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## SHOOTING IN SOUTH CAROLINA

A Centre County Man Was Seriously Wounded.

### AN AMPUTATION NECESSARY

Emanuel Motz, Formerly of Woodward, has an Exciting Experience—Shot his Man Three Times—Will Go Gunning Later on Crutches—A Desperate Character.

Emanuel Motz, when quite a young man, left his home in Woodward this county early in the fifties and spent the greater portion of his life in the far West. He was on the frontier and in the mining camps much of his time and knew how to "rough it". Some years ago he and Senator Hearst purchased the Brewer Mines, in South Carolina, and have been successfully operating the same since.

Mr. Motz recently invented a device for recovering the small particles of gold that escape from the stamp mills and are embedded in the wash sand below. This method he kept secret as it would prove valuable. During the past summer a stranger, from Charleston, was noticed about the works and his inquisitive manner revealed the fact that he was attempting to steal Mr. Motz's method of recovering the washed out gold. A close watch was kept on him continually.

One evening, about three weeks ago, Mr. Motz was alone in his office, as all the employes had gone for their supper. The stranger came in and very abruptly notified Mr. Motz to write down and sign what he dictated. He politely accompanied the request by brushing a 42-calibre revolver in Mr. Motz's face as a special inducement to be prompt. Equal to such an emergency from his experience in the western mining camps, Mr. Motz pulled his gun. It was a revolver of smaller calibre, but in a short time he put three bullets in the impertinent visitor's breast.

They grappled and in the tussle the stranger sent one ball into Mr. Motz's shin bone that shattered it so badly that an amputation was necessary. The stranger is lying in the hospital, a very sick man, but will recover.

Mr. Motz brought no action against the man. In a letter to his nephew C. M. Bower, Esq., of this place, he gave an account of the affair and concluded by saying that the stranger would soon be well, and as soon as he, Motz, is able to move about on crutches he will "hunt for his man," and that another funeral would follow. If Mr. Motz keeps his word it will not be the first man he put to sleep, and this last chap also will be likely to "turn his toes to the daisies."

Mr. Samuel Motz, of Woodward, is a brother of Emanuel, and there are many other of his relatives and acquaintances in Centre county who will read this with much interest.

Carl Motz, the present Post Master, at Woodward, this county, is a son of Emanuel Motz.

### Christmas Purchases.

In two weeks from Saturday Christmas, the glad season of the year, will be here. The usual custom of making presents to near relatives and dear friends still prevails. You may be in doubt as to what to select and where to find it. If that is the case make a careful inspection of our columns and see what some of Bellefonte's leading merchants have to say on this subject. They have purchased elegant lines of goods suitable for the holiday trade and are anxious to have you come and see the same.

Before starting out to make your purchases read what our merchants have to offer. It will assist you in doing your holiday shopping.

### Death of Thomas Wilson.

On Saturday afternoon Thomas Wilson died at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wilson. He was 26 years old. Some years ago the young man received a painful injury to the side of his head which finally affected his brain and for some time he was mentally deranged and died from the effects of this injury. Interment on Tuesday, at the Advent church.

### Small Railroad Sold.

The Altoona, Clearfield and Northern railroad, which is the connecting link between Altoona and Phillipsburg, was sold Monday to Samuel P. Langdon, of Philadelphia, who represents the project of Pittsburg, Johnstown, Ebensburg and Eastern railway. The amount of purchase money closely approximates \$200,000.

### Will Remove to Hecla.

The stove mill near Hublersburg will be removed to Hecla, where the owner has contracted for 400 acres of fine timber.

## SPANISH LOSSES IN CUBA.

General Blanco's report to the home government to a certain extent lifts the veil from the situation in Cuba. He shows that of the 192,000 regular soldiers sent to Weyler, only 89,000 remain fit for duty. Forty thousand are now in the hospitals while 63,000 have been killed by the Cubans, or died from disease.

It should be borne in mind, when contemplating the losses of the Spaniards that the Cubans have never been able at any time to muster and arm more than 20,000 active men.

In addition to the losses of the Spaniards, we must also take into consideration the awful suffering that has been entailed on the population by the inhuman methods of Weyler, the destructions of property, the murder and assassination of peaceable citizens and the horrors of starvation which thousands are now enduring.

All this misery, degradation, death and destruction has been going on right under the eyes of a great republic that makes high pretensions to Christianity.



