RELIGIOUS CENSUS OF BELLEFONTE

Result of the Canvass Made on Last Tuesday

SOME

Variety of Creeds and Denomiations Represented-Our Population Over 5000 with Room for Religious Growth-Pastors will Look After the stray Sheep.

to ascertain their religious inclinations, purposes in the state. and other data in that line that would be useful to those engaged in religious work. All the various denominations joined in Branch, and form a wilderness, which is table will fully set forth the result as the papers a few weeks ago. announced by those who compiled the

a most excellent one. Fourteen districts tion with them. have been heard from and the following table shows the results obtained:

	Attending S. School.	Communicant	Enrolled Membership.	Fifteen Years And Under.	total Number
M. E., Bellefonte	4.95	400	465	410	1254
Presbyterian	250	236	400	186	710
Catholic	1255	446	650	234	671
United Brethren	171	130	140	213	538
Lutheran	162	171	188	152	403
Episcopal	129	166	160	118	400
Reformed	1:20	162	205	110	324
M. E., Forge Church	132	61		139	254
Evangelical	108	66	72	5/6	276
A. M. E	62	52		41	148
No preference	5			31	108
Jews				10	47
Baptists	18	13		16	40
Friends	A	21			25
Advents	1	2		7	19
Christian (Disciple)	5	6		4	1.5
Moravians		3		2	
Christian Science	2	2		*****	1 1
Universalists				******	1
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LENTEN RULES FOR 1900.

Regulations.

clergy a circular letter, outlining the cuted to the full extent of the law. regulations to be observed by the Roman Catholic laity during the Lenten season. Some of the rules prescribed by the arch bishop are as follows:

days of precept, on one meal, with the two weeks after the Republican Conven- and gentle ministrations, at a time when while a constant supply of water is fur- This has exhausted our resources for we allowance of a moderate collation in the tion at Philadelphia. Probably the sil-

of sickness, the infirm, those who are at- with it. laining their growth, those whose duties

every meal on the Sundays of Lent and can leader much anxiety, and he is at the principal meal on Monday, Tues-Holy Saturday excepted.

"The use of eggs and white meats is are contingent on its passage. allowed every day at the principal meal and also at the collation.

"On Sundays there is neither fast nor used at the same meal.

workmen in whose favor it is granted, shall vote upon it Thursday. but all the members of their families as

Miners Want New Wage Scale.

other labor for a year from April 1st. istic. Upwards of 50,000 mmers will be represented at Altoona.

Vote for Repealing the Law.

The election returns indicate that Potter county gave about 800 majority in favor of repealing the unpopular license law. Galeton borough polled 501 votes with a majority of 357 in favor of repeal. while at Austin, out of 380 votes, only 34 were against the repeal. Coudersport gave a small majority against repeal, so that the special law for that borough

Lobe of His Ear Nearly Torn Off.

Samuel Motz, aged 75 years, of Haines township, Centre county, fell down of his ear was nearly torn off and he sustained other serious braises.

FOR FORESTRY RESERVATION.

The State Forestry Commission, which has been empowered to purchase 40,000 acres each at the headwaters of the Susquehanna, Aliegheny and Delaware rivers, recently made arrangments to buy 50,000 acres in Clinton and Centre counties. The lands begin at a point extend thirty-five miles eastwardly along and in close proximity to the river.

The valuable features of these purchases are that they were bought for a yery low figure and that they are entirely covered with a healthy growth of young In all the leading cities and towns in timber. All points considered, these this section there was a concerted move- lands are of the best that could have ment to make a canvass of the population | been secured for forestry reservation

The final summing up of the religious | which are owned by the city of Philadelcensus has been made and the showing is | phia, and will likely be held in conjunc-

> that during the past few years, numer- community. ous fires have been purposely started by men owning cattle, which they have

WASHINGCON LETTER.

