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A SET OF OLD FOGIES

A Progressive Age with Many Decided Changes of Opinion.

MONROE DOCTRINE A FARCE

Our Boasted National Traditions Don't Count When Any Territory is in Reach—Washington, Jackson, Jefferson and Monroe are out of Date—Only Old Fogies.

We live in a progressive age, Old things are done away, and behold! all things have become new. The person who has lived his three score years and ten has witnessed greater changes than Methuselah ever saw, who died at the age of nine hundred and sixty-nine years.

Habits of thought and long cherished opinions have undergone as great changes as have been wrought by the application of steam and electricity to the modes of traveling and in the business pursuits of life.

Our fathers thought that Ben Franklin accomplished a wonderful result when he invented the lightning rod to protect their dwellings from an electric stroke. So it was, but such a discovery now would be hardly worthy of a newspaper paragraph since Morse harnessed the lightning and we are driving it with a single line to bear messages round the globe, outrunning time itself in its rapid flight. We do not propose to even outline the wonderful progress and achievements of this wonder-working age. The physical, intellectual and moral progress, we trust, are in harmony, preparing for a better civilization than has yet been enjoyed by this sin-cursed world. Opinions of prominent men, once revered and cherished of axiomatic truths, are now rejected as the vapors of ignorance. When President Monroe proclaimed that no foreign Government should be permitted to endanger the safety and perpetuity of our republic by establishing on this hemisphere a government not in harmony with our free institutions, it was universally approved.

Washington and his patriotic associates warned their countrymen to avoid all entangling alliances with other nations. Our wisest statesmen believed that the United States had ample room for building the grandest republic ever established on this planet. To accomplish this end it was universally believed that there should not be any enlargement of area by annexation of territory not contiguous to the republic. They gave notice to all the world of their determination to construct a model republic within their own boundary, and that they would not tolerate any interference with their plans and purposes. The Monroe doctrine, once so popular, is now obsolete.

Those who advocated the Monroe doctrine are now classed as old fogies. Men in this progressive age are expansionists, and boastfully declare that the whole continent belongs to the United States, and will be annexed as fast as the broken fragments of decaying empires can be gathered up.

The declaration of Jefferson that a just government derived its power from the consent of the governed was once regarded as one of the precious gems in the political literature of the illustrious statesman. That doctrine is repudiated or modified to suit emergencies. The consent of the governed may be obtained in the same manner that a highway robber gets the purse of his victim. Hold up your hands and deliver is very effective in the presence of a revolver.

Major General Brooke, of our army, the Military Governor of Cuba by the appointment of the President on the 1st inst., made a proclamation to the people of Cuba, in which he said that the protection of the United States will be directed and every possible provision will be made to carry out the objects through the channels of civil administration, although under military control. Five or six other military governments will be at once established to control the semi-savages occupying the numerous islands of far-distant oceans recently acquired by the United States. The President, who is the Commander in Chief, makes the conservative estimate that an addition to the regular army of 100,000 men, well disciplined, with an ample supply of the munitions of war, supported by a greatly enlarged navy, all properly officered, and all under the direction of McKinley, the Commander in Chief, will be sufficient to get the consent of ten or twelve millions of savages and outlaws, who know nothing and care less about our Government and self control. We do not question the conservative estimate of the President as to the number of soldiers wanted and the expenses incident to obtaining the consent of these new recruits. We put the opinion on record, which will be indorsed by men well posted in army expenses, that 300,000 will be required to begin with, and that the ranks will be depleted by disease of the inhospitable and unhealthy climates. The fathers of the republic entertained the opinion that a large army in time of peace was a perpetual menace to the existence of popular government, and hence made no provisions for great military establishments. The old fogies only provided for two kinds of government—territorial and state. They never dreamed that the United States would have outlying provinces to care for. They did not expect that it was a part of their holy mission to go armed and compass sea and land to compel the heathens to give their consent to become American citizens.

Verily this a progressive age, and the wisest sage cannot tell whether we are drifting. Of this we are quite certain, that a generation soon passes away, and all who are hereafter born in Cuba and in the fourteen hundred Philippine Islands, or in Hawaii of the Pacific Ocean, will be native-born citizens of the United States.

Our statesmen will be able to adapt their government to suit the wishes of the governed. If a constitutional government is not to their liking, we can let them make their own selection, as they will have outlived all of the old fogies, and the organic law of the republic will be among the curiosities of an antediluvian age—Enquire.