### Don't Abuse the Confidence.

The country newspaper man's real friends are those who pay every year. His best friends are those who pay at the beginning of each subscription year; or if that is inconvenient, when the time of receiving it is half out; or if any are unfortunate, and have not the money then, before the year closes. The city newspaper's friends are all real, for the publisher thereof will send no paper unless he gets his pay in advance. That's the difference in having friends who will ask for trust and those who will trust you; and confidence should not be abused.

### Wife Supports The Husband.

The supreme court of California has decided that under certain circumstances a wife may be compelled to support her husband. This decision was rendered in the case of an aged and infirm spouse who was deserted by his wife. The wife was ordered to pay her husband twenty-four dollars a month. There are men in other states who are strong and healthy, and yet compel their wives to support them. It is a pity that the courts cannot reach their kind.

### Four Hundred Pound Bear.

A black bear weighing four hundred pounds was killed within the limits of the borough of Canton last week. The bear had been eating frozen apples in the orchard of Daniel Preston. Bruin was followed by hunters when he left the orchard and was shot and killed in the woods at the edge of the town.

### A Veterans Back Pay.

Eight years ago Mr. W. A. Tobias, of Millheim, a veteran of the late war, made his application for a pension. The pension was at last granted last week, and he received his check for \$54.33 back pay on Tuesday. He will draw \$30 per month hereafter. That ought to make Billy smile.

### Visiting His Old Haunts.

Ex-banker William H. Dill, of Philadelphia, has been spending a few days in Clearfield, his old home, a guest of Capt. Thos. E. Clark. He is said to be holding quite a responsible position in the Quaker City at this time, the character of which we have not ascertained.

### Died at Salona.

Mrs. David Wetzel died Tuesday morning at Salona of typhoid fever, aged about 58 years. She is survived by her husband and three children. Funeral services will be conducted Thursday afternoon. Interment in Cedar Hill cemetery.

### Brick Works Closed Down.

The setters finished their work in the brick works last week and the burners will have concluded the season's work next Monday, when the works will close the largest season's output since the works started.—Mill Hill Times.

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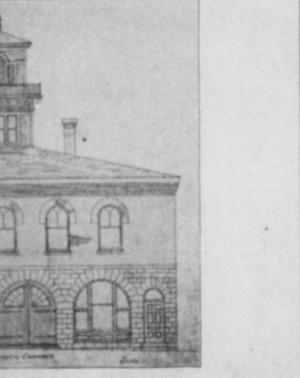
## BORO COUNCIL AT HOME

The First Meeting Held in the Public Building.

### ROOMS NICELY FURNISHED

The Logan Steam Fire Company are Comfortably Quarters—Proceedings of Council on Monday Night.

For some years our Boro Council have been talking of erecting a Public Building. The old "ramshackle," occupied by the Logan boys for years was almost rotted down and unfit for use. After much discussion and financing, the present council went to work, finally their project assumed shape, contracts were let, work was rapidly pushed along and now the building is completed. It was accepted, and now is occupied by the Logan steam fire company, with ample rooms for storing engines and apparatus, meeting rooms, halls, toilet rooms,



etc., that are necessary and convenient. The company have furnished their main rooms with handsome Brussels carpet, new chairs, tables, beautiful chandeliers, etc.

The Logan fire company held their first meeting in their new quarters on Tuesday evening.

In addition there is a commodious council room with vault for public documents. A special room is located on the first floor for the chief Burgess, and a lock up will soon be provided.

The structure is heated with steam from a boiler in the cellar, which will keep the engine supplied with hot water constantly.

We herewith give an illustration of the new building, which we published some time ago, and is a correct view of the front facing on Howard street.

### COUNCIL MEETING.

The following is a brief account of the Monday evening session:

The attention of the water committee was called to exposed water mains on N. Penn street.

Wm. Kramer, owing to illness, asked to be exonerated from taxes, as he was unable to work.

A plank crossing was ordered on Linn street, at Armors.

James McCafferty was directed to furnish coping and stepping stones for front of public building.

Numerous repairs on streets were reported by Chairman Brachbill.

Water mains are to be extended to Daniel Snyder's residence. He to do the ditching.

The sewer at L. T. Munson's was ordered to be repaired.

A telephone was placed in the public building.

Bills to the amount of \$914.62 were approved.

The following members of council will retire from that body in February, unless they should be re-elected:—Harry Keller, of North Ward; Wm. Brachbill, South Ward; Wm. Hillibish, West Ward. Mr. Hillibish has been in council continuously for a term of twelve years, the longest of any one known to have held this position in our borough.