"All the week days of Lent are fast will meet at Kansas City on July 4, about tion of fasting, but not the abstinence least possible that the date of the Popu- their door. from flesh meat, except in special cases list convention may be changed to agree

The ship subsidy bill may not be dead are of an exhausting or laborious charac. after all. Senator Hanna is fighting "The use of flesh meat is allowed at of funds is actually causing the Republimost anxious to get the subsidy steal

As predicted, the gold standard bill, is a little bit worse than was either the would be received with much rejoicing. abstinence, but fish and flesh may not be House or the Senate bill. It contains every objectionable feature that was in "Working people are dispensed from both, and has made most of them more the obligation of abstinence on all days objectionable. As the republicans have of the year except Fridays, Ash Wednes- the votes, the Conference bill will probday, Holy Week and Christmas Eve, ably be rushed through this week. It This includes not only the individual has already been agreed that the senate

Mr. McKinley has tendered places on the new Phillippine Commission, to two gold democrats-Gen. Luke E. Wright, of Tenn,, and Mr. Henry C. Ike, of The miners of Central Pennsylvania Vermont. Inasmuch as both of these will hold a convention on March 13th, in gentlemen are supposed to endorse the Altoona. On the following day the financial as well as the foreign policy of miners of Maryland and Pennsylvania the republican administration, it is farciwill hold a joint convention, and on cal for Mr. McKinley to expect the March 15th it is their desire to have a democratic party to recognize them as joint conference with the operators of its representatives on the Commission. Maryland and Central Pennsylvania. At It is equally farcical to label the new these meetings the miners will formulate commission non-partisan, when everya scale of wages for pick mining and body knows it to be thoroughly imperial-

Senator Vest thus sized up the repubtican policy, in a short speech: "The and dangerous that has ever been advanced in the course of my public life.

PORTO RICAN TARIFF BILL.

The Puerto Rican 15 per cent. tariff 161, a clear Republican majority being given it, only two out-and-out Democrats voting againt their party.

The bill was variously amended before its passage, the most important change it, and an alteration of the title so as to

make it wholly a temporary measure.

It was one of the few remarkable days stairs a few days ago. One of the lobes of the session of the House, not the least notable feature being that six members left sick beds that they might vote on the

VALUABLE

SUGGESTION

How to Build the Petriken-W. C. T. U. Hall

How to put the Temperance People in Easy Touch With Actual Work-Singing don't Reach the Spot-Let an Appropriation man's recovery. be made-Help these Good Women.

Last week a timely article appeared in the Gazette condemning the too common practice of the two leading parties These lands are located at the head- in this section, of besotting men on election waters of many tributaries to the West day, by the free use of whiskey, to secure votes. This course is so common the effort and the canvass was made on now and has always been the home of that the practice is looked upon as a per-Tuesday by persons competent to gather the various kinds of wild animals left missable custom by men who even pose the same, to each of whom a section of a within the limits of the state, and are a as pillars of the church, so long as the town was allotted. The canvass was part of the same lands, the purchase of end desired can be achieved. Another carefully made in Bellefonte and the which by a commission was noticed in good point was made: the town council pays no attention to the complaints of On the west of the purchased tracts in the policemen, that there is no fit place, Clearfield county are about 11,000 acres, lockup, in which to put men who reel The commission has been informed Drunks have too much liberty in this his surmise to be correct. The sharp

been pasturing on wild lands owned by following suggestions to better this conothers, for which they pay neither rent dition of affairs, and asked that the same and cut through flesh, muscle and bone nor taxes. By setting fire to the leaves be given prominence in our columns : in the early spring they have not only Let the boro council appropriate about burned the underbrush, but the timber \$1000 to the W. C. T. U., of this place, on many thousand acres of land that was | for the erection of the proposed Temperreproducing itself with great rapidity ance Hall on the Petriken lot, on High and which would always have continued street, now owned by the W.C.T.U. This an unbroken forest if left to nature. would probably enable the good ladies This wanton destruction has been more of this town to erect the much-desired noticeable in that territory between the building, the only condition attached to Tangascootac and Baker's run, and the gift to be that the boro have privilwhich is east of the above described res- ege of fitting up the basement of the building for a lockup where police could The laws of the state are sufficient to store all the intoxicated individuals and arrest all those responsible for these give them comfortable quarters until fires, and we are reliably informed that they "brace up." The advantage in this the commission will in the future take scheme is that these good ladies, who are the matter up and keep due watch. All so anxious to stamp out intemperance, College, in conjunction with the state de. land, Pa., to the Cornish chapel organ. Archbishop Corrigan in a Letter Outlines the offenders, guilty of starting fires either could then have the opportunity of giving partment of agriculture, is now conduct. Our church is located in the Bald Eagle on the lands now owned by the state or their temperance zeal the much-desired ing an experiment to test the effect of valley, at what is commonly known as Archbishop Corrigen has sent to the on those adjacent thereto, will be prose- opportunity for actual good. Right in different methods of supplying water to Curtins. We have a membership of 61, their own building, most every day, they fatten cattle, and to ascertain at the same and a Sunday school numbering 85. The manage her daughter's husband. could find some poor fellow who had time the most economical way of stabling church edifice is a one room, one story fallen a victim of the great vice with them. Fifteen steers were divided into building and our membership has been which they are trying to give battle. three lots of five each, all being dehorn. called upon recently to defray the ex-The Democratic National Convention They could go down and see those who ed. One lot is turned loose in a large penses of a bell, new shingle roof, paper- until after he has made her mad. are in need of just such goodly council box stall and fed from a common manger ing, necessary carpets and chandelier. most needed. In this was they would nished them in automatic watering are not a wealthy congregation by any ver Republicans and the anti-imperialists be right in touch with the work they are troughs. A second lot is tied in stalls, means. We very much need an organ "The church excuses from the obliga. will meet on the same date and it is at hunting-it would be brought right to each animal being supplied with water and no gift would be more appreciated