A BIG SALE.

Clinton County Purchased the Bald Eagle, Nittany and Brush Valley Turnpike.

The Lock Haven Democrat says that the case of the Bald Eagle, Nittany and Brush Valley Turnpike company vs. Clinton county, which has been set for trial next week, has been settled. The viewers, when they condemned the pike a few years ago, awarded the company \$4,500. From that award the pike company appealed, they claiming that they should have \$16,000 to \$18,000. The case was set for trial two or three times, but was postponed from time to time. For some time back the county commissioners have been endeavoring to effect a settlement satisfactory to both sides, and to-day both parties agreed upon terms, which terms have been approved by the court and will be accepted in the shape of a special verdict on the 17th inst.

The terms of agreement are, that the company shall be paid \$8,000 of which amount \$3,000 is to be paid in cash and \$5,000, without interest, is to be paid in six months from February 1, 1899. The pike is to be exempt from the payment of tolls after February 1. The company is to retain the three toll houses, and must make the pike the full thirty feet in width in front of each toll house. If any of the toll houses stand upon the right of way (which is fifty feet in width), they must be removed within ten years.

Alas, for the Peach Crop.

From the Lock Haven Democrat: The recent cold snaps, it is stated by owners of peach orchards, played havoc with the peach buds. The sudden drop of the temperature New Year's night is the cold snap that did the most mischief. Since that time J. S. Brownlee, of Mackeyville, who owns a peach orchard, has examined over twenty-five trees, on all of which the buds were completely frozen. Dr. Dumm, who owns the largest orchard in Nittany valley, has examined the branches of over 200 trees, and met with the same finding—the buds all dead. In not a single one of all the trees examined could be found a bud that showed any signs of life. Several trees in this city have also been subjected to the scrutiny of peach growers, with the same result. These gentlemen state that the peach crop in this section next season will be a total failure.

Almost a Serious Accident.

On Tuesday evening when the family of D. H. Rote, of Aaronsburg, were about sitting down to supper, a bullet crashed through the west window of the room, crossed the room a few inches in front of their daughter Mamie, who was in the act of placing her chair to the table, and passed out through the window on the east side. On investigation they found George Homan living west of town, had carelessly discharged a rifle pointing in the direction of town to frighten a dog.—Reporter.

Cleary Pardoned.

Charles E. Cleary, who was serving a life term in the western penitentiary for the murder of policeman Paul, at Renovo, was pardoned on Wednesday 11th. He was convicted on May 2nd, '91, and sentenced to be hanged. An appeal was carried to the Supreme court without avail, but the board of pardons commuted the sentence to life imprisonment.

Where They Are.

A bachelor once asked a married man who had an excellent wife where he found her. The reply was "at home with her mother and not on the streets."

DEATH RECORD FOR THE WEEK

Several Prominent Citizens Have Answered the Summons.

A FEW BRIEF BIOGRAPHIES

Gen. Woodring, of Port Matilda, died suddenly—Fatal illness of Daniel F. Lane, of Bellefonte—Other Deaths in the Community.

For about two years General Jackson Woodring, of Port Matilda, this county, has suffered from tuberculosis of the stomach and intestines and everything that medical skill, and the careful nursing of a devoted wife could do was done for him, but on Saturday at 10:25 p. m., January 14th, 1899, he found rest from his earthly suffering. A large number of sorrowing relatives and friends paid the last tribute of respect to him on Tuesday morning, last, when after an impressive service held in the Presbyterian church, conducted by Rev. Edwin White of the M. E. church of Port Matilda and Rev. C. W. Rishel of the M. E. church of Snow Shoe, assisted by a large choir which rendered several appropriate selections, his mortal remains were laid to rest in the Presbyterian cemetery of that village.

General Jackson Woodring son of Michael and Nancy Woodring was born in Huntingdon county this State Sept. 30th, 1853, and at the time of his death was aged 46 years, 3 months and 14 days. He was secretary of the school board up to his illness and served in various local offices and discharged every trust with care and fidelity. Personally a staunch Democrat he was elected in a Republican district on account of his worth and sterling integrity. For several years he has owned and resided in the former Haddon house property the only public stopping place for quite a distance around and he made his customers feel as if they were stopping for a rest at home rather than a public house.

He leaves to survive him his aged father and mother, several brothers and his immediate family consisting of his wife, Bella B., son, George C., and two daughters, Viola and Edith. A little daughter preceded him to the grave some years since and he is buried by her side.

