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BLIND TWENTY-FOUR YEARS.

Joyous Awakening of Old Asa McClelland of Graysville.

LONG DEAD TO THE WORLD.

Tried to Kill Himself Because He Was Sick and the Bullet Causes the Loss of Eyesight—His Strange Experience.

The story of Mr. Asa McClelland, of Graysville, Pa., 15 miles from Tyrone, is as strange as that of Rip Van Winkle, the famous sleeper of the Catskills—and what is more his story is said to be absolutely true. Mr. Asa McClelland, during the late war, fought for his country in Company C. of the eighteenth Pennsylvania cavalry, and, being mustered out in ill health, was soon snugly upon the pension rolls. Instead of improving in health, so as to enjoy his pension in comfort, he grew steadily worse, until in 1870 he took to his bed. His condition was so wretched that he tried to kill himself. The bullet lodged in some corner of his skull, where the doctors could never find it. This attempt at suicide seemed to improve his health for a few months. But he was presently laid out again and gradually lost the use of his whole body. Then his hearing and power of speech left, and at last his sight. After a bit he recovered the use of one hand, and was able to feed himself.

HE GOT AWAKE THE OTHER DAY.

For a few years the neighbors used to drop in to try to cheer him up. But as he could not speak or make any other sign that would let them know whether they were boring or pleasing him, they gradually stopped coming. He was left alone with his housekeeper, who fed him and nursed him. It has been 24 years since he gave any sign of intelligence, unless seizing the food put into his mouth can be called a sign of intelligence. A few days ago he began to stir about and make some incoherent murmuring sounds. These indications of returning interests in the world increased gradually until he expressed a wish to be helped out of bed. Soon he was asking for crutches, and then he announced that his sight was returning. After hobbling about the house and yard he began to ask questions. When he learned that he had been out of the world so long he expressed a desire to hear the news. They told him everything that had happened. But he was not especially interested. He did not conceal his disappointment. He said the world seemed to have been a pretty monotonous place for 20 years. He even intimated that he did not think he had missed very much.

"WHEN I WAS HERE BEFORE."

He is walking about the town now. Graysville is a small place, but it has grown amazingly since Mr. McClelland last saw it. He speaks of the period of his slumbers as if he had spent it in another part of the world. "When I was here before" is the phrase that is constantly in his mouth. When he went into his trance Grant was just beginning his second term. While he was asleep five presidential elections have been held. Mr. McClelland unfortunately was not especially interested in history when he began his sleep, and therefore is not overwhelmed by the amount he has to catch up. He is finding it very hard work to fit himself into life again, and his sensation over his return to the world are rather painful than pleasant. He is only 54 years old. His voice, his ears, and his eyes are as sound as they ever were, and his lameness is rapidly decreasing.

McKinley Club.

On last Friday evening the Bellefonte republicans completed the organization of their McKinley Club, at this place. They have secured as permanent headquarters, the hall on the third floor of the Bush Arcade. The following permanent officers were elected: President Ed. R. Chambers, Esq; Vice-president H. C. Valentine and Thos. Donachy; Secretary, Edmund Blanchard, Jr.; Treasurer, Wilbur Reeder Esq. The name of the club will be "McKinley and Hobart Protection and Sound Money Club." Short addresses were made by Messrs. Chambers, Reeder, Gray, Harter and others. Friday evening will be the regular meeting nights.

Reduced Rates for Mount Gretna.

From August 17 to 21, inclusive, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell, for the above occasion, round-trip tickets to Mount Gretna and return at rate of one fare for the round trip.

For information in regard to train service and specific rates application should be made to ticket agents. 2t

ENGLANDS FEAR.

How Democracy's Success Will Effect Britain. Americans Should Read.

From the London Financial News of March 10.

The financial situation in the United States is very serious. The condition of affairs in the United States congress demands the immediate attention of British financiers and statesmen. The trade of the world is now in our hands, but it will not long remain there if the United States goes to a bimetallic basis with free and unlimited coinage of silver.

