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JANUARY TERM OF COURT

A Number of Vicious Men Sentenced.

CASES TRIED AND VERDICTS

Snow Shoe and Phillipsburg Furnish Several Sensational Cases—Sent to the Penitentiary—Reported by S. D. Gettig, Esq.

January session of court convened on Monday morning, at half past nine o'clock, with Honorable John G. Love of this district on the bench.

After hearing a large number of petitions and motions by the several members of the bar, and partition proceedings. Col. J. P. Coburn, chairman of the committee of resolutions on the death of Honorable John Blair Linn, the senior member of the Centre County Bar Association, presented the resolutions drafted and moved their adoption, and that they be spread in full upon the minutes of the court.

Col. Coburn, Hon. A. O. Furst, D. F. Fortney, and Hon. John G. Love, paid glowing tribute to the memory of the deceased, as a citizen, an official, as a lawyer, and last but not least, as a historian of no mean ability. As a further mark of respect to the deceased, court adjourned at eleven o'clock until two o'clock in the afternoon.

At two o'clock court convened and the new officials in the Prothonotary's office and District Attorney, M. I. Gardner and N. B. Spangler are taking up their respective work relative to court matters like old veterans.

List of grand jurors called and F. P. Blair, jeweler of Bellefonte, chosen foreman, and after being charged by the court relative to their duties as grand jurors the jury retired to pass upon the several bills of indictment that may be laid before them by the District Attorney.

List of traverse jurors called and absentees noted. The constables of the several boroughs and townships of the county made their several reports to the quarter sessions court in the forenoon.

After hearing another lot of petitions and motions and the calling of heirs in several decedents' estates, the civil trial list was gone over and cases noted for trial as follows.

R. L. Pierce vs. Thomas Byron, appeal, plea non assumpt. Continued. Dr. S. F. Neving vs. DeLamme G. Stewart and William Hippie, overseers of the poor of Burnside township; appeal, plea non assumpt. Continued generally.

John P. Harris use of Marion Petriken and Dr. G. F. Harris vs. John M. Dale, administrator cum testamento annexo of Eliza I. Curtin, deceased, and A. G. Curtin, Jr., scire facias, sur judgment No. 44 January Term, 1897, plea nil debit. Verdict in favor of the plaintiffs for \$691.65 with stay of execution for six months.

Charlotte C. Burd, (now Bahm) vs. Elizah Bard, administrator of etc., of William R. Bard, deceased, scire facias sur judgment, No. 288 January Term, 1895, plea nil debit. Verdict in favor of plaintiff for \$972.50 and an attorneys commission of \$120.00.

The following cases on the second week's list were disposed of as follows: Emeline Hough vs. M. G. Brown, Jno. Weaver, A. R. Powell, Alfred Graham and Cyrus Gordon, summons in trespass. Plea not guilty. Continued at the costs of the plaintiff and not to be continued for the same cause again.

Joseph S. Ford, executor of George W. Ford, deceased, vs. William I. Jackson, Eleanor H. Jackson, David D. Woods and John Shook, ejectment, plea not guilty. Continued and not to be put on the trial list again without leave of the court.

Salt Lick Oil and Gas Company vs. S. A. Butler, replevin, plea non cepit and property. Continued before court. The Bucher & Gibbs Plow Company vs. Cyrus Brumgart, guarantor of W. L. Goodhart, assumpsit; plea non assumpt. Continued at the costs of the plaintiff.

Commonwealth ex-relations in and for the use of Rachael Dale and Amanda Walker vs. J. Henry Meyer, and I. D. Murray, who survive C. C. Meyer and William McFarlane, deceased; assumpsit, plea non assumpt. Settled. Austin Swisher vs. John Bruss, George Bruss, Hugh Adams and Elizabeth Bennett; ejectment, plea not guilty. Continued at the costs of the plaintiff.

The first criminal case taken up was Com. vs. Dr. R. J. Young, charge challenging to fight a duel; prosecutor John D. Brown. This case is from Snow Shoe and grows out of a note, sent by the defendant to the prosecutor, on the 4th day of July 1898, to settle the difference by the arbitrament of war to the death. Verdict not guilty and dividing the costs equally.

