in his church history, and refers to the journey by Thaddeus to Edessa. Others of the Early Church fathers also refer to this letter, the subsequent jour-

ney of Thaddeus to Armenia, and the conversion of the King and many of his people. Whether this is true or not, it is a fact, that soon after the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost, Christian churches took the place of heathen altars in Armenia, and the kingdom received new life, and renewed energy. As early as A. D. 300 Gregory the Illuminator, was ordained Bishop of Caesarea, and Armenia was the first nation that unitedly embraced Christianity.

Since then they have strenuously adhered to the Christian faith, amid the most cruel persecutions, and under the most adverse circumstances. While they have lost their identity as a nation, they steadfastly remained Christian, and many have suffered death rather than adopt Mohammedanism. The Armenians have for more than 800 years withstood all attempts to compel them to renounce the religion of Jesus Christ, and as a consequence they incurred the hatred of the Turks, and upon the slightest provocation the Turk has carried fire and sword among the Armenian settlements, and has mercilessly murdered these people and destroyed their property. An Armenian's life is never safe in the presence of the Moslem, his wife and children are always in danger of unspeakable outrages, and his property is the common prey of the cruel and fanatical follower of the false prophet.

Why do the Christian nations of Europe stand idly by and permit the Moslems to carry death and destruction among these Christian people residing within their territory? Why are such outrages permitted almost within the range of the guns of the fortresses of Christian lands? Russia is anxious and willing to do for these oppressed and persecuted people, what she accomplished for the Christians of Bulgaria, Servia, Bosnia, and Herzegovina in 1878. Why is Russia not permitted to act at once and stay the merciless hand of outrage and murder? Because it is more important to England and other so-called commercial nations that the balance of power should be preserved in Europe. The Turk must be sustained, and his cruelties tolerated, in order that the interest of England in the East may not be disturbed by the encroachments of Russia.

Had the treaty of San Stefano been acquiesced in by the Powers, Armenian murders and outrages would now be a thing of the past. A congress of the Powers, called by Christian England, in order to keep Russia in check, gave to the hated Turk further license to murder and pillage inoffensive Christians, and they have since then industriously exercised that license among the Christians in Armenia. The Armenians are outraged and murdered by the Moslems, because they are Christians. Before the war of 1878 between Russia and Turkey the Herzegovinian, Bosnian, and Bulgarians suffered in like manner at the hands of the Turks because they were Christians. Russian intervention gave peace to these people. Russia's hand is again ready to strike the blow necessary to give the Armenians peace and religious freedom, but her hand is stayed by England for selfish purposes.

Other European nations are sustaining England in her course. The only excuse England gives for her conduct is that by the Congress of Berlin, which set aside the treaty of San Stefano, Turkey agreed to institute reforms in Armenia, and give the Christian people of that country protection. This is a fact, but in that same congress a remedy was provided to enforce these conditions, and England was given the power to compel the Sultan to comply with the terms imposed by that congress. Instead of compelling the Sultan to carry out these humane provisions, England is giving aid and encouragement to the perpetrators of these outrages.

A Handsome Present.

Saturday evening 5th, 95, the installation exercises of Gregg Post's take place and to which the public is cordially invited to attend. On this occasion a handsome piece of needle work from Japan, sent by Harry Jackson, who occasionally reaches that country on board a Pacific vessel, will be presented to the Post. It is about four feet long and three wide, and has the coat of arms of the United States, represented by three flags, a shield, eagle, arrows and olive branch. The whole was worked in finest of silk, in natural colors, on a background of black silk.

Good Sleighting.

With about two feet of snow on the ground there is every assurance that we will have good sleighting during the winter. Since the snow fell a week ago there has been cold freezing weather right along.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

—How many resolutions have you made for the new year, and how many will you keep?

—A barn on the farm of Jacob Glossner in Beech Creek township, Clinton county, was entirely destroyed by fire on Friday night. Eleven head of cattle the season's crop of hay and grain and the barn were completely destroyed.