"With the addition of silver to the volume of money, everything in America would take on a new face; labor and industry would gain new life. The grip of the gold standard on the products of the world would be loosened and prices would rise. Great Britain would lose her markets in south America, Asia and Europe, and American ships would not be long in capturing the carrying trade of the world."

"British creditors must now apply themselves quickly to the American money problem. The American people are now thoroughly aroused and educated on the power and use of money, and made desperate by debt and business depression, they are forcing free silver as the main issue."

"Great Britain need fear no injury to her trade or investments if the Republican party can force 'protection tariff' as the main issue in the coming presidential campaign, but if free silver dominates the American mind and carries at the polls, it will bring about a change in England that will be ruinous from its suddenness and severity. The damage that can be done by British manufacturers by a protective tariff is slight compared with the disasters that would be entailed by a change from a single gold to a complete bimetallic standard."

"The success of free coinage will bring down the rate of interest on money and cause an immediate rise in the price of all commodities. When silver becomes primary money the American mines will pour their products into the mints, and a new era similar to that produced by the issue of greenbacks during the civil war will begin. Gold will leave the banks and enter into competition with silver in the avenues of trade, and the manufactures of the United States which have been shut down or crippled since 1892, will again resume their fight for the English markets."

"It matters not to Great Britain which party succeeds if the gold standard is maintained, but either of the old parties or a new party which goes into power pledged to free coinage will be inimical and prejudicial to English manufactures and trade."

"The American people are massing now on free silver. When that issue comes fairly before the American people, England will regret her apathy and adherence to the single gold standard."

Newspaper Man Dead.

Lock Haven, July 30.—J. B. G. Kinsloe editor of the Clinton "Republican" and senior member of the publishing firm of J. B. G. Kinsloe & Sons, died at his home Lock Haven, Thursday 30th, aged seventy-six years. He was one of the oldest publishers in the state. He first established a paper called the "Eagle" in that city in 1858. Afterward he published the "Free Press" in Millintown and other papers in this state. During the war of the rebellion he was associated in the management of the Knoxville, Tenn., "Whig." In 1869 he was connected as business manager with the "Gazette and Bulletin" publishing company, of Williamsport. In 1874 he purchased the Clinton "Republican," which he has since owned and managed. He was also associated with his sons in publishing the Lock Haven "Evening Express." His funeral took place at Williamsport Saturday afternoon.

Kerr—Neff.

Wednesday, July 20th, a wedding occurred in Philadelphia, in which Mr. David L. Kerr and Miss Susie E. Neff plighted their troth. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. M. Wiggins, 1018 Arch St., Phila., and was a quiet one. The groom is one of Potter township's well-to-do residents. Miss Neff sailed from this country in August, 1895, and took in all the principal countries and attractions abroad. She sailed on the 16th and landed on Tuesday at Philadelphia. She is the daughter of Joseph Neff, dec'd., of Centre Hill, and the last several years she has devoted to travel.

New Church.

The brick work on the new Catholic church at Phillipsburg, was started with a good force of bricklayers at work and will rapidly push it to completion. It is the intention to have the basement finished first, it is expected to be in readiness for occupancy by Christmas. The auditorium will be finished later on.



"Who says that western farmers don't like mortgages?" —New York News.

SMALL BOYS IN TROUBLE.

Arrested for Stealing Money in Taylor Township.

ONLY 9 AND 11 YEARS OLD.

Maynard and Morton Hill in Jail—Say Their Home is in Hollidaysburg—They Were Going to Phillipsburg—Waiting for Information.

About a week ago two small boys came to the house of John Henderson, in Taylor township, where they were allowed to stay over night. They left the next morning and continued on their journey towards Phillipsburg. After they were gone it was discovered that a purse, containing about one hundred dollars, had been tampered with and \$8 were missing. A warrant was issued and the constable captured the little lads near Phillipsburg. The younger one confessed that he had seen the purse in the parlor and took from it only \$7. Upon returning the money was re-counted and only \$7 were short, which the little fellow cheerfully yielded.