The above suggestion of our friend is stalls and watered by being turned out this contest in the hope of winning the timely, and we believe the good women daily. A record is kept of all food con- prize. Take our claims into considerawill be only too eager to accept such a sumed as well as the labor required in proposition. We believe the ladies of caring for each lot, and the gain in live clear to assist us. We girls have been ter and all who are enfeebled by old age. hard for that iniquitous measure. Lack this town are in earnest; they have kept weight of each is taken every two weeks. collecting coupons but finding ourselves up a strong organization these many It is yet too early to draw any definite third in the race, have thought best to years; they meet quite frequently conclusions, except that considerably make this statement, knowing that with each week and do much singing, ect., less labor is required to care for the day and Saturday, Ember Saturday and through so that he may obtain the con- etc., and this would enable them to fol- loose steers. ributions to the campaign fund which low these exercises with "works"-for faith, without works availeth, little.

> We would urge the council to make reported from the conference committee, this appropriation, for we believe it

Sugar Valley Youth.

A young man giving his name as Reuben S. Henninner, and who is the son of a stone mason residing about two miles from Loganton, is in jail at Williamsport on the charge of attempted train wrecking. The accused boy is 17 years old and was known at his home as John

Sunday night as the trackwalker was walking on the Northern Central track near Ralston, he found a bent splice, a piece of iron fourteen inches long, fastened across a rail. The next train along was the midnight passenger, which the obstruction would have derailed. Hennniger, who had been seen in the vicinity, was arrested at Trout Run. He admits his guilt any says he "doesn't know why he did it."

A Cat's Experience,

The engineer and fireman on the large proposition that the U. S. can hold terri. compound engine in East Tyrone yard tory as a colonial possession and its peo- heard a cat mewing continually while ple as vassals, is the most preposterous they were making a trip over the Bald Eagle valley road recently. When they arrived at the yard on their return trip the men made a thorough search for pussy and at last located it on top of the forward trucks of the engine tank. Wabill passed the House Wednesday, 172 to ter from the tank had been dripping down and had frozen his catship fast. After applying torches and melting the ice kittie was at last released from his little prison and now occupies the honbeing in the two-year limit placed upon ored position of "office cat" in Yardmaster W. A. Bouse's headquarters, at East Tyrone.

> Phonopraphs should not be allowed in election booths. They are all repeaters. takes is precaution.

CHISEL REMOVED.

One of the most difficult and peculiar surgical operations ever attempted in Maryland was successfully performed at St. Joseph's Hospital, in Baltimore, when Professor Louis McLane Tiffany, assisted by Dr. Carey Gamble and other surgeons of the hospital removed from the INTERESTING DATA about eight miles west of Keating, and HELP THE CAUSE ALONG head of Charles Barker a steel chisel four FARMERS BLOCK PROJECT and one-half inches long one inch wide and one-quarter of an inch thick. The operation lasted only a little over half an hour, and there are good chauces of the