General Woodring had a host of friends and few enemies and his genial ways, encouraging words and helpful suggestions warmed and gladdened the hearts of those with whom he came in contact. He died in the hope of a blessed immortality through faith in Christ as his Saviour and his sorrowing friends should remember that:—

"Death's but a path that must be trod,
If man would ever pass to God."
A FRIEND.

Death of Daniel F. Lane.

On Wednesday evening, at 5 o'clock, Daniel F. Lane died at his residence on east Bishop street, after a brief illness. Monday of last week he felt badly and went home. His primary ailment was a kidney disorder and other complications followed. Services will be held at the residence this Thursday afternoon, after which the body will be taken to Altoona, where members of his family reside, and on Friday the interment will take place at Alvaton, Westmoreland county, Pa.

A wife, two boys 12 and 7 years old, and an infant daughter survive. Mr. Lane was about 38 years of age and about two years ago moved with his family to Bellefonte where he held a position in Krumrines' store, as assistant druggist.

Mr Lane had many friends here and was well and favorably known in the community.

Sudden Death.

Charles E. Davis, son of Frank P. Davis, died at his home on East Logan street Tuesday evening of typhoid pneumonia. He was taken ill on Saturday night with the grip. On Sunday night he was compelled to take his bed and the grip turned to typhoid pneumonia which resulted fatally at the above stated time.

The deceased was born in Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 19, 1882. He was therefore just 16 years, 1 month and 29 days old at the time of death. He came to Bellefonte two years ago with his father who is employed at the Standard Scale works. He was in the Junior class of the High school. He is survived by his father and mother, one sister, Grace; one half-sister, Mrs. James Wian and a half-brother, William Briggs, all of this place.

Funeral Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the house. Interment in the Union cemetery.

A Former Bellefonder Dead.

Wesley Tate, who for several years was head miller at George W. Jackson's mill in this place, died at Grayhampton, Clearfield county, on last Saturday. His death was due to miller's asthma. His

remains were brought to Bellefonte Monday afternoon and taken to Hunter's Park, where the funeral took place Tuesday afternoon, from the home of his brother-in-law, Benjamin Bodie.

Deceased was the son of the late William Tate, of Hunter's Park. He is survived by his wife, who is a sister of Martin Reese, of this place, and by the following named children: Ida, Harry, Bessie, Charlie, Boyd, Fred and Marie.

Died at Williamsport.

Mrs. Catharine Hess, wife of J. M. Hess, died at 7 o'clock Tuesday evening at the family residence, Williamsport, of heart failure. Funeral takes place from St. John's Lutheran church, at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Hess was a sister of Frank, Sadie and Nannie Stover, of this place; Mrs. Henry Gingerich, of Linden Hall; Mrs. Matilda Musser, of Altoona; Mrs. George Kaup, of Boalsburg. One daughter, Mrs. Gorman, survives. Her age was about 50 years.

At a Venerable Age.

The venerable Elijah Fisher, of Snow Shoe Intersection, aged about 83 years, died at noon Wednesday, of old age. He is survived by a wife and two children, namely, Mrs. Aaron Smith, of Phillipsburg, and Willard Fisher, of Snow Shoe Intersection. Full particulars next week.

Death of Mrs. W. C. Johnson.

Mrs. W. C. Johnson, of Rote, died Monday evening, aged 63 years, 2 months and 19 days. Mrs. Johnson has been afflicted with catarrh of the stomach for the past two years, and had been confined to her bed since last August. She is survived by her husband and eight children.

Death of Miss Maggie Bannison.

Miss Maggie Bannison, a well known lady and sister of Capt. S. H. Bannison, of Jacksonville, died at Howard Saturday night. The funeral took place Tuesday morning at 10:30. Interment at Cedar Hill cemetery.

Miner Killed Near Phillipsburg.

At Troy, near Phillipsburg, Monday evening, a premature fall of rock in the Morrisdale coal company's mine killed Arthur George and broke the leg and cut the head of Ralph Ganoe.

Lloyd House Changes Hands.

The Lloyd house, for years one of the leading hotels of Phillipsburg, has been sold by Joseph Pickering to John W. Hooten, of Munson's Station, who will take charge of the same on the 23rd inst.

Seriously Ill.

During the past week Rudolph Schadd has been seriously ill, at his home this place. He was in delicate health for several years and recently his ailment took a serious turn. His friends are alarmed and doubt his recovery.