They were then brought to Bellefonte the latter part of last week. They tell the following story: Names are Maynard and Morton Hill, sons of Stephen Hill, an insurance agent of Hollidaysburg, ages 9 and 11 years. Were on their way to Phillipsburg to visit Mrs. Mary Smith.

Commissioner Clerk Hunter has written full particulars to Hollidaysburg to inform the parents. The boys are keen little fellows and some think they are deceiving our officials by their story.

Out Camping.

Two parties of Bellefonters started Tuesday for the woods where they will camp out for several weeks. The one party goes to Eagles Nest, a pretty spot along Spring Creek and is composed of Paul and Herbert Sheffer, Wallace Reeder, John Bower, Mr. Baker of Lancaster, and Mrs. H. C. Schreyer, Miss Schreyer, Miss Robbins, Miss Aiken, Mrs. Herbert Sheffer and several others.

The second party will camp near Curtis Station. In it are Daniel Kellar, Chas. Hendrickson, Richard Lane, Robt. Valentine and one or two others. Both camps are near Bellefonte and will be handy for Sunday visitors about dinner time.—News.

Death of Mrs. Dukeman.

On Monday morning Mrs. Wm. Dukeman died at her home on east Bishop street after an extended illness with consumption. For the past six months she had been confined to the house and was gradually sinking from the effects of the disease.

Mrs. Dukeman was formerly Miss Mary B. Snyder, of Eagleville, and leaves to survive her a husband and three small children,—one a daughter 11 years old and two younger sons. The interment occurred on Wednesday morning at Eagleville.

Silver arguments are becoming the regulation pastime during the evenings, on our streets.

PATRONS PICNIC.

Will open at Centre Hall on September 14th, to last one week.

The following information in regard to the coming Patrons Picnic and Exhibition of Central Pennsylvania, at Grange Park, Centre Hall, will be of interest to many of our readers. It is gathered from a circular issued by the chairman: The camp will open Saturday, Sept. 12th, when all tents will be in readiness for occupancy. The exhibition proper will open Monday, September 14th.

We would advise our friends to arrange to go into camp on Saturday, and be there for religious services on Sunday. The rental of tents 6x10 feet, \$1.50 to \$3, according to location; and tents 12x12 feet, \$4 to \$5. All tents put up and floored ready for occupancy, at the above prices. Tent holders must provide their own outfit. Straw will be furnished to fill bed ticks at cost. Boarding can be had at 25 cents a meal to regular boarders, or parties will be allowed to board themselves.

The Pennsylvania Railroad company will sell tickets to the public at one fare for the round trip, from September 14th to the 19th, good to return until the 21st, over the Pennsylvania road from Harrisburg to Johnstown and intermediate points; over the Tyrone & Clearfield, Bald Eagle Valley, Snow Shoe, Northern Central and Lewisburg & Tyrone roads. The Central Railroad of Pa., and the Bellefonte Central railroad will sell excursion tickets to Bellefonte and return on these dates. LEONARD RHONE, Centre Hall, Chairman.

Charged With Embezzlement.

John A. Weaver, of Phillipsburg, had been in the employ, as traveling salesman, of J. Rearenden & Co., of Boston, Mass, and the last the company heard of him was in this county where he, the company says, embezzled some of their funds. The Boston parties got out papers for Weaver's arrest and they were placed in ex-Sheriff Miles Walker's hands for execution. As Weaver had left the employ of the company for more than a year, and no one knowing him here, it was quite a task for Mr. Walker to get on the track of him. It was a short time before the officer had his man in custody. A hearing was given him before Justice Keichline and he will be tried in this county, at the August term, although it is asserted by the Boston company, the prisoner had committed the same crime in many other places.