> Mr. Barker is employed by the Geiser Manufacturing Company, of Waynesboro, Pa., and was attending a woodsteel chisels that make 1,200 revolutions He was wounded over the bridge of the nose, and the wound, which was a cut an inch wide, was dressed as any ordinary wound. One of the chisels was found, but the other one was not. A few days later Mr. Baker suffered partial paralysis, and was brought to Baltimore and taken to St. Joseph's Hospital. There and stagger about our streets under the Professor Tiffany examined him and influence of too much booze. That is suspected the chisel was in his head. true; and the council is clearly at fault. The X rays were resorted to and showed terms. Only two land owners have been tool hurled with the force of a bullet, By way of suggestion, one of our citihad entered where the wound was over zens called on the writer and made the the nose and had taken a downward course. The keen edge came foremost until it rested against the vertebrae.

In the operation the sufferer was chloroformed and an incision made from the under lip up the right side of the nose to its top. The flesh was then laid illary removed with bone forceps. Through this opening the chisel was rebeing exerted. The wound was sewed once. up and the patient put to bed. He will

Experiments in Stock Raising.

as in lot one, while a third lot is tied in by the undersigned who have entered

Victory for Buller.

General Buller announces that Pleters Mills, the enemy's main position, has been captured and that sixty prisoners have been taken.

General Cronje has been sent to Cape Town. It develops that his losses we re very small under the British shell fire, and 3000 men are believed to have escaped with his big guns.

The British have reoccupied Rensburg and the Boers are reported to be retiring porthward into the Free State.

Kimberley is still very short of food and it is almost impossible to supply the thousands of hungry inhabitants.

The advantage gained, if held, seems to mean the relief of Ladysmith to or to-

Fifteen Cows Killed.

Fifteen cows were shot Friday at Hall's station. They belonged to George, 1845 at a cost of \$5,500. The Potters-Belles, a well known dairyman of that | Gillilands, McCormicks, McCoys, Kerrs, place. Just one week ago a state veterinary surgeon inspected the cattle and lies and liberal in support of the church. found that fifteen had tuberculosis, so Mr. Belles promptly killed them.

Sunday School Convention.

try both have the same sun.

The young onion is a very seductive vegetable, but it always gives one away.

A bed fellow-The gardner. The first thing the successful thief

WANT TO-DRILL FOR PETROLEUM

Bald Eagle Valley Land Owners Discourage Oil Prospectors

Will not Lease Lands on Terms that are Usual When "Wild-Catting" is Proposed -May Give up the Project-Oil Fever Being Again Reserved

Several years ago there was some stir among capitalists and property owners working machine which contains two in the vicinity of Milesburg with the view of drilling for oil in that vicinity. In the a minute. He was leaning over the eastern part of the valley there is machine when the chisels were driven another oil excitement as there are others out by the tremendous centrifugal force. who are hopeful in this direction. The following is from yesterday's Lock Haven Express:

"During the past week the men who are at the head of the project for putting down a test well for oil and gas, in Bald Eagle Valley, have met with great discouragement from the farmers and land

Efforts have been made to lease lands, as is usual when "wild-catting" Is proposed, but the promoters have been unable to obtain leases on satisfactory found who were willing to lease on the terms proposed by those who are to put the money into the enterprise. Arrangements were about completed for putting down the first test well but unless leases on a large body of land can be secured the project will be abandoned. If the land can be leased the drill will likely be commenced within the next sixty days. Farmers owning land in the val ley should encourage the project The indications that gas and perhaps oil will be found in the Bald Eagle Valley are good. The drilling of one well might be back and a portion of the superior max. the means of developing a new field that would equal in richness any yet found With proper encouragement the test will be made, but if no lands can be leased moved with forceps, without much force the matter will be allowed to drop at

M. E. CHURCH, ROLAND.

To the readers of the Centre Democrat: We wish to call your attention to The state experiment station at State the claims of the M. E. church, of Rotion and we trust you will see your way your assistance we can capture the prize. Please give us your coupons in our

> Anything you may do for the Roland M. E. church will be appreciated by KATHARYN J. PARKER, VELTA M. WILLIAMS,

An Old Land Mark to go.

ALICE S. NEFF.

In a recent issue we gave a notice of the fact that the o'd Presbyterian church at Centre Hill was to be sold.

Years ago the congregation which worshipped in that church had a large and wealthy membership, served by a number of able pastors, conspicuous among these was Rev. Dr. Hamill, of Philadelphia.