—Prof. S. Lewis Ammerman, principal of the Bellefonte high school was married to Miss Sallie E. Mayoe, at the home of the bride's parents, in Easton, Pa., on Thursday, December 27th. At present they are enjoying their bridal tour and are expected to arrive at Bellefonte on Friday morning.

—Persons having any local news that they desire to see in print should not hesitate to give the same to us. It is news that we are after, and an utter impossibility to know everything that is transpiring. News items are always appreciated.

—A charter was granted the other day at the State department, Harrisburg, to the Spangler Improvement company, with a capital of \$25,000. Among the stockholders are Col. J. L. Spangler, General Beaver and other well known men of prominence.

—Owing to the lack of steam from the town plant our press rooms have been so cold this week that it was impossible to run our job presses and many customers were disappointed. Like Job, we are patient. Others are doing enough cursing and complaining to raise the dead.

—From estimates made by Robt F. Hunter, Commissioners clerk, about \$32,000 are collected and expended in Centre county annually for the maintenance of the poor in the different districts. Would a county poor house cost less money? That is the most important question? Who can solve it.

—The Adjutant General's report gives the rating of percentage for efficiency for Company B at 85.54, only two other companies in the regiment having a higher rating. This is an excellent showing, considering that the company was reorganized just about a month previous to the annual encampment.

—Our set of the CENTRE DEMOCRAT office. You always get first-class work, a free advertisement in the columns of the paper and a book of judgment exemption notes. Then our prices are always reasonable, and the work, in most cases, of a better order than you get at high-priced concerns. We charge nothing for name or reputation.

—One night last week the large 16-inch trout in the aquarium, at Green's drug store, jumped out of the tank and put an end to its existence. When found in the morning it was dead. The fish had not been fed for several days and it is supposed that hunger induced it to force the iron covering up sufficient to leap over the tank. A trout of the same size has been thriving in a tank at Blair & Co's. jewelry store.

—The Magnet publishes a communication last week, by some chap who is evidently ashamed of his own name, in which he tries to give the Rev. Dr. Laurie a slap for attending the dedication and reception at the formal opening of the new Armory several weeks ago. Whoever the writer may be, if he has the courage of his convictions and a flickering spark of manhood in him, he would not hide his identity in an assumed name. This is another example of the courage and principle of these would-be moral reformers and seekers-after-trouble, who no doubt if his career were held up to the light would be found stumbling greatly over quats and be found swallowing camels. Come out from your hiding and be a man.

Haag Retires.

On the first of April, 1895, Gottlieb Haag will retire from the well-known hotel stand, on Bishop street, which he has so successfully conducted for a number of years. It is known as the Cummings House and always was a favorite inn for many of our people. It is his intention to reside in one of his Bellefonte properties and devote his time to looking after his property at Pleasant Gap and taking the world a little easier. He has been an industrious, busy man all his life and he and Mrs. Haag are entitled to a bit of recreation.

Ex-county Treasurer D. C. Keller, now conducting a hotel at Turbotville, Pa., formerly a resident of Centre Hall, will take possession of the Haag hotel April 1st. Mr. Keller is well known to the people of Centre county and his genial disposition will make him a most hospital landlord. We are glad to see Mr. Keller return to Centre county where we wish him abundant prosperity.

MEMORIAL SERVICES.

A MOVE TO ERECT A MONUMENT.

To Commemorate the Services Hon. A. G. Curtin rendered his Country—Committees Appointed.

The memorial services in the court house on the day of the interment of Hon. A. G. Curtin were held for the purpose of affording the many distinguished visitors an opportunity to pay a final tribute to the memory of the departed statesman. On Friday evening, December 21st, another memorial service was held under the direction of Gregg Post, in the new armory, in which only those of this vicinity who knew him from long association and daily intercourse participated.

The meeting was attended by members of Gregg Post in full uniform, company B in full uniform. The building was appropriately decorated and especially the stage with potted plants. Gen. James A. Beaver presided on this occasion.

The services were opened by a selection from a choir composed of Misses Mary Meek, Fannie T. Aire, Aurora Moore, Laura Rumberger, and Messrs. C. C. Shuey, Lee B. Woodcock, Geo. Smith and A. Lukenbach.