Come High—Must Have 'em.

The cost of the division encampment of the National Guard at Lewistown will foot up to not less than \$200,000. The pay of the troops alone aggregates \$139,139.94. The cost of transporting the troops and their supplies to and from Lewistown will amount to at least \$40,000. The subsistence bill and the bills for horse hire and other necessities will aggregate \$35,000 or \$40,000. The state makes an annual appropriation of \$325,000 for the support of the National Guard.

Festival.

A festival will be held at the Marsh creek Baptist Mission chapel, on Saturday evening August 15. Proceeds for the purpose of furnishing the house. All are cordially invited to attend.

THE RESULT OF FREE GOINAGE

Fully Explained How it Would Operate.

ENHANCED GOLD IS HOARDED

As Soon as Free Coinage is Established Gold Will Come Into Circulation—The Benefit of Bimetalism—No Danger Ahead.

Among the numerous replies to the Hon. Wm. C. Whitney's recent manifesto to the Southern and Western Democracy the following from W. H. Harvey, author of "The Tale of Two Nations," "Coins's Financial School," etc., which productions have done more than all other works combined to mould the almost universal prevailing free silver sentiment in this country than all other efforts, furnishes the following answer to Mr. Whitney's letter:

My answer to Mr. Whitney's statement that the election of a free coinage President and congress would plunge the country into ruin is as follows:

On the election of a President and congress in November committed to free coinage the danger of a panic will pass in a day. We will cross the danger line the moment the fact is known. The next day silver will begin to advance and gold to decline. Declining gold will come out from hiding in a few days after the election, hurry to seek an investment, and will go actively into circulation. It will seek to invest itself in things that are raising, for it will fall in value. This is a law that is as inexorable as any of the certain laws of trade. The wheat in existence is sure to fall in value when it is known that a new crop is harvested. So it will be with gold when it is known that a new crop of money is coming.

"It is enhanced gold that is hoarded. Depreciating gold will go rapidly into circulation for favored investment in the raising market. By the time the free coinage act is passed the two metals will have come together. Those who fear disaster from a bimetallic standard do not understand what bimetalism is, or are selfishly interested in promoting dear money. Bimetalism is the right to use money made from either of two metals when one is scarce the other is used. If gold is cornered the people use silver. If the production of one is lessened the other is used. Bimetalism gives to the debtor the option to use money made from either metal. If one is easier to get than the other, or is cheaper than the other, he uses it, and this shifts the demand from the dearer metal to the cheaper metal and restores the commercial parity. Beef, pork and mutton are in competition with each other to supply the demand for meats, and as this is the case neither can raise unduly in value and threaten the health of the nation.

"Neither could gold rise unduly in value, as it has, and threaten the credit of this nation, if silver were in competition with it as money. The supply of the two metals is limited. All the gold in the world available for use as money can be put in the first floor office of the Journal, and all the silver in the world available for use as money can be stored in the same building. The United States produces in a single year, from factories, fields, enough to require all the silver in the world to pay for it. Such a nation can maintain the commercial parity between the two metals. It is the lack of knowledge of the world's production of gold and silver before and since 1873 that accounts for all the errors into which the Eastern people fall.

In the statement that free coinage of silver will drive gold out of circulation the answer is, there is now no gold in circulation. The bankers have cornered it. The only hope of the nation is to put silver in competition with gold as money. The answer to the statement that the election of a free coinage President will cause a run on United States treasury, and thus bring on a panic, is that it is the voice of the people that if silver is to be restored by the side of gold Mr. Cleveland should be expected to tender in payment for representative money at the United States treasury silver and not gold. Our government money calls for 'coin' and not gold, and 'coin' means either gold or silver. If he pays out gold and aids in bringing on a panic, he will be responsible for the panic, and not the people. Mr. Whitney's statement of impending ruin is the threat of Wall street, and is intended to frighten business men and to intimidate the people. If it is true that the money power can do what is threatened, it is sufficient reason for its overthrow, and for treating it as the enemy of the Republic.