Com. vs. John F. Fink, charge betray.

al; prosecutrix, Belle Newman. The defendant plead guilty and the usual sentence was imposed by the court.

Com. vs. John Smith, charge betrayal; prosecutrix, Phoebe Styers. Defendant plead guilty to the charge of fornication, and was sentenced to pay costs of prosecution and a fine of \$20.

Com. vs. David Chambers; charge first count, aggravated assault and battery. Prosecutor James Stark. This case grows out of the difficulty the Stark boys had with John G. Uzzle, at Snow Shoe, some time ago, of which full mention was made at the time in the papers. Mr. Chambers is the constable in Snow Shoe township, and when Mr. Uzzle was assaulted by Emanuel Stark and his friends, Mr. Chambers rushed in and quelled the riot, and in so doing used his bill. Verdict not guilty, and the prosecutor to pay the costs and sentenced to pay the same.

Com. vs. Rosa Bumbarger, charge assault and battery; prosecutor Lewis Aikey. Verdict not guilty and the prosecutor to pay four-fifths of the costs and the defendant one fifth.

Com. vs. Emanuel Stark and James Stark; charge, first count assault and battery; second count, aggravated assault and battery; third count, assault with intent to kill. Prosecutor George B. Uzzle. This case, with four others, grows out of the assault made on John G. Uzzle, and previously referred to, when Emanuel Stark struck Mr. Uzzle over the head with a pick handle felling him to the pavement, and the injury of which laid Mr. Uzzle up for a while. The Com. entered a nol-pros. on the third count as to Emanuel Stark; and on the second and third count as to James Stark, after which they plead guilty to the remaining counts of the indictment. Sentence was suspended as to James Stark, and Emanuel Stark was sentenced to pay a fine of one dollar, costs of prosecution and to the Reformatory at Huntingdon.

Com. vs. Ellsworth Casher, Ambrose Davis and Nicholas Menchio; charge, first count assault and battery; second count, aggravated assault and battery; third count, assault with intent to kill. Prosecutor John G. Uzzle. These parties were arrested for aiding and abetting the Stark boys in the attack upon Mr. Uzzle. The Commonwealth entered a nol-pros as to the second and third count, and the defendants plead guilty to the first count. Sentence was suspended.

Com. vs. John G. Uzzle, charge assault and battery, prosecutor W. E. Davis. The Commonwealth entered a nol-pros.

Com. vs. John G. Uzzle, charge assault and battery, prosecutor Emanuel Stark. The Commonwealth entered a nol-pros.

Com. vs. Edward Gill; charge first count, assault and battery; second count, aggravated assault and battery; third count, felonious assault with intent to murder. Prosecutor J. H. Derr. This case grows out of the stabbing affray at Phillipsburg, some time in December, 1898, on Second street, between Presquise and Laurel, when the defendant after some altercation near the Central Hotel, slipped up from behind and stabbed the prosecutor three times with a knife, cutting him once across the cheek, once across the temple, and once on the left chest, all of which cuts have left ugly scars. The Commonwealth entered a nol-pros as to the fourth count, and the defendant plead guilty to the first three, and was sentenced to pay a fine of one dollar, costs of the prosecution, and to the Western Penitentiary for a period of two years and six months.

This ended the criminal cases for trial and the following civil case was taken up: W. W. Laird vs. Samuel Frantz, appeal, plea non assumpt. This suit is brought to recover balance on a contract to build a barn in Worth township, while the defendant alleged that the contract was not finished according to terms and that the plaintiff was paid in full for his work. Verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$31.65.

All jurors, traverse and grand, were discharged on Wednesday evening.

GRAND JURY REPORT.

To the Honorable the Judge of the Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace in and for the County of Centre, January Session, 1899:

The grand inquest of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, inquiring for the County of Centre in all matters relative to the same do respectfully report:

That we have acted upon twenty (20) bills of indictment, seventeen of these we have found true bills and three we have ignored.

We have visited the public buildings, and find the jail, jail yard and sheriff's residence in very good condition, but would respectfully recommend that the wooden partition which separates the male from the female prisoners be removed and replaced by a permanent one of double wall, with an iron door and an iron door frame.

