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FIRST WEEK APRIL COURT

All Business Was Concluded in Two Days.

FEW CASES WERE TRIED

The Criminal Docket Was Unimportant and Short Civil Cases, Either Settled or Continued and Only a Few Called for Trial—Report of Grand Jury.

Reported by S. D. Gettig, Esq.
April sessions of court convened on Monday morning with His Honor John G. Love on the bench.

The morning session was largely taken up in receiving returns by the sheriff in partition proceedings in several decedent's estates, and in hearing motions and petitions as presented by the several members of the bar.

The grand jury was then called and sworn and W. Galer Morrison, of Bellefonte and ex-Recorder of the county, was chosen foreman. After being charged by the court relative to their duties, they retired to the room to pass on the several bills of indictment that will be laid before them by the district attorney.

At this junction the constables of the several townships and boroughs of the county made their quarterly returns.

Thomas Barr and Thomas Hayes received their final discharges from jail under the insolvent law of the Commonwealth.

List of traverse jurors called, absentees noted and several were excused by the court.

The civil trial list for the first and second week was then called over and the following cases disposed of:

Philip A. Leister vs. E. M. Huyett, an appeal, plea non assumpsit. Settled.

Frick & Lindsay Co. vs. Kate A. Miller, trading as the Gowland Manufacturing Company, etc.; Geo. B. Simler, Jr., vs. same; The Ohio Injector Co. vs. same; Pittsburg Gage and Supply Co. vs. same; Cleveland Cliffs Iron Co., L. and R. Wister, agents, vs. same; five appeals from the decision of a justice of the peace, pleas non assumpsit and payment. Stricken from the list.

Dr. John Sebring vs. Overseers of the poor of Bellefonte borough, appeal, plea non assumpsit. Settled.

Runkle Bros. vs. Central R. R. Co. of Pa., appeal, plea non assumpsit. Continued.

L. C. Bullock vs. Homer Carr, appeal, plea non assumpsit. Settled.

On the second week's list the following cases were disposed of:

John P. Harris, William E. Gray and Samuel T. Gray vs. Jacob Thielman, Samuel Marsh and George Chapman, summoned in replevin, plea non cepit and property. Continued.

John P. Harris, William E. Gray and Samuel T. Gray vs. Jacob M. Thielman, Samuel Marsh, George M. Chapman, Morrell Marshall and Labe Kellinger, summoned in ejectment, plea not guilty. Continued.

John G. Love and Louisa H. Hoy, executors of &c. of Adam Hoy, deceased, vs. the German American Insurance Co. of New York, summons in assumpsit, plea non assumpsit, continued, the case being special to Judge Love.

Samuel Wilkinson, James Stoddard and Joseph C. Foreman, Sr., in behalf of Rush township vs. Richard O'Neill, overseer of the poor, and P. R. Gorman, supervisor, feigned issue, plea non assumpsit. Continued.

S. S. Messinger & Son vs. John Wert and James Wert, summoned in assumpsit, plea non assumpsit. Settled.

Henry Wohlfort vs. Nathan Hough and Emeline Hough, summoned in trespass, plea not guilty. Continued at the cost of the defendants.

Monday afternoon the criminal list was taken up as follows:

Com. vs. William Lyon, indicted: first count, public nuisance on public road; second count, public nuisance on private road; prosecutor G. A. Confer. This prosecution grows out of the digging of a trench in a certain road leading from the main Bald Eagle road, north of Bald Eagle creek, to the summit in Howard township, by the defendant, the road leading through the properties of the defendants, Mrs. Swartz and Mrs. Emma Confer. Verdict not guilty and divided the costs equally between the prosecutor and the defendant.

Com. vs. William Stump indicted for betrayal, prosecutrix Dora E. Wingard. This case is from Potter township. Verdict on Monday afternoon of guilty, and the defendant sentenced as usual in such cases, on Tuesday afternoon.

Reuben Hoover was discharged from custody under the insolvent laws.

Com. vs. Howard Schenck, indicted for betrayal, prosecutrix Laura B. Haines. This case is from Howard township. The defendant plead guilty and, the child being dead, was sentenced to pay the costs of prosecution, and twenty-five dollars lying in expenses.

Com. vs. Andrew Kerns, indicted: first count, adultery; second count, bastardy; prosecutