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## FEBRUARY ELECTIONS.

Result of the vote in this County on Tuesday.

### A BIG DEMOCRATIC VICTORY

A Regular Landslide in a Republican stronghold—Immense Majorities rolled up—Something dropped—Nagney, Taylor and Trafford Winners.

Tuesday was a quiet election day in Bellefonte boro. Little or no excitement prevailed to indicate that anything was going on of any unusual importance; about the polls everything was quietly conducted. Voters came and went unmolested and only a few party workers were on hand. During the day there was an air of confidence about the democratic workers. They started in to win and kept steadily at work until evening. They had a good ticket in the field, composed of energetic young men, in whom the public had confidence.

The result of the vote was a great surprise to all. It showed that the democrats had made wonderful gains in all wards, electing their Burgess, Tax Collector, Overseer of the Poor, by unprecedented majorities. The election of L. A. Schaffer, justice of the peace, in the North ward, always heavily republican, was another surprise to many.

The result of Tuesday's election proves the old saying that when you think you have downed them, that is the time they bob up serenely and knock things sky-high. There is lots of vitality left in the democracy and in the future will be in evidence.

It may be in order to attribute part of Tuesday's victory to the independent republican voters of our town who contributed to the election of part of our ticket.

### BELLEFONTE BOROUGH TICKET.

	N.W.	S.W.	TOTAL
For Burgess:			
F. E. Nagney, D.	143	212	355
E. R. Chambers, R.	181	92	273
C. C. Shues, Pro.	17	20	37
For Tax Collector:			
H. S. Taylor, D.	256	251	507
Wm. Hillbush, R.	97	85	182
Overseer of Poor:			
John Trafford, D.	185	198	383
David Hartley, R.	153	133	286
Treasurer:			
J. W. Conly, D.	107	153	260
Chas. Cook, R.	241	180	421
Auditor:			
Oscar Weitzel, D.	150	137	287
Thos Mitchell, R.	106	139	245

The majorities for the above offices were as follows:

F. E. Nagney, D., Burgess.....	85
H. S. Taylor, D., Tax Col.....	329
J. Trafford, D., O. of Poor.....	121
Chas. Cook, R., Treasurer.....	218
Jos. Mitchell, R., Auditor.....	25

### ABOUT THE COUNTY.

The following is a list of all persons elected in the various districts throughout the county:

**Bellefonte**—North Ward, Judge H H Schreyer, Inspectors H C Brew, Wm Barnes, School Director J F Harris, Council B H Shaffer, Justice of Peace L A Schaffer, A Weber, Tax Collector J Z Rightmire, Inspectors D O'Leary, Geo Hart, School Director A C Mingle, Council P H Garity, West Ward, Judge C H Bell, Inspectors W W Spangler, John McKeen, Auditor W B Haines, Justice of Peace Frank Stover, W M Green, Clerk G W Berryhill.

**Marion**—Judge Jno W Holmes, Inspectors Israel Condo and Robt H Benson, School Directors H Whiteleather, B F Thompson and J W Yearick, Tax Collector Joel Kling, Auditor Sam Hoy, Justice of Peace A M Hartner and J W Stamm, Auditor W W Orndorf, Justice Geo M Harter, Clerk A H Spayd.

**Miles**—West Precinct, Judge S Beam, Inspectors J R Royer, H N Miller, Reg Assessor R E G Hooper, East Precinct, Judge Henry White, Inspector J A Minnig, M W Adams, Reg Assessor Wm Emerick, Middle Precinct, Judge W J Weber, Inspector C H Musser, H H Royer, Reg Assessor J W O Houseman, School Director Clark M Gram, Reg Assessor Wm Walker, Tax Collector C H Small, Overseer of Poor J A Gramley, Supervisors Jacob Gephart, Andre Oeker, Auditor J B Brumhart, Justice of Peace W J Carlin, Town Clerk W H Hoekman.

**Patton**—Judge G D Green, Inspectors L P Sprout and A H Hoover, School Directors J G Gray and Mesh Williams, Tax Collector W Furtal, Overseer of the Poor S T Gray, Supervisors W Gray and E H Marshall, Auditor W E Hartsook, Justice of Peace S G Gosens, Clerk P B Selphart.

**Penn**—Judge C Alexander, Inspectors Jno Hoffa and Leah Walter, School Dir Benj Wiggard and Geo M Bower, Tax Col James Hoyer, Overseer of Poor B F Traubinger, Supervisors A W Ulrich and Jacob Sandner, Auditor W E Bracht, J P F Garthoff, Clerk A L Auman.

**Potter**—North Precinct, Judge G W Koch, Inspectors David Bradford and E M Galt, Registration Assessor Geo Sweney, S Prec, Judge W A Kerr, Inspectors W M Sweney and J B Hoyer, Registration Assessor W W Royer, School Directors P B Jordan and C W Sack, Tax Collector Jacob Lee, Overseer of Poor F M Boyer, Supervisors Samuel Brass and Adam Krutler, Auditor C G Fortney, Justice of the Peace J S Housman, Clerk Lloyd Kerlin.

**Rush**—North Precinct, Judge W E Frank, Inspectors John Calhoun and John H. Reg, Assessor John Beck, South Precinct, Judge D R F Gardner, Inspectors Sylvester Bear and Patrick Hefner, Reg Assessor George Strrett, School Directors James Garland and Wm Heath, Tax Collector P R Gordon, Overseer of Poor O'Neil, Supervisors Miles Selgriff and Allen Matie, Auditor H H Vrooman, Clerk Frank Gette.

**Spring**—North Precinct, Judge Sam Shirk, Inspectors M E Johnson and Wm Heppner, Reg Assessor Jno D. Dubois, West Precinct, Judge Ed Perdue, Inspectors Wm Tete and Conrad Miller, Reg Assessor Edgar McMurdo, South Precinct, Judge Henry Twimite, Inspectors Otis Hile and Wm Horner, Reg Assessor Jno Barnes, School Directors Joe Miller and R M Knapp, Tax Collector L E Jodon, Overseer of Poor W Brooks, Supervisors Jno S Yearick and H Hartsock, Auditor Frank Fortner, J F H Olliger and J A Hazel, Clerk John Kane.

**Taylor**—Judge John Henderson, Inspectors A B Price, P A Hoover, School Directors A Baney, J K Horner, Tax Collector P S Hards, Overseer of Poor M J Henderson, Supervisors Wm Beagle James McMonaghan, Auditor A B Price, Justice of Peace John Horner, Clerk E Shaver.

**Union**—Judge Owen Underwood, Inspectors O A Shroyer and P L Leughty, School Directors E M Lucas and Jacob Shirk, Tax Collector E E Ehrhard, Overseer Jason Underwood, Supervisors Philip Bremer and Jason Underwood, Auditor C R Eckerstor, Justice of Peace J G Kunes, Clerk Lundy Leach.

**Walker**—Judge Thos J Dunkle, School Directors Jacob Dunkle and Michael Lorman, Overseer of Poor John Gault, Auditor B H Shaffer, Clerk W H Markie, Inspectors L H McCuley and Potter Shamp, Tax Collector E J Markie, Supervisors J A Emerick and E T Cole, Justice of the Peace W W Hummer.

**West**—Judge J T Marks, Inspectors Aaron Williams and A B Woodruff, School Dir H G Woodring and J H Williams, Tax Col S U Harsberger, Overseer of the Poor Adam Lower, Supervisors A W Woodring and A B Williams, Auditor A Y Williams.

## ANOTHER BILLION DOLLAR CONGRESS

Cleveland Favored Leniency With Deserving Soldiers.

### DOINGS AT NATIONAL CAPITOL

Quay can tell how the Republicans Raised Their Campaign Boodle—Aggregated Wealth Must be Restraind—Strong Words from a Prominent Republican—An International Bank.

Another Billion Dollar Congress! Although the exact figures cannot be given until the last appropriation bill has been passed, it is already known, and admitted by the republican Chairmen of the Committee on Appropriations of both House and Senate, that the total appropriations will not only exceed one billion dollars, but that they will go enough beyond that amount to break the high water record made by the previous billion dollar republican Congress by an advance of thirty or forty million dollars. This, too, in the face of the general republican howl about the insufficiency of revenue provided by the present tariff bill. There is little doubt that the republican leaders have allowed the appropriations to pile up, although apparently fighting for economy by shutting out bills even for the smallest public building, in order to make the deficit big enough to excuse the tariff bill they are engaged in concocting. They have made a success of the big appropriations, but when the people get a whack at them in the next Congressional election, they will find how their excuse has been accepted. Representative Sayers, of Texas, who was Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations in the last House made a rattling good speech, attacking the extravagance of this Congress, while the sundry civil bill was before the House.

Notwithstanding the amendments made to a propitiate the opposition, Senator Sherman, who was in charge of the arbitration treaty, was compelled to bow to the inevitable and agree to postpone further consideration of the treaty until next session.

In a speech made by Pension Commissioner Murphy, in answer to resolutions commending his administration of the Pension Bureau, presented by a committee from two Pennsylvania G. A. R. Posts, Mr. Murphy told for the first time in public, the instructions given him by President Cleveland when he appointed him Commissioner of Pensions. Whatever may be one's opinion of many of his other policies, it is difficult to see how any man could have outlined in a few words a more just and patriotic pension policy than President Cleveland did when he said to Commissioner Murphy: "Mr. Murphy, I think you know my ideas of the Pension Bureau and the Pension system. They are just these: In claims coming up for the action of the Bureau, where you find the case of a worthy soldier who served his country faithfully in her hour of danger, you will be lenient with him and give him the benefit of a reasonable doubt. In settling the claims of the widows and orphans, you will act in the same manner, but waste no sympathy on the unworthy."

It should be placed to the credit of Mr. Cannon, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations, that he reported adversely the resolution appropriating \$500 for the erection of a stand for the use of Senators and Representatives and their families on Inauguration day, on the ground that Senators and Representatives should pay for seats, just as other people do, if they wish to sit down to view the inaugural parade.

Senator Quay is reported to have a letter written by Mark Hanna, before McKinley's nomination, demanding that the Pittsburg Iron and Steel Manufacturers put up a large sum of money to be used in McKinley's behalf, and to have threatened to make it public if the McKinley crowd attempt to get to gay with him. Quay is now in Pennsylvania, where he went to help his son "Dick" out in the libel suit, which has been thrown on his shoulders by the publisher of a Pittsburg paper.

When a democrat, or a populist, uses language as Representative Calderhead, a good Kansas republican, did before the House Banking and Currency Committee, of which he is a member, certain republican editors invariable call it "archaic raving." The text of Mr. Calderhead's remarks was the bill naming thirteen American millionaires, among them Andy Carnegie and Phil Armour, as incorporators of the "International American Bank," with authority to establish eight branch banks in other countries. This bill or a similar one has been before this Committee in several Congresses, and it was only when an attempt was made to push it through the Committee when Mr. Calderhead spoke against it, in parts as follows: "The whole United States is in a condition of unrest. The

## A SURPRISE FOR MILLER

Could Not Find the Gross Irregularities Alleged.

### CRONISTER HAS MADE GAINS.

How the Sheriff Contest stands up to date—Their charges and allegations were unfounded—The contest only a "Wild Goose Chase" at the taxpayers expense—Should be stopped.

As indicated in our last issue, the recount of the ballots in the sheriff contest, by Examiner C. P. Hewes, Esq., continued until Monday evening last, when the forty-four precincts, the ballots in which had been impounded by the order of the court, were completed and they adjourned. There are fifty-three precincts in the county, of which nine were not counted, as no irregularities were alleged by either side. The recount in the forty-four districts show a straight majority for Miller of about 650 votes, with about 125 votes in dispute, the legality of which, must finally be determined by the court. It is conceded no intentional or actual fraud at the election was committed, the ballots being remarkably clean and regular and the work of the election officers thorough, with the manifest intention and desire to conduct the election in a legal and honest manner. This was shown in many districts where the returns indicated doubtful ballots in favor of Mr. Miller had been counted by democratic election boards in his favor, without a quibble. The same likewise was done by the republican boards.

No examination of the ballots cast in the townships of Miles, Haines, Penn, Curtin and in the N. P. Gregg and S. P. of Potter was had and the vote in these precincts, so far as the count is concerned, will be governed by the official returns. All these districts have heavy democratic majorities that more than overbalance the 650 majority for Miller.

It now is in order for the EXAMINER to make proper return to the Court of his work and we understand the same will be made at the March argument term. The inspection of the ballots having been completed, it is next in order to take evidence on both sides for the purpose of showing the number of illegal votes cast. This may take considerable time. The length and expense of the contest will be determined to a large extent by the amount of evidence taken.

The allegation in Miller's petition that a great number of votes were marked in the republican circle and also opposite Cronister's name and which had been counted for Mr. Cronister, proved unfounded, as the entire re-count showed only four such ballots cast and counted for Mr. Cronister, while nine such ballots were cast for Miller. Both parties admit that such ballots must be rejected, in which case Mr. Miller loses five more than his opponent.

Among the democratic attorneys who followed the re-count and are acquainted with the situation, the utmost confidence prevails as to the result. They are more than pleased, and some think the contest now is practically concluded. It has demonstrated that there was no foundation for the oaths made by various citizens as to gross irregularities—the opposite being the result.

It is the general opinion that Mr. Hewes was a satisfactory appointment for examiner. He was careful, painstaking and fair in every particular towards all parties concerned.

In substance, the re-count is considered a decided victory for Mr. Cronister, and there is every reason to believe that he will continue as the High Sheriff of Centre county.

**Closes a Deal.**  
E. M. Huyett closed a deal for three hundred acres of fine timber land in the Seven Mountains. He bought the tract from Mr. Daniel Fleischer, of Centre Hall, and says there is enough timber to cut off five million feet. He will start operations on it as soon as possible. Other large and adjoining tracts he is thinking of purchasing and will operate on a larger scale than ever. For an outlet it is probable a tram road will be built to Penn Cave station on the railroad to haul the lumber.