### Lock-Up Needed.

Now that the new Public Building is completed the council should at once provide a suitable lock-up, so that our police officers could lock up an occasional subject, and house up about fifty of the bad boys of town, that make the nights hideous. See to it gentlemen and provide a respectable lock-up, if there is such a thing.

Owing to the bad condition of the old lock-up the police officers have no fit place to put prisoners. A suitable lock-up is much needed.

Ord r For Box Cars.

The Car Works at Milton have received an order to construct 250 box cars for the Norfolk and Western railroad.

## CONCLUSION OF COURT.

The Following is the conclusion of last weeks session of court:

In the case of Rose Sternberg Lyon vs. Gustave Lyon, the case was submitted to the jury on Thursday afternoon, at 2:15, and at four o'clock the jury returned with a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$5375. The defendant has made a motion for a new trial, assigning ten reasons therefore.

The First National bank of Bellefonte vs. Half Moon township, summons in assumpsit, plea non-assumpsit. This case grows out of one of two notes given by the supervisors of the defendant township to William S. Gray for a steam engine to run stone crusher. The note was discounted by the plaintiff for Mr. Gray, and the present supervisors contend that the township had not received value for the notes, and are defending against the notes. Verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$108, subject to a question of law reserved by the court as to whether supervisors can give negotiable paper.

William M. Seigle vs. The Iron City Mutual Fire Insurance company of Pittsburg, Pa., summons in assumpsit, plea non-assumpsit. Continued.

A. B. McNitt vs. Edith S. Vonada, administratrix etc. of G. W. Vonada, deceased, with clause of scire facias to Edith S. Vonada, widow, Isaac Smith, guardian of Lolo C. Vonada, Bessie V. Vonada, J. Lee Vonada, Susan M. Vonada and Irene May Vonada, minor heirs and legal representatives of George W. Vonada, deceased, scire facias sur judgment, plea nil debit, with special plea filed. Verdict in favor of the defendants.

Court adjourned on Thursday evening.

### Man Missing.

On Nov. 22, John Armour left his home at Cato, a small village near Snow Shoe, and has not been heard of or seen since. His cane was found along the road and nothing else has been seen or heard of him since. On Sunday a large party of men were out searching the mountains in that vicinity thinking that some trace or clue might be found of him.

Mr. Armour was about 60 years old and by occupation was a laborer and farmed a small tract of land. He was afflicted by a cancerous growth on his lip that distressed him very much. He is married and has a child.

### Lycoming County Court.

In the Lycoming county court yesterday Isaac and Samuel Lebo were called before the court and sentenced on the charge of selling hard cider in McHenry township. The sentence of the court was that each pay a fine of \$50 and costs and undergo an imprisonment in the county jail for a period of thirty days. They were also warned against a repetition of the offense.

That is a warning that hard cider is a bad thing to deal in. It usually is very hard on the consumer.

### Louis Daggett Killed.

Louis Daggett, Esq., of Tioga, father of W. L. Daggett, proprietor of the Bush house, in this place, was accidentally killed Thursday morning of last week.

He had recently purchased a timber tract in Tioga county and was going over it to examine it when a limb from a tree fell and struck him on the head. He lived only a few moments afterwards and no one but the workmen were about him when he died.

Mr. W. L. Daggett, his son, of the Bush house had gone home for a visit and fortunately saw his father before the sad fatality occurred. He was 83 years old.

### New District Attorney.

E. P. Geary was appointed district attorney, of Clinton county, to serve the unexpired term caused by the resignation of Postmaster Hall. Mr. Geary will serve until January 1, 1899.

E. P. Geary was born in Centre county and was educated in the public schools and Dickinson seminary Williamsport. He read law with T. C. Hipple, Esq., and was admitted to the Clinton county bar in May, 1881.

### Death of a Former Centre Countess.

Charles W. Gray, one of Tyrone's representative citizens, died at 12 o'clock Monday night of last week, after an illness of 12 weeks, the result of typhoid fever and complications arising therefrom. He was a native of Centre county, having been born and reared at Matternville, and was aged 40 years. He is survived by his wife and five children.

### To Build a Third Track.

The Pennsylvania railroad company announced intention to construct a third track from Altoona to Gallitzin. This will give employment to about 2,000 men, and will involve an outlay of nearly \$500,000.

