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REP. TICKET NOMINATED.

Some Stormy Scenes About the
 Primaries.

PENNSVALLEY WAS IGNORED.

All the Republican Candidates from the
 South Side Put Upon the Shelf—How
 Chairman, Crissman "Kills Democrats."
 Resolutions Adopted—List of Delegates
 Present—Ballots for Candidates.

The leaders of a forlorn hope, in this
 county, gathered new inspiration and
 had a merry time in the scramble to get
 on the county ticket this year.

They were a hungry, eager set, travel-
 ing night and day, beseeching and im-
 ploring for party recognition. The
 struggle is over and the ticket was
 named on Tuesday at the Republican
 county convention, held in the Court
 House at Bellefonte.

THE TICKET SLATED.
 The following appeared in the Philadel-
 phia Times on Tuesday morning,
 showing how the Republican county
 ticket was previously mapped out. Here
 it is:

Centre's Republicans.
BELLEFONTE, June 22.
 The Republicans are having it warm
 among themselves and an exciting time
 is promised at to-morrow's convention.
 The slate is about fixed and the sure
 winners are Curtin and Womelsdorf for
 the Legislature, Rickard for Register,
 Fisher for Recorder, George Boal was
 slated for Treasurer by the ring, but it is
 changed now and goes to Harrison
 Kline. A. V. Miller is slated for Sheriff
 and will get it. Riddle and Musser will
 get Commissioners.

THE TICKET NOMINATED.
 The following is the ticket nominated
 in the convention, and shows how well
 the slate went through:

Sheriff—A. V. MILLER, College twp.
 Treasurer—HARRISON KLINE, Spring
 twp.
 Commissioners—M. F. RIDDLE, Spring
 twp., and T. W. FISHER, Union twp.
 Register—E. RICKARD, Rush twp.
 Recorder—G. W. FISHER, Halfmoon
 twp.
 Legislature—H. R. CURTIN, of Boggs,
 and PHIL E. WOMELSDORF, of Philips-
 burg.
 Auditors—JOHN D. WAGNER, Gregg,
 and G. G. FINK, of Worth.
 Coroner—Dr. J. H. LOCKE, of Belle-
 fonte.
 County Surveyor—JESSY CLEAVER, of
 Unionville.

From the above it will be seen that
 the slate went through with but one ex-
 ception—Fisher was nominated for
 County Commissioner, instead of M. M.
 Musser, of Aronsburg.

Pennsvalley, or the south side of Cen-
 tre county, was shelved, high and dry.
 Not one of their numerous candidates
 received respectable consideration at the
 hands of those who direct the policies of
 the Republican party at present. From
 Pennsvalley the following well known
 citizens were applicants for recognition,
 but they were like Lazarus at the rich
 man's door, remained outside while the
 others feasted. The following Republi-
 can candidates, from that section, were
 ignored:

Jacob Herman, Lemont, Sheriff.
 D. C. Ginzrich, Lemont, Sheriff.
 W. B. Krapp, Spring Mills, Sheriff.
 L. Scott Bricker, Boalsburg, Treasurer.
 Geo. M. Boal, Potter, Treasurer.
 George M. Musser, Miles, Treasurer.
 Charles P. Long, Gregg, Treasurer.
 J. G. Bailey, Ferguson, Commissioner.
 Geo. W. Scholl, College, Commissioner.
 M. M. Musser, Haines, Commissioner.
 Harry Stuart, Harris, Register.

Here is an array of eleven stalwart
 Republicans, representing the one-half
 of Centre county, from Ferguson to
 Haines township, which embraces the
 most prosperous farming district, and
 not a single one recognized. Pennsval-
 ley Republicans were not wanted, it seems.
 Comment is unnecessary. One nomina-
 tion they did get, J. D. Wagner, of
 Gregg, for one of the Auditors; and as
 in the past only one has been elected,
 his chances are slim.

Why this discrimination was made, the
 writer cannot say. Probably Chairman
 Gray and the Bellefonte leaders who
 took an active part in the contest, can
 throw some light on the situation, and
 we will leave them to explain.

THE PRIMARIES.
 On Saturday afternoon the first battle
 was fought at the various primaries.
 Over in Gregg township a bitter fight
 was made against C. P. Long for Treas-
 urer, and it almost ended in a row. No
 delegate election was held, we believe.

In Bellefonte there was bad blood
 afloat for some days. County Chairman
 Gray, who is the right hand to the Hon.
 Judge John G. Love, had certain interests
 at stake. He was assisted by Hewes,
 Dales, Bayard and other Republican
 leaders to beat the Administration gang
 —Hastings, Malin, Fleming, Reeder,
 Quigley, Harris and others who were
 known and named as the "coal oilers,"

A SOLDIERS MONUMENT.