**Horses at Large in the West.**  
Western papers inform us that hundreds of horses will perish on the plains this winter for the want of a market to provide them protection. In the far west fine horses can be bought for \$3 a head, and some can not be given away. The introduction of electricity as motor for street cars has much to do with producing the surplus. In New York the cab companies are going to do away with horses and use motor carriages.

**To cure a cough or cold, in one day, take Krumrine's Compound Syrup of Tar. If it fails to cure, money refunded.**

## MOUSE MAKES A RECORD.

Reels Off Twenty-Eight Miles on the Front Wheel of a Bicycle.

A few nights ago a McKean county Pa., mouse made a great record on a bicycle. A man residing there has his bicycle stored for the winter in the cellar of his house. It hung suspended from the rafters. On the axle of the front wheel was fastened a cyclometer, that last fall the gentlemen had set to zero. On the night in question the gentlemen in question heard a peculiar noise in his cellar, but no further attention to it. Soon he retired, and in coming down stairs next morning he heard the same noise. This aroused his curiosity, and he went to the cellar, and there a queer sight met his eyes. The front wheel of the suspended bicycle was slowly but regularly revolving, and near the tip of the tire was a tiny mouse, panting for breath, but running as fast as its weary legs would carry it, to keep from falling. The mouse had evidently jumped or fallen from the rafters to the tire; the wheel commenced to revolve, and to keep from falling the mouse had to run, just as does a mouse or squirrel in a wire cylinder. The gentlemen captured the mouse, but after allowing the well-nigh exhausted animal to rest for a half a day in a box, and feeding it, he set it at liberty, thinking it had earned its freedom by its long night's work. Later he thought of the distance the mouse might have traveled, and examining the cyclometer he found that 28 miles were recorded.

### Should be Located at Bellefonte.

An effort is being made to relieve the overcrowded penitentiaries by creating a new district to consist of the following named counties: Potter, Tioga, Bradford, Sullivan, Lycoming, Northumberland, Columbia, Montour, Fulton Bedford, Cumberland, Franklin, Adams, Somerset, Blair, Cambria, Huntingdon, Union, Snyder, Dauphin, Lebanon, Perry, Juniata, Mifflin, Clearfield, Clinton and Centre. A bill providing for the erection of another penitentiary for the district named is now in the legislature. It provides that a state penitentiary, capable of holding 500 prisoners at solitary confinement shall be erected at or near Harrisburg, the expense of which shall be defrayed by appropriations, to be expended under the direction of seven commissioners to be appointed by the Governor. It is proposed to erect a penitentiary on the plan of the eastern penitentiary at Philadelphia, and \$500,000 is appropriated for the purpose.

**Gas Struck at a Depth of Over 600 Feet.**  
The directors in Lock Haven of the Salt Lick gas and oil well received word Friday morning that gas had been struck in the well near Karthaus. The well is on the Centre county side of the river opposite that town, and is the third well that is being drilled by that company. The gas was struck at a depth of 612 feet and was steady and strong in force. Drilling was at once stopped and the directors notified. A meeting will be held in a few days to determine whether the well shall be shot or whether the drill shall go deeper into the earth. The flow of gas has greatly excited people in that vicinity.

**Point for Liqueur Men.**  
The superior court at Williamsport was called upon Thursday to decide whether a liquor merchant residing in another state and not having a license to sell in Pennsylvania may recover for bills contracted by Pennsylvania buyers where the statute requires such a license. The parties in the case argued were Joseph Silverman & Co., of Cincinnati, and W. E. Rumbarger, of DuBois. The lower court of Clearfield county has awarded Silverman & Co., the plaintiffs, their full claim of \$295.65.

**Bartholomew's Store Sold.**  
The R. E. Bartholomew store, at Centre Hall station, was sold on Tuesday the 8th, to Rev. A. D. Potts, Ph. D., of Youngstown, O., and recently in the Luth. ministry. He is a son-in-law of Alex. McCoy, of Potters Mills, and failing health induces him to relinquish the pulpit. He will take possession of the store by first of April. Mr. Bartholomew has not sold any of the real estate.

**Wandering Towards the too.**  
The widow Long, at Penn Cave, is undoubtedly the ripest lady in years in these parts. It will not be many more weeks before she will round her 97th year. She is the mother of Jesse and Samuel Long, who, with her still reside on the farm so long their home and upon which the cave is found.

**Another Excursion.**  
The Bellefonte Central railroad has decided to run another excursion from Pine Grove Mills to this place at the low fare of 25cts. for the round trip. The date has been set for Monday, February 22nd, and a large crowd is expected.

**Will Build a New Hall.**  
Sugar Valley Lodge, L. O. O. F., has decided to erect a three story building in Loganton, the upper floor of which will be used as a lodge room. The building will be 30x60 feet and will be located on the southeast corner of Main and Hall streets. The trustees of the lodge are John Morris, W. P. Moyer and B. F. Kipper.

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