The congregation, by deaths and removals and by organizing the nearby congregation at Centre Hall, dwindled until regular services in the old home ceased, and the officers of the charge have concluded to dispose of the church and lot.

This house of worship was erected in Boals, and others, were prominent fami--Repoter.

Birthday Surprise.

On Monday evening, Feb. 19, an enjoyable surprise was held at the home of Every primary S. S. Supt. and teacher Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Heckman, near will find it specially helpful to attend the | Bellefonte. It was in honor of his birth-County Convention at Centre Hall, Tues- day, and was a big surprise to Mr. day, March 20. Mrs. J. W. Barnes, Supt. | Heckman, who knew nothing about what of primary work of the Penna. State S. S. | was to take place during that evening. Association will give addresses each ses- There were about fifty triends present who enjoyed refreshments prepared for the coming event, after which they de-The Patherland and the Mother Coun- parted for their homes glad that they were there to enjoy the festivities of the evening, and wishing Mr. Heckman many more happy birthdays.

"A FRIEND."

-Moving pictures at the opera house

FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright Sparkling Paragraphs-Selected and

Original. A weil-known firm-Gibraltar.

Good for nothing things-"oo."

A star witness-the astronomer. Members of the fold-your arms.

A tiptop workman-the wig maker. A pair of good skates-rock and rye. A long time coming down-his first

mustache. A woman's hanging out place-the

clothesline. Sickley looking-the doctor in search

Cupid introduces more house bills than all our Congressmen.

When women meet they gossip; when men meet they go-sip.

Lovers are not alike just because they

happen to correspond. The longer a mau has been married the less talking he does.

Even the best choirs are often the cause of church discord.

The tramp shuns the chop house that turns out to be a wood shed.

The man who confines his courting to widows never courts a-miss. Lovers are apt to be close mouthed

when the gas is turned low. Perhaps they call love a lottery because lovers love such a lot.

But few girls enjoy waltzing around the parlor with a new broom.

Girls are always worrying for fear a pin will drop out somewhere.

There is no husband as good as the one just buried by the widow. A mouse can make dress goods go up quicker than a high tariff can.

When a man marries a penniless girl he takes her at her face value.

The lower the gas is turned the brighter it seems for a pair of lovers. It is the man with the most sand that

that wins the girl with the rocks. Why shouldn't our churches have elevators? They are uplifting,

When a man talks to his wife through a telephone, what he says goes. Some marriages are permanent injur-

ies-the result of falling in love. The fortune hunter prefers handsome figures rather than pretty faces. It's because love is blind that so many

persons fall in love at first sight. The average woman knows how to

It doesn't take much discipline to

A girl never thinks much about a man Strictly speaking, the wireless tele-

graph will be a current attraction. When hearts are trumps, all a lover has to do is to play his cards well.

It's a wise infaut that goes to sleep as soon as its mother begins to sing.

It's pretty hard for a girl to play the piano and fight flies simultaneously. When a man says he has a vengeance you may be sure that he is married.

A woman's change of mind is an example of an effect without a cause. It's an ill wind that prevents a girl's skirt from getting stuck on her shape.

It's better to be fired by the divine spark of love than by the girl's father. To acquire a knowledge of men, one must associate with and study women. The widow who goes gunning for number two should use smokeless powder.

habit should get into the habit of walk-When a girl gathers autumn leaves she is following the example of Mother

The girl who can't afford a riding

It is always difficult for a man to feel sorry for a woman who has lost her pug

Cupid is a wise little fellow. He is always making matches, but never mar-It is easier to teach a child to stand

alone than it is to get a man to stand a-A man who does everything like clockwork will sooner or later run himself

There is no rose without thorns, and no society rosebud without pips in her

Sometimes a girl helps her bashfu lover out, and sometimes her father does it.

A wife never hates to ask her husband or money any worse than he hates to

It's a good thing for humanity that a baby can't say what it thinks, when cut-

A pretty bonnet may not turn a woman's brain, but it always goes to

Women are judged by their accomplishments, and men by what they ac-

complish. Thirteen is an unlucky age for a girl She is too old for dolls and too young for beaux.

Wives should remember that as a persuader a kiss double discounts a broom-handle.

Girls think it better to be kissed and caught, than never to be kissed at all