**A Petition Circulated to Secure
 One at Bellefonte.**
ERECTED BY CENTRE COUNTY.

To be Presented Before Two Grand Juries and
 When Approved by the Court to be Erected
 at the Expense of the County—Many
 Signers Already.

For sometime there has been senti-
 ment aroused for the erection of a sol-
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 to get the movement on a good start a
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 soldier and others. The following is the
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 self. This petition will be presented to
 the grand jury, at the coming session of
 August court, for approval.

THE CONVENTION.
 At 11 o'clock the convention doors
 were thrown open and an immense crowd
 surged and struggled in the hallway and
 up the stairs, so that the room was pack-
 ed and jammed to overflowing in a few
 minutes. It was the largest crowd that
 ever attended a republican convention in
 this county. The temperature was high
 and everybody was sweltering uncom-
 fortably. At 11:30 Chairman W. E.
 Gray mounted the rostrum and called
 the body to order. Secretary Harry
 Keller, Esq., read the call and Thos.
 J. Mitchell the roll of delegates, which
 showed every district represented. The
 convention numbered 124 delegates.
 The following officers of the convention
 were then chosen by acclamation: Chair-
 man S. S. Crissman, of Philipsburg;
 reading clerk—Thos. Mitchell, of Belle-
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 ris; and J. H. Harpster, of Worth. E. R.
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 John Hamilton offered resolution that
 all resolutions be submitted to the
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AFTERNOON SESSION.
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 and apologized for the delay by stating
 that he was "killing a democrat," and
 that detained him. We understand that
 Crissman finds this a common occupa-
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 arose and consumed about ten minutes
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 candidates for sheriff were excellent
 men, and each was able to fill the office.
 But that in Centre county there was a
 certain democratic majority of about 500
 votes that must be overcome. It was
 necessary not only to nominate a capable
 man, but one who could carry many
 democratic votes to win. He had in
 mind just such a man, who in this re-
 spect surpassed all other candidates. It
 was a man who had been an ardent and
 enthusiastic republican all his life and
 an active worker, who no doubt had
 done more than any other for his party.
 The Prof. then unrolled the scroll of
 time, went back a generation or more.
 He vividly reproduced the scenes of
 1860. The North and South were locked
 again in deadly conflict. The tread of
 mighty armies, the rattle of shot and
 shell, reverberated as vividly as ever.
 The very foundations seemed to quake
 under the cannonading of the hour. Then
 came the vivid scenes of the battle field,
 covered with carnage and desolation.
 Out of all this he produced a hero, than
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 halo, that shed radiant splendor over
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DEATH OF COL. WILKINSON.

In our issue of last week mention was
 made of the serious accident that befell
 Col. W. H. Wilkinson, while riding his
 bicycle near Axemann, on Wednesday
 17th. He was accompanied by Messrs
 Al Dale, Esq., and Harry Valentine.
 Mr. Wilkinson was riding along the foot
 path when he suddenly lost control of
 his bicycle and it went over the six foot
 bank. He was thrown head foremost on
 a rock fracturing his forehead and badly
 cutting his face. He was taken home in
 an unconscious condition and from which
 he never rallied. Death came on Friday
 evening at 8 o'clock.

This sad news was not a surprise, as
 many feared that his injuries were of such
 a critical nature that he could not long
 survive. Nevertheless the announcement
 of his death was deeply mourned by the
 community. His genial manner, kindly
 ways and pleasant disposition had en-
 deared him with the entire community.
 Col. Wilkinson was a friend of everybody
 it seemed and everybody was his friend.
 Wherever you went there were expressions
 of sorrow and regret for his untimely
 death.

In the past year he was suffering from
 indigestion and other ailments, and the
 exercise he found riding the wheel had
 put him in good trim and he was delight-
 ed with the change that had come over
 him and looked forward to many years
 more of health and happiness. On Fri-
 day evening he suddenly became worse
 and his death was rather unexpected.
 He sank peacefully away to his unend-
 ing rest.

William H. Wilkinson was born at
 Bordentown, New Jersey, in 1837. He
 came to Bellefonte about nineteen years
 ago. He first engaged in the hotel busi-
 ness, having charge of the Bush House.
 From the hotel business emerged into
 the dry goods business, having his place
 of business at that time where C. M.
 Parrish's drug store is now located. He
 then commenced handling china ware,
 from the start was successful, and built
 up one of the finest and most complete
 business places in Pennsylvania. A wife
 and one daughter, Miss Minnie, survive.
 An elderly sister is the only member of
 the family that is left. She is at present
 living at Yardville, New Jersey.