Grip Among The Prisoners.

Grip has broken out among the prisoners in the western penitentiary at Pittsburgh, over 200 of them being stricken with that disease. The chaplain and ten officers are also down with it. No cases of grip had appeared until one week ago.

Off For Manila.

Corporal John and Private Perry Simler, sons of Harry Simler, of Phillipsburg, members of the Seventh U. S. I., the first detachment left Columbus on Sunday evening for New York enroute to the Philippines. The regiment will go by way of the Mediterranean, Suez canal and Indian ocean, and will require about six weeks to make the trip.

The Fence Law.

Thomas J. Edge, state secretary of agriculture, in reply to a question in reference to fence laws in this state, says: The act of March 11, 1842, is very clear in its provisions as to maintaining line fences. In all cases where the land is or has been "improved" they must be erected and maintained at the joint expense of the adjacent land owners. If one owns improved land adjoining the woodland of a neighbor, then that neighbor cannot be compelled to maintain any share of the fence, because the land (woodland) is not "improved" land within the meaning of the act.

Commendable.

Miss Rebecca Heckman, who teaches school in Benner township, performed a commendable act recently. She discovered that three of her younger pupils had been away from school for some time. She soon inquired as to the reason and found that they did not have sufficient clothing to venture out during the cold weather, and the parents were unable to purchase them. With her own money she proceeded to town and secured the necessary clothing. This is charity in the true sense, and Miss Heckman is to be commended. She is a daughter of commissioner Daniel Heckman.

—Remember that the Democratic caucuses will be held on Saturday, Jan. 28.

LATEST NEWS FROM HARRISBURG

Quay is Short 13 Votes of an Election

DEMOCRATS REMAIN FIRM

On the Second Ballot Quay Polls full Strength 112 votes—Elkins Confirmed After a Bitter Fight—Quay is in Danger—Gobin Will be Deposed.

General Gobin forced adjournment of the joint Assembly immediately after it had taken its first ballot on Wednesday at Harrisburg. Quay got 112 votes, being 13 short of the necessary 125, as 248 legislators participated.

The arbitrary rulings in yesterday joint Assembly of the Legislature of Lieutenant Governor Gobin seemed to have killed what chance for re-election United States Senator Quay may have had. Prompted by Senator Grady and other stalwart Quay men, the Lieutenant Governor not only refused to entertain an appeal from his own rulings but utterly ignored the demands of a dozen members for a roll call on a motion to adjourn, which had evidently been overwhelmingly defeated on a viva voce vote.

QUAY MEN SEEM DESPERATE.

Desperate, indeed, seem the Quay men to be, though the shrewdest of the Senator's managers openly deplore the bulldozing tactics of General Gobin, and say to their intimate friends: "To-day's work will give Quay a heap of trouble." The immediate result was an indignation meeting, attended by 135 members, whose ranks were swollen later by the addition of four more names. Of these protestants eight were classed as Quay men, and it is not believed he can get any of them back, though his friends dispute this claim.

MEMBERS TO OUST GOBIN.

The revolting members will probably adopt heroic measures at the joint session to-day. They have been advised by some of the best lawyers in the State. That body, they argue, has a clear right to organize for the business for which it is created by electing its own presiding officer.

GOBIN WILL TRY TO ACT.

Notwithstanding the anti-Quay meeting's protest the Lieut. Governor said after its adjournment that he proposed to continue presiding over the joint assembly for the Senatorial election. The question raised as to his right to hold two offices, was recently referred by him to Deputy Attorney General Reeder and an opinion is still awaited.

It is probable that the anti-Quay men and Democrats combined, having a clear majority, will take matters into their own hands and organize the convention by electing their own presiding officer.

When the senate proceeded to consider Mr. Elkin's appointment Mr. Henry started the ball a rolling by attacking Mr. Elkins and charging that only recently he had been removed from a state office for malfeasance. "He broke the constitution" continued the Philadelphian, "and he took the moneys from the State treasury. This appointment is an insult to the Senate."

Others defended Mr. Elkin, and said that he had been removed from office through factional politics, but that his personal integrity had never been questioned. Mr. Flinn ended the debate by saying that Mr. Elkin was not dishonest, but was a foolish man.

THE VOTE IN DETAIL.

A vote on the question of confirmation revealed the fact that 33 senators voted affirmatively and 113 negatively. Two-thirds of all the members having voted yea, the nomination was declared to have been confirmed.