To cure a cough or cold in one day take Krumline's Compound Syrup of Tar. Money refunded if it fails to cure. If

## THEY WON SCHOLARSHIPS

Will Be Sent to the L. H. State Normal

### DESERVING YOUNG LADIES

Portraits of Miss Ida Showers and Miss Violetta Wolf—All Expenses Paid by the Centre Democrat—Former Scholarships Awarded by Us.

Owing to a delay in securing cuts we were not able to publish the portraits until this week of the two young ladies who won scholarships. This was an unavoidable disappointment—but better now than never.

According to our proposition, The Centre Democrat has supplied Miss Ida Showers, of Zion, and Miss Violetta Wolf, of Centre Hall, with accepted bills covering all expenses—tuition, boarding, etc.—for the Winter Term at the Lock Haven Normal. They secured these scholarships by a voting contest,



MISS IDA SHOWERS.

with coupons cut from this paper. Both are bright, deservi g, energetic young ladies anxious to continue their studies in an institution of this kind, and they duly appreciate the efforts put forth by their many friends throughout the county who assisted them in this direction. Miss Ida Showers is a daughter of Mr. Samuel Showers, of Zion. Miss Violetta Wolf, is a daughter of Simon Wolf, of deceased, of Green Barr, Sugar Valley. Of their ages we cannot speak, except to say they are young and in addition quite pleasing and attractive.

Last year the Centre Democrat furnished



MISS VIOLETTA WOLF.

ed scholarships to Miss Mary Twitmeyer, of Pleasant Gap, and Wm. Rearick, of Benner township. The year prior, the first was awarded to Wm. Cormau, of Benner township.

Five scholarships in all have been furnished, gratuitously, by this paper, in the past three years. What may be done in this line, in the future, remains to be seen.

### Can of Varnish Exploded.

At Altoona last evening Mrs. Cora Krause, after lighting the gas, threw the burning match to the floor. It fell into a can of varnish and immediately there was a loud explosion. The burning fluid flew over Mrs. Krause, ignited her clothing and set the room on fire. Members of the family ran to her assistance. Her clothing was torn off, when it was seen that the woman was terribly burned from the head to the waist. A physician did all he could to alleviate her sufferings. The flames in the room were extinguished after causing fifty dollars' worth of damage.

### Western Penitentiary Inmates.

There are now 1,050 convicts in the Western penitentiary, and 700 of these will be thrown out of employment after January 1, 1898, when the new law regulating the manufacture of goods in prisons goes into effect. Centre county has a number in that brigade.

## LIST OF JURORS.

The following is the list of jurymen drawn for January term of court, commencing on Monday, January 24, 1893

### GRAND JURORS—1ST WEEK.

- Jacob Krumline, farmer.....Ferguson
- William M. Bower, ".....Potter
- S. T. Brooks, teacher.....Spring
- David Rhinesmith, farmer.....Benner
- Robert Montgomery, painter.....Bellefonte
- Samuel W. McCoy, laborer.....Potter
- J. S. Dauberman, butcher.....Centre Hall
- A. C. Iddings, farmer.....Boggs
- J. W. Evans, ".....Gregg
- William Keller, laborer.....Miles
- John A. Wagner, bank messenger, Bellefonte
- Jacob Rankle, laborer.....Gregg
- Robert A. Lucas, laborer.....Snow Shoe twp
- C. P. Long, merchant.....Bellefonte
- Charles Garis, stonemason.....Spring
- A. J. Johnson, undertaker.....Liberty
- William A. Lyon, butcher.....Bellefonte
- W. S. Weston, farmer.....Taylor
- Daniel Korman, merchant.....College
- E. P. Barton, farmer.....Union
- E. C. McKinley, miller.....Milesburg
- Warren Stover, farmer.....Gregg
- George Koch, plasterer.....Potter
- James Neese, laborer.....Miles