The interment occurred on Monday
 evening, services being held in the Epis-
 copal church. All the business places in
 town were closed and the church was too
 small to hold all those who wished to
 attend the services. There were many
 floral tributes. A large cross of Easter
 lilies and roses was sent by the business
 men. The Bellefonte Wheelmen club
 presented a large pillow of choice flow-
 ers. Many cut flowers were contributed
 by numerous friends of the deceased.
 At the cemetery the grave was tastefully
 decorated with flowers and evergreens.
 It truly was a lovely tribute to the mem-
 ory of a departed friend.

Quarreled Over Politics.

At Nigh, near Bellefonte, one evening
 last week, Harry Jodon, aged 18, and
 Mrs. Anna Hockenberry, a neighbor,
 were quarreling over politics, when Jo-
 don ran the woman's boy into the yard.
 Mrs. Hockenberry attacked Jodon with a
 hoe, nearly cutting one eye out of his
 head. It is feared he will lose the sight
 of one eye. The woman will be arrested.
 They were given a hearing on Wed-
 nesday afternoon before Justice Keich-
 line. Mrs. Hockenberry and son Harry
 were bound over for a hearing at Au-
 gust court.

Useful Ignorance.

A young couple in Clearfield county
 were unable to sign their names to a mar-
 riage license last week and had to use X
 instead. They were both born and
 raised in the county and their families
 had been residents of the county for the
 last half century. Pretty rough on the
 educational facilities of our neighboring
 county, this. We are this story comes
 from the other side of the erratic stream
 that divides us. They need compulsory
 education out there.

Raising Houses.

Mr. C. Dere the contractor, of
 Philadelphia, who successfully moved
 the Haines stone residence, on Allegheny
 street, shipped his appliances to Lock
 Haven, this week. He has the contract
 there for raising seven frame buildings
 and one large brick residence. This is
 being done by the owners in order to be
 high enough to prevent damage from
 high water, which in recent years has
 been doing much damage to homes in
 that city.

Clearfield's Democratic Ticket.

The Democrats of Clearfield county at
 their convention Tuesday placed the fol-
 lowing ticket in the field: Congress, Hon.
 D. L. Krebs; representatives, F. O. Betts
 and E. C. Shields; treasurer, George
 Weaver; commissioners, G. I. Thomp-
 son and D. H. Waring. Mr. Krebs' con-
 ferrees are Matt Savage, P. F. Tool and
 D. E. Hibner.

HIS BUSINESS IS INJURED

**By Misleading Dispatches to the
 City Papers.**
CENTRE CO. CATTLE REFUSED.

Philadelphia Markets Will Accept no Cattle
 From Alex McCoy, of Potters Mill—Afraid
 of Hydrophobia.—Caused by False Re-
 ports.

On Tuesday, Mr. Alexander McCoy,
 of Potters Mills, was in town very much
 perplexed by the work of some of our
 newspaper correspondents. Mr. McCoy
 lives on the McCoy homestead, near that
 place. In addition to managing the farm,
 for several years past he has been an ex-
 tensive dealer in live stock. He purchas-
 es mostly milk cows which are shipped
 to the Philadelphia markets for dairy
 purposes. He has been doing an exten-
 sive business in this line, making large
 shipments to his regular customers.

At present Mr. McCoy's business has
 been ruined, broken up entirely by the
 reckless work of some of our newspaper
 correspondents, at this place. About a
 month ago startling dispatches appeared
 in the city dailies, having been sent from
 Bellefonte to the effect that an epidemic
 of a threatening form prevailed in the
 vicinity of Potters Mills. The substance
 was that a mad dog, at the farm of Mr.
 McCoy, had bitten a cow which soon
 developed evidence of hydrophobia and
 had to be killed. The animal was dragg-
 ed out and left exposed in the woods
 and that the dogs in that community
 were feasting on the diseased carcass
 and likewise became infected with the
 rabies, and were causing great consternation
 in the community. These dispa-
 tches were published far and wide.
 Last week an article in *Griff* stated that
 Mr. McCoy had been arrested for neglig-
 ence in this matter.

Now [the above was utterly untrue.
 There was no case of hydrophobia at
 that place. It was only a scare from a
 dog that died with another ailment. But
 the public read the misleading dispa-
 tches, the result has been serious for Mr.
 McCoy. Recently he received notice
 from the cattle markets in Philadelphia,
 warning him not to make any more ship-
 ments this season. They had seen the
 articles in the papers and feared that
 diseased cattle might be sent them and
 cause much trouble in the stock yards.

The effect of this is that Mr. McCoy's
 cattle business, for the present, has been
 ruined, and he will suffer considerable
 loss until the report can be contradicted
 and matters set aright again. Mr. Mc-
 Coy naturally feels aggrieved and is
 thinking of bringing civil proceedings
 against the parties responsible for the re-
 port and publication.