"Wm. H. Harvey. 'Author of Coins's School.'

TUBERCULOSIS IN CENTRE.

Tests Show the Disease Present in a Large Herd.

The farmers in the vicinity of Warriors Mark are badly frightened, as a number of examinations have disclosed the presence of tuberculosis among their herds. State Veterinarian, Dr. Leonard Pearson, has made tests on the herd of Levi Nearhoof. There were seventeen head of milk cows and stock cattle. Three milk cows were found that responded to the test, which is tuberculin, once known to fame as "Koch's lymph." The three that responded in test were killed and an examination made.

No. 1, a registered Jersey cow, was shown to be diseased throughout with tuberculosis, and would not have lived over a month. This was pronounced a very bad case. In No. 2 one lung was very much inoculated. No. 3 was a well advanced case in which the lungs and other organs were diseased. The Jersey cow, when one and a half years old, was brought from Chester county, but showed no signs of disease until three months ago. The opinion of Dr. Pearson is that Nos. 2 and 3 contracted the disease from No. 1.

The examinations were witnessed by a large number of farmers and dairymen. Three applications were made to have herds examined.

ROBBERY AT MILESBURG.

On Tuesday evening, between the hours of 7 and 9 o'clock, sneak thieves entered the house of C. P. Storerode, at Milesburg, and got a good sum of money. The family was in the rear of the house and the front door was standing open through which an entrance was gained. They went to the second floor where three trunks were ransacked. From one trunk \$50 was taken and about \$1.50 from each of the others.

The theft was discovered when the members of the family went up stairs and found the trunks ransacked, and the money missing. The \$50 was taken from the daughter's trunk, who had recently returned from New York city. The key to the same had been placed under a cover of the bureau. That indicates that the parties were well acquainted with the surroundings and worked very quietly.

Death of Mrs. Eckenroth.

Mrs. Charles E. Eckenroth, died at her late home on Howary street, at 9:10 o'clock Tuesday evening. The illness of the deceased dates back many years. About six weeks ago she was compelled to take to her bed, from which she never arose again. Stomach trouble is the cause assigned for death.

The maiden name of the deceased was Prescilla Peters, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Peters of Ferguson township. She was born August 15, 1845, being 51 years. A husband, Charles E., and two sons, Edward J. and Frank D., survive her. The funeral will be held from her late residence Friday morning at 6:30 o'clock. Interment will be made at the Union cemetery.

Large Press.

At Axemann elaborate preparations are being made to manufacture cider on an extensive scale. Mr. Henry Meyer and John I. Kurtz purchased a large four-screw press, which is now in the lower factory, at the pike, and will be operated by water power. The capacity of the press will be 125 barrels of cider per day. As apples are a large crop, there will be plenty of work for the new enterprise and an abundance of old-stone hard tangle-foot among the farmers, in that section.

Wages Reduced.

On last Saturday a surprise came to the workmen at the Valentine Furnace company. It was a notice that wages after that date would be reduced ten per cent. Wages now are as low as they possibly can be and this reduction, no doubt, will be a hardship for many. Some people assert that the reduction of wages during a political campaign is an old trick, and will not influence any sensible man in his vote.

Married.

On Wednesday afternoon Miss Mollie Crotty and Mr. Edward Wagner, of Harrisburg, were married at the home of the brides parents, on East Bishop street. They departed on the 5 p. m. train.

Last Excursion.

The Central Railroad of Pennsylvania will have another Atlantic City excursion on Thursday, August 13th. Fare \$5.75. This will be the last excursion to the seashore, by this route.

Festival at Milesburg.

On Saturday evening of this week a festival will be held at Milesburg by the "Willing Workers," on Water street. All the delicacies of the season will be served. Come and enjoy yourself!