We would most respectfully recommend that more ample and convenient accommodation be made for the witnesses in attendance upon the Honorable Court and for future Grand Jurors, particularly the latter. To summon twenty-four men as Grand Jurors and require

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FARMER'S INSTITUTES

Two Sessions in Centre County Next Week.

BOALSBURG, MADISONBURG

Complete Program For Each Session Given—Topics to Be Discussed and Other Important Arrangements—By The Department of Agriculture of Pa.

Next week two Farmers Institutes will be held in this county under the direction of the Department of Agriculture, of Pennsylvania. The expense of holding these gatherings is paid by the state and therefore the sessions will be free to all. Topics of interest to farmers will be discussed by prominent men. Hon. John A. Woodward, of Howard, has arranged interesting programs for the various sessions which are given in full:

BOALSBURG INSTITUTE. Jan. 31 and Feb. 1, 1899.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, 1:30.

A Welcome.—Rev. G. W. Leisher. Peach Culture.—John F. Boyer, Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa. The Barnyard.—J. A. Fries, State College.

Fruit Culture for Profit.—Gabriel Heister, Harrisburg.

Poultry Breeding and Feeding for Profit.—Geo. C. Watson, Prof. of Agriculture, State College.

TUESDAY EVENING, 7:30.

Query Box. The Township High School.—Prof. C. E. Hower, Boalsburg.

Education for Country People.—John F. Boyer.

Education in Rural Districts.—Dr. M. G. Benedict, State College.

The Betterment of Rural Schools.—Prof. C. L. Gramley, County Supt. of Schools.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, 9:30.

Query Box.

Our Mistakes.—John F. Boyer.

Corn and Fodder as a Food.—Dr. H. P. Armsby, State College.

The Dairy Cow and her Development.—Harry Hayward, State College.

Market Gardening.—Gabriel Heister.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, 1:30.

Query Box.

The Farm That Farms the Farmer.—John F. Boyer.

What Organization has done for the Farmer.—Mrs. Frank Brown, Boalsburg.

How to Keep some of the Bright Boys on the Farm.—Rev. A. A. Black, Boalsburg.

Relation of Lime and Marl to Agriculture.—J. A. Fries.

How to Make Farming Pay.—Gabriel Heister.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, 7:30.

Ladies' Session.

Query Box.

The need of Agricultural Education in our Schools.—Mrs. D. W. Miller, Pine Grove Mills.

Beautiful and Historic Places.—Miss Myra Lloyd Duck, Harrisburg.

Country Homes.—Gabriel Heister.

Local Committee.—Frank McFarlane, J. H. Weber, Prof. P. H. Meyer, S. H. Bailey, Prof. C. E. Hower, L. O. Mothersbaugh, Jacob Weber, Miss Sallie Keller.

MADISONBURG INSTITUTE. (February 2nd and 3rd, 1899.)

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, 1:30.

Prayer.

Address of Welcome.—Rev. H. H. Romig, Madisonburg.

Response.—Rev. M. N. George, Rebersburg.

Peach Culture.—John F. Boyer, Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa.

How to Make Farming Pay.—A. R. Alexander, Millheim.

Relation of Lime and Marl to Agriculture.—J. A. Fries, State College.

THURSDAY EVENING, 7:30.

Query Box.

Who is to Blame that Farmers are not better Scholars.—A. J. Hazel, Madisonburg.

The Institute as an Educator.—Dr. Geo. L. Lee, Madisonburg.

Education in Rural Districts.—Dr. Martin G. Benedict, State College.

The Betterment of Rural Schools.—Co. Supt. C. L. Gramley, Rebersburg.

FRIDAY MORNING, 9:30.

Query Box.

Near Sighted or False Economy.—John F. Boyer.

Profitable Stock Raising.—James A. Keller, Centre Hall.

Loss of Nitrogen in Barn-yard Manure and how to Prevent it.—J. A. Fries.

Fruit Culture.—Gabriel Heister, Harrisburg.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, 1:30.

Query Box.

Pennsylvania, Her Advantages and Resources.—E. L. Royer, Rebersburg.

The Farmer as a Reader.—G. I. Yearick, Madisonburg.

How to keep some of the Bright Boys on the Farm.—Gabriel Heister.

My Experience with Lime.—Jos. K. Moyer, Centre Mills.