Owing to the uncomfortable temperature of the room, there being scarcely any heat, the addresses were necessarily brief. Gen. D. H. Hastings was the first speaker who paid a dignified tribute to the dead. A carefully prepared paper was read by Prof. John Hamilton, of State College, that attracted the closest attention. It evinced close historical research and an intimate knowledge of the life and character of Governor Curtin. Col. J. L. Spangler spoke of the social qualities of Governor Curtin, and Dr. Atherton gave a few glowing tributes.

At the conclusion of these addresses Gen. Beaver spoke of the project of erecting a monument in Bellefonte to commemorate the great service Governor Curtin rendered his country. Gregg Post voted unanimously to undertake the work. The large audience likewise responded. Thus the formal move for the erection of a memorial monument was made.

The meeting was then closed by singing and the benediction by Rev. Zehner.

On Wednesday the committee appointed by Gregg Post to take in charge the Curtin monument movement met and made a fuller and more complete organization by selecting a committee of twenty-one of the prominent business men of the town. Of this number Gen. James A. Beaver is chairman; John C. Miller, secretary, and James Harris treasurer. The general committee is divided into three working committees as follows:

Finance Committee—Gen. Beaver, John P. Harris, Thomas Collins, F. W. Crider, T. H. Harter, William Shortridge, Andrew Brockerhoff, H. Seehler, J. D. Shugert and Thomas A. Shoemaker.

Committee on Design—Col. J. L. Spangler, Hon. P. Gray Meek, W. P. Humes, W. F. Reeder and Ellis L. Orvis.

Committee on Site—S. H. Williams, Robert Valentine, D. F. Fortney, A. S. Garman and Charles Smith.

No effort thus far has been made to secure popular subscriptions but the following have been tendered:

James A. Beaver \$100.00
D. H. Hastings 100.00
W. Fred Reynolds 100.00
Thos. Collins 100.00
James Harris 100.00
Charles McCaffrey 10.00

The Logans.

The Logan ball on Monday evening was a most enjoyable affair and one of the most successful ever held by the company. At 8 p. m. the company turned out in full uniform, wearing their handsome new coats, caps, belts and helmets. In the parade were the Bellefonte band the entire company, four large horses drawing their handsome engine, the Coleville band and their hook and ladder truck. As they passed by the Brockerhoff House in the glow of red lights they made a fine showing. Those long coats gave them the appearance of veterans.

There was a large attendance at the armory and the best of order was maintained. The fair held in Temple Court was well patronized during the week and a handsome sum was realized.

—"The Tornado" will please everybody next Tuesday evening.

ROLL OF HONOR.

The following persons paid their subscription during the month of December. The figures opposite each name indicate to what time the same is paid:

J. W. Yearick, Walker	March '95
W. N. Weaver, Walker	Nov '95
Chas Smith, Penn Hall	Sept '95
James McCaffrey, Bellefonte	Dec '95
James I. Packer, Beech Creek	Nov '94
Frank Holt, Philipsburg	Dec '94
A. J. Horner, Colyer	July '95
Mrs Rebecca Robinson, State College	Dec '95
Ed Mingo, Aronsburg	Dec '95
Emanuel Cronmiller, Aronsburg	Aug '95
H. W. Stover, Woodward	Sept '95
N. E. Leathers, Walker	July '95
A. B. Wolfe, Beechburg	March '95
D. Cronister, Martha	April '95
W. H. Honan, Woodward	April '95
G. W. Bowmaster, Fleming	March '95
Harvey Noll, Pleasant Gap	Dec '95
Fleming Poorman, Milesburg	Jan '95
Wm H. Zeigler, Wolfs Store	Aug '95
W. H. Weaver, Millheim	Oct '95
J. K. Hosterman, Wolfs Store	May '95
Geo W. McCloskey, Look Haven	Jan '95
J. A. Noll, Pleasant Gap	Jan '95
Jno S Hoy, Madisonburg	Nov '94
W. T. Bailey, Half Moon	Jan '95
A. C. Grove, Bellefonte	Nov '95
Rev M. O. Noll, Carlisle	Jan '95
Frank Turbidity, Mahanston	Jan '95
Ira C. Mitchell, Bellefonte	Dec '95
Geo M Taylor, Bellefonte	Feb '95
Jacob Bower, Altoona	Dec '95
Jas Moyer, Tusseyville	Dec '95
S. A. Kerlin, Centre Hall	Jan '95
H. Zeigler, Linden Hall	Feb '95
Daniel Bartsch, Spring Mills	Dec '95
Ad Bartsch, Millheim	Nov '95
Samuel Harpster, Gatesburg	Dec '95
Elias Zerby, Penn Hall	Dec '95
Rebecca J. Meese, Michigan	Jan '95
Ira C. Orl, Lamm	April '95
G. P. Garret, Beechburg	April '95
J. W. Alexander, Esq, Bellefonte	Jan '95
Jeremiah Brumgard, Wolfs Store	Jan '95
John Hoy, Jr, Hubbersburg	Jan '95
G. E. Eshler, Tusseyville	May '91
S. M. Bell, Boalsburg	April '94
D. C. Ketter, Turbotville	Jan '95
George Greeninger, Flemington	July '95
Adam Vonada, Zion	Jan '95
E. H. Harter, Spring Mills	Jan '95
H. C. Hartley, Nittany	Jan '95
L. G. Swartz, Clintondale	Dec '94
James Kellerman, Bellefonte	Jan '95
Sarah Wiltner, Bellefonte	Jan '95
Andrew Zettie, Lemont	Jan '95
C. P. Reese, Snow Shoe	Jan '95
Mrs John Hudson, Lake City	Feb '94
G. O. Miller, Bellefonte	Dec '95
W. F. Shugert, Washington, D. C.	Oct '95
Mrs Lena Farnoe, Bellefonte	Jan '95
G. B. Shugert, Bellefonte	Jan '95
G. N. Wolf, Madisonburg	Jan '95
J. G. Meyer, Aronsburg	Jan '95
Geo L. Goodhart, Centre Hill	Jan '95

SALE REGISTER.

SATURDAY, JAN. 12, 1895—Four tracts of land in Walker township and Hubbersburg, the estate of Hon. John Divens and Sophia Divens. Sale at Hubbersburg at 10 a. m.
SATURDAY, JAN. 12, 1895—A fine farm in Ferguson twp., 164 acres; assigned estate of W. Miles Walker. Sale at 10 a. m. on premises. E. L. Orvis, Esq., Assignee.
THURSDAY, JAN. 10, 1895—3 work horses and a large lot of farm implements 1 1/2 miles east of Pleasant Gap, at 1 p. m. by FRIER S. PAGE.
SATURDAY, JAN. 25, 1895—At the court house in Bellefonte, at 2 p. m., a tract of land in Boggs twp., containing 97 acres, thereon erected good buildings, etc.

Bellefonte Market.

Corrected weekly by Geo. W. Jackson & Co:	
New wheat, per bushel	70
Red wheat, per bushel	68
Rye, per bushel	60
Corn, ears per bushel, new	27 1/2
Corn, shelled per bushel	30
Oats—new per bushel	21
Barley, per bushel	45
Buckwheat, per bushel	43
Ground plaster, per ton	50
PROVISIONS, GROCERIES &c. (as corrected weekly by Bauer & Co.)	
Apples, dried, per pound	95
Cherries, dried, per pound, seeded	10
Beans, per quart	28
Onions, per bushel	75
Butter, per pound	20
Tallow, per pound	3
Country Shoulders	10
sides	12
Hams	12
Hams sugar cured	12
Breakfast Bacon	12 1/2
Lard, per pound	12
Eggs per dozen	20
Potatoes per bushel new	70
Dried Sweet Corn per pound	10

Breaking In.

Many a man has
BROKEN OUT,
In a passion, and felt all
BROKEN UP,
Trying to get a new pair of shoes
BROKEN IN.
He has had to
BREAK OFF
Many an engagement on account
of crippled feet, and has gone

BROKE
Many a time trying to get relief
for his corns—the direct cause of ill-fitting
shoes.

You will find all this obviated by
purchasing your footwear at

Mingle's
SHOE STORE.