### TRAVELER JURORS—1ST WEEK.

- Jacob Gross, axemaker.....Spring
- Miles Heaton, farmer.....Boggs
- A. V. Hoyt, surveyor.....Phillipsburg
- D. A. Grove, dealer.....College
- Isaac A. Gates, farmer.....Ferguson
- A. C. Dunlap, barber.....Gregg
- David Bartley, carpenter.....Bellefonte
- George E. Parker, merchant.....Phillipsburg
- Andrew Dastling, gentleman.....Spring
- Daniel Strawcutter, laborer.....Liberty
- Samuel Shirk, laborer.....Spring
- William Kern, farmer.....Snow Shoe twp
- Wallace Kerstetter, farmer.....Penn
- Isaac Eilenberger, ".....Ferguson
- Harvey Meese, teacher.....Benner
- C. K. Essington, merchant.....Milesburg
- Henry Walker, farmer.....Burnside
- George Lynter, laborer.....Bellefonte
- R. C. Daley, farmer.....Bellefonte
- B. F. Kester, shoemaker.....Millsheim
- Isaac Hoover, laborer.....Union
- Abram V. Miller, gentleman.....State College
- F. W. Weber, mechanic.....Harris
- Frank McKinley, farmer.....Boggs
- P. W. Swope, doctor.....Huston
- Henry Armagast, farmer.....Benner
- Thomas M. Bell, engineer.....Phillipsburg
- H. R. Bidwell, carriage trimmer.....Bellefonte
- Marshall Cox, laborer.....Boggs
- Samuel Hittner, ".....Potter
- A. J. Johnson, carpenter.....Worth
- George W. Haisor, carpenter.....Patton
- George Fravel, ".....Snow Shoe twp
- John Johnsonbaugh, farmer.....Walker
- James Armstrong, laborer.....College
- Frank Thorpe, ".....Harris
- William Zeigler, ".....Miles
- G. R. Decker, butcher.....Haines
- Arthur Kerlin, teacher.....Centre Hall
- R. P. Barnes, laborer.....Spring
- D. B. Thomas, farmer.....Harris
- Howard Ocker, laborer.....Haines
- M. C. Walk, farmer.....Taylor
- William Horner, laborer.....Spring
- Edward Meese, ".....Spring
- George Brown, farmer.....Spring
- Albert S. Allen, butcher.....Harris
- J. C. Condo, blacksmith.....Gregg

### TRAVELER JURORS—2ND WEEK.

- James A. Rooney, laborer.....Penn
- George J. Hunter, creameryman.....Harris
- George L. Jackson, supt.....Bellefonte
- W. W. Bilger, laborer.....Rush
- Ellis Way, farmer.....Union
- Isaac Egan, laborer.....Liberty
- Isaac Smith, farmer.....Gregg
- Benner Way, ".....Benner
- Jacob DeHaas, landlord.....Howard Boro
- William B. Warr, carpenter.....Ferguson
- J. W. Housman, ".....Miles
- Elias Treasler, farmer.....Miles
- J. Toner Lucas, merchant.....Snow Shoe twp
- John B. Resides, miner.....Rush
- Robert Lank, laborer.....Phillipsburg
- L. C. Clinton, merchant.....Phillipsburg
- E. E. Knarr, marblecutter.....Millsheim
- Joseph Barton, clerk.....Unionville
- L. T. Eddy, book-keeper.....Milesburg
- James Boone, laborer.....Curtin
- Isaac Martz, gentleman.....Ferguson
- James Lenker, merchant.....College
- William Mulbarger, laborer.....
- William A. Alexander, farmer.....Union
- William Goss, ".....Ferguson
- George Hartsock, drayman.....Phillipsburg
- Jesse Long, farmer.....Gregg
- David Bilger, gentleman.....Rush
- Jack Hickles, clerk.....Phillipsburg
- John G. Platt, merchant.....Phillipsburg
- George Hoover, lumberman.....
- Wm. H. Tibbens, farmer.....College
- John Packer, laborer.....Howard
- Green Doeker, farmer.....Gregg
- Amos Straw, ".....Harris
- John DeLong, ".....Miles

### Blow at Fake Contests.

The postoffice department at Washington is taking a firm stand against the so-called "missing letter" and "missing word" contests which are being conducted by a number of publishers to increase the subscriptions to their papers. The lottery law directs that the post-master general, upon evidence satisfactory to himself that a concern or person is operating through the mails a lottery or scheme of regular prizes dependent upon lot or chance, to prohibit the delivery of all mail matter to it. Missing letter contests are held to be such violations, because many correct answers can be given, but only one list is deemed to be the "correct list" by the promoters of the scheme. The chance consists in guessing what words compose the so-called "correct list." Such schemes are held to be especially obnoxious, owing to the skillful wording of the advertisements, which make the chance for obtaining a prize more remote than in the defunct Louisiana lottery.

### Will Shoot Ducks.

Governor Hastings in company with Attorney General McCormick, spent the past week on the Chesapeake bay, shooting ducks. He will be absent about a week.