FRIDAY EVENING, 7:30. (Ladies Session.)

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Neglected Duties.—Mrs. A. N. Corman, Rebersburg.

When Grandma was Young.—Miss Sara Bierly, Madisonburg.

Beautiful and Historic Places.—Miss Myra Lloyd Duck, Harrisburg.

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The following dispatch has been going in the daily papers. No one of the Gov's. close friends in town could give any information about it. A special telegram from Bellefonte, O., says:

General Robert P. Kennedy has returned from Washington, after a conference with President McKinley and Senator M. A. Hanna. The President tendered General Kennedy a position as a member of the new commission in the war department, at a salary of \$2,000 a year. The appointment is agreeable to Secretary of War Alger.

It is stated that ex-Governor Daniel H. Hastings, of Pennsylvania, is to have the position in the bureau of American republics made vacant by the death of Joseph P. Smith. General Kennedy was once an applicant for the same position.

Cuban Paper.

"The Times, of Cuba," is the name of the first American daily newspaper published in Havana, dated Jan. 10, a copy of which has just been received by Mrs. E. J. Hinds, of Piedler, Pa., from her brother, who is now in Havana. The price is 5 cents per copy, or \$1.00 per month. About one-third is Spanish. It tells of some of the mistakes the police and guards make in not being able to understand the Spanish, also an account of the prisoners who are still in jail waiting to be released. Compositors seem to be in great demand, but they fail to get up as good a newspaper as we get here.

Shipping Stone.

S. S. Mills, who leased the Bruss stone quarries on Nittany mountain, is taking out a lot of the fine building blue stone these days. He is shipping a car load a day to different points east to be used in constructing buildings. During the year he expects to ship nearly four hundred car loads. The stone is more durable and of finer grain than any in the state.

Mormons Around.

Clearfield county has an infiction just now in the shape of a couple of Mormon missionaries. They claim to have been at work in the county for six months. This should be encouraging news to the old maids, as they create a demand by numerous wives. As Bellefonte has no old maids, you know, they likely will not come this way.

Kills Refred.

The old lime kiln at Mattern, near Scotia, that has been dormant for years, has been remodeled by F. H. Clemson, superintendent of the Carnegie operations at Scotia, and is now again in operation, Miss Nora Gray applying the torch that started the fires anew. The kiln is now named "Nora," in honor of the lady handling the torch.

Heavy Traffic.

In 1898 the freight movement over the Middle division was over 100,000 cars heavier than during the previous year. During the spring the movement fell off somewhat, but it wound up very strong. The heaviest 24-hour record was on December 30, when 103 trains of 6,371 cars passed over the division.

After a Silk Mill.

The Board of Trade, of Phillipsburg, is in correspondence with parties relative to the location of a silk mill in that place. A proposition has been submitted, and will be given every consideration.

Bears Plenty.

The Karthaus Times is authority for the story that Daniel Moore, Jr., and two sons, of Karthaus, killed four bears near that place one day last week.

A cup of Red Ribbon coffee for breakfast invigorates both body and mind.

CARNEGIE ON EXPANSION

The Great Iron Master Opposes McKinley's Pet Policy.

UNFIT FOR THE WHITE RACE

Yellow Fever and Malarial Infection would be Disastrous to Americans—Could not Endure the Climate—An Undesirable Acquisition.

Andrew Carnegie, the great iron master, of Phillipsburg, has the following to say about the unhealthy climate of the Philippines, in a letter to the New York World:

The ablest administrator yet cast up by the recent war is Gen. Wood, of Santiago fame.

He told the Congressional committee the other day that "fifty thousand troops are required for Cuba, this number being necessary because of the climate, for only 35 to 40 per cent. will be found effective as a rule. A day's active service would cause half of any military force to drop out. This is the reason Spain needed 228,000 troops in Cuba."

The approaching yellow-fever season will swell the long death-roll. So much for Cuba.

Prof. Worcester, a member of the Philippine Commission, says in his book upon the archipelago, where he resided for years: "It is unfortunately true that the climate of the Philippines is especially severe in its effects on white women and children. It is very doubtful in my judgment if successive generations of European or American children could be reared there."