We can't help but admire the enter-
 prise of some of the press correspondents
 at this place. Very little of any impor-
 tance escapes their attention, and Belle-
 fonte events are always reported. But
 in some instances they are indiscreet
 and their dispatches are greatly exagger-
 ated and misleading. The injury done
 to Mr. McCoy's business was not malic-
 ious or intentional, only due to reckless
 work, anything for a sensational news
 item, without calculating the injury it
 may do to a community. They should
 profit by this experience.

Atlantic City Excursions.

The Central Railroad of Pennsylvania,
 in connection with the Reading's "Royal
 Route to the Sea," will have two cheap
 rate excursions during the summer to
 Atlantic City and other seaside resorts
 on the New Jersey coast. The dates
 have not been definitely fixed, but they
 will probably be July 23rd and August
 13th. 6-25-4f.

Married.

June 16th, at the Lutheran Parsonage,
 Snydertown, by Rev. W. K. Diehl, Mr.
 Boyd A. Noll and Miss Emma L. Gar-
 brick both of Zion, Pa. Both these young
 persons are well and favorably known,
 having a large circle of friends whose
 best wishes follow them through life.
 They left on a trip to Pittsburg and other
 points.

Good For Curing Bacon.

A new use has been discovered for
 hops, namely, the curing of bacon. It
 is found that a sprinkling of hops in the
 brine when the bacon and hams are put
 in pickle adds greatly to the flavor of
 both, and enables them to be kept an in-
 definite period.

Fire Near Mackeyville.

Early Monday morning the barn of
 John Fortney, near Mackeyville, was de-
 stroyed by fire. With the building a
 horse, spring wagon, harness, feed and
 other contents were burned. Origin of
 fire unknown.

—WANTED: 50,000 pounds of wool by
 Jt
 LYON & Co., Bellefonte, Pa.

THEY APOLOGIZED.

At the Christian rally at Hecla Park
 last week, an interesting event occurred
 that is worth noticing. At meal time
 three young men passed by a building
 where a table was set with choice viands
 and at which there were three vacant
 plates. Their hunger was intense, and
 concluding that it was the only boarding
 house on the ground, they sat down with-
 out much ceremony and began devour-
 ing everything in sight, and ordered the
 patient waitress about without considera-
 tion. One of the gentlemen began kick-
 ing because the chicken furnished was
 "all bones," and asked for something
 better. This the ladies tried, as
 best, to furnish.

Having filled themselves up to the
 neck they arose and looked about for
 the cashier of the boarding house. Imag-
 ine their surprise when they learned
 that unbidden they had seated them-
 selves at Mrs. John Meese's private
 table and taken the places of three
 young ladies, invited guests, who were
 compelled to wait and make a meal on
 the remnants. One of the gentlemen was
 Francis Spear. If any mistake was
 made, he can now correct it in his
 "That" column.

Be Fair, Gentlemen.

Our Philipsburg contemporaries have
 taken up the *Daily News'* fabrication
 about the sheriff nomination at the re-
 cent Democratic convention, and have
 made a wonderful fuss over the affair.
 They have pictured the wrongs of cer-
 tain candidates in glowing colors. Since
 Mr. Henry Uhl has come out in a com-
 plete denial of the charges that he dis-
 obeyed his instructions and showed that
 Mr. Cronister's nomination was regu-
 larly and honestly made, it simply be-
 comes the duty of all honest newspapers
 to correct any wrong impression that
 may prevail and was circulated by them.

No doubt the Philipsburg papers be-
 lieved they were telling the truth at the
 time. Now that they are better in-
 formed, it remains to be seen whether
 they have the consistency to correct these
 errors and tell the exact truth. We call
 the *Ledger's* and *Journal's* attention to
 this matter.

Moving No Go.

South Williamsport Star: A case that
 may prove valuable by the way of infor-
 mation to a certain class of renters who
 think it is cheaper to move at night than
 pay rent, was decided in court Wednes-
 day afternoon. The defendant in the
 case was John A. Zortman and the charge
 against him was that of cheating and
 defrauding. Mr. Zortman had rented a
 house in his borough from George Bubb,
 and when he owed six month' rent he
 moved his things at night. He was ar-
 rested on the charge stated above, and
 the jury found him guilty. He was sent-
 enced to pay a fine of \$5 and go to jail
 for thirty days.

They Left Suddenly.

"On a recent Sunday," says the Wy-
 oming County Herald, "while services
 were in progress in a church in a near
 by town, what appeared to be a black
 and white cat booted through the door
 and ran swiftly down the church pursu-
 ed by a dog. The fugitive took refuge
 in the pulpit and the preacher taken un-
 aware in the middle of his discourse did
 the natural thing, kicked the cat, hit it,
 and landed it in the midst of the con-
 gregation. It turned out that the cat
 was a skunk. The congregation didn't
 wait to sing the doxology."

Beer Drinking Figures.

The recent national convention of brew-
 ers has served to direct