The democrats voting for confirmation were Messrs. Boyd, Haines, Neeley and Stiles.

Insurance Commissioner James H. Lambert has been requested to resign, and refused until cause is shown. His commission does not expire until 1900. He has written a sharp letter in reply to the governor's request for his resignation. But this did not interfere with the governor's plans. He immediately "fired" Colonel Lambert, and the name of ex-Senator Israel W. Durham went to the Senate last night.

Ex-Senator Israel W. Durham, of Philadelphia, was confirmed by the Senate as Insurance Commissioner without opposition.

THE STONE—JENKS INAUGURAL.

Governor Stone's inaugural, from start to finish, is an indictment of the management of State affairs by the Republican party, and by the faction of that party whose instrument Governor Stone is now and always has been, so far as opportunity presented. Mr. Jenks may

FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

A Column of Pithy Paragraphs that Sparkle with Wit and Humor.

Lunar-tics.

We sat alone, while 'round about
The darkness settled o'er us,
Till prudent Mother Moon came out
And satelite before us.

The self-made man is sometimes a very poor job.
It's a poor farm that can't acquire a mortgage.

Some people make mistakes as a regular business.
Flying flakes again fill the liveryman's heart with joy.

Every day begins unhappily; we have to get out of bed.
Every day is ground hog day with the sausage manufacturer.

It's a cold day when you can see the paper frieze on the wall.

The man who praises the baby always wins the mother's smile.

The learned man has a fortune that he can't be bunked out of.

Tailors make wedding suits and lawyers make divorce suits.

It looks as though Spring were toying with old Winter's whiskers.

Some reformers are constitutionally opposed to the constitution.

Buying liquor at retail and using it wholesale has ruined many a major.

All the world's a stage and a majority of the performers play to the galleries.

A soft answer generally provokes wrath when a fellow's at the telephone.

A man has a right to his own opinions and to the opinions of everybody else.

The man who is most discreet when sober is the biggest fool when otherwise.

Love makes a man think of diamonds and marriage makes him think of clubs.

Eagan wants to remain in the War Department, and yet he wants to get Miles away.

There's a smoldering spark of wisdom in the brain of the man who knows when to go home.

"I'm very fond of dates," remarked the office goon, as he disposed of last year's calendar.

When a man strikes a "new wrinkle" he wants everybody to know about it; but with a woman it's different.

It always makes a man mad to have people compliment him on his success and then add that they can't understand it.

One of the late Mr. Keely's backers has died of a broken heart. There are others who are alive and broken in a different way.

Marquis Ito, in his latest speech, seems to say that whenever China needs another dose of reform, Japan will have her snicker-see ready.

Some traitors are bad and others are merely good men who have been converted from the error of their ways and are no longer available for campaign use.

"Excuse me, sir," said Barker to a boorish traveler, "but what is your business?" "I am a gentleman, sir—that's my business." "Ah," said Barker, "I see. You are taking a holiday."

"Don't you think that old Mossbanque carries his prohibitionist tendencies too far?" I should say so. Why, he even refused to allow his family to go to Europe when he found out that they had taken saloon passage.

Real Head of the House—John, our new girl is a jewel. She's the cheerfulness, most lively creature I've ever had in my kitchen. Always flying around and always singing. Ostensible Head of the Family—Then she isn't a jewel, Maria; she's a bird.

"What do you think of your new neighbors?" asked the hostess of the "sweet" old lady who was calling. "You know that I never speak unkindly of any one. I have nothing to say of her; but I will say her husband that I feel very, very sorry for him."

"Are you an expansionist, Mr. Scadds?" asked young Mr. Hunker, who felt bound to talk to the old gentleman while he waited for Miss Scadds to descend to the parlor. No, I am an anti-expansionist," replied Mr. Scadds. "My family is quite as large now as I care to have it."

Assurance.—"Don't you want to be the George Washington of the Philippines?" asked one of the insurgents. "Not at all," was the calm and haughty reply; "but I shall have no objection if some future historian turns his dates around and alludes to George Washington as the Aguinaldo of America."

"A combination of chewing gum manufacturers has been formed," remarked Mrs. Snaggs.

"That is a combination which ought to stick," added Mr. Snaggs.

"Ice is cheap now," remarked the observant boarder.

"No doubt of it," added the cross-eyed boarder; "but what prompted your remark?"

"If you go to the river you can see it going."

—Scott's Refined Minstrels next Thursday evening.