"If a man is permanently situated in a good locality where he can get suitable food and good drinking water, if he is scrupulously careful as to his diet, if he avoids excesses of all kinds, if he keeps out of the sun in the middle of the day, if he refrains from severe and prolonged physical exertion, he is likely to remain well, always supposing that he is fortunate enough to escape malarial infection," which he says "is especially prevalent where forest land is being cleared or new ground broken. It is often very bad near paddy fields during the dry season."

What chance have our troops to fulfil all these necessary ifs to render it likely they will escape, provided only they escape malaria? Very little indeed.

So much for this coveted possession for which President McKinley invites us to pay twenty million of dollars and perhaps spend a thousand millions shooting down the natives in order to impose upon them our foreign yoke against their desire.

It is to such conditions the President recklessly proposes to expose our soldiers during the coming summer.

An epidemic among the troops is probable in one or both of these foreign lands, and what will the American people have to say to the President then? God help the President! Who is there in all this land who would share his responsibility? And for what, Mr. Editor, for what? Only that we may meddle and muddle in other people's affairs, our interference only tolerated in the one case and forcibly resisted in the other.

ANDREW CARNEGIE.

New York, Jan. 22.

Wednesday's Vote.

Wednesdays vote for U. S. Senator is practically the same. Quay can't gain anything. It stood as follows: Quay 104, Jenks 79, Dalzell 16, Stone 7, Stewart 8, Huff 5, Irvin 2, Rice 2, Grow 1, Markle 2, Smith 1, Widener 3, Rider 2, paired 18. As 118 votes were necessary to a choice Quay still lacked fourteen votes of sufficient to nominate him.

—Dr. John Seibring, Jr., of Bellefonte, and Miss Frederika Lower Waltjen, will be married at the home of the bride's parents, Pottsville, Pa., on February 14th, 1899.

—General John B. Gordon will lecture in Lock Haven Feb. 21.

—Chas. P. Hewes, Esq., of Erie, is in town this week.

—Miss Sara Bayard, one of the young lady clerks at the Racket store, who has been confined to the house for the past several days with the grip, is able to be at her post of duty again.

Married at Lock Haven.

On Thursday of last week George U., son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hoy, of Hubersburg, was married to Miss Minnie E. Swope, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Swope, in Lock Haven. About 100 guests were present. Rev. T. Derr officiated. A reception was given the newly wedded couple at Hubersburg Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Hoy will reside in that place until spring when they will remove to Mt. Bethel.

FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright, Sparkling Paragraphs—Selected and Original.

Man wants little here below, And yet he has regrets, For it's little man wants here, you know, And still less that he gets.

AND SHE FORGAVE HIM.

"You sent me gloves too tight for ease," She pouted. He was "foxy." And answered, "Yes I wished to squeeze Your dainty hand by proxy."

AN ILL WIND.

Old Grip has in among us crept, We're achers now, and shakers, And no one welcomes him except The busy undertakers.

BORN OF ENVY.

Some mean "old maid," without a doubt, Who never tasted bliss, Was first to start that lie about The microbes in a kiss.

A PECULIAR HABIT.

Our night-shirts last much longer than Our other shirts, no doubt, Because the customary plan Is ne'er to wear them out.

The pay days of those who work for love are uncertain.

Coughers are still assisting in filling up the doctor's coffers.

A bug exterminator that doesn't exterminate is a hum-bug.

Perhaps it is the wagon tongue that makes the wheels tired.

When a man inherits a private fortune he's quick to make it public.

Man charges his failures to luck, but credits his success to himself.

Many a sealskin cloak is a sign that the wearer has seen better days.

"And you say you ate horsesteak in Paris? How was it served?" "A la cart," of course.

Beware of exclusive people who cut your acquaintance as if they were performing a surgical operation.

A lady writer says this is an age of stuck-up men. According to that we must be living in the mud-age.

An Ohio man married an heiress and tried to prove that he didn't care for her money by spending every cent of it.

"What's your hurry, Robinson?" "I've got my wife's new bonnet, and I want to get it home before the style changes."

She—I will never marry a man whose fortune has not at least five ciphers in it. He (triumphantly)—Oh, darling! Mine is all ciphers!

General Eagan's charge that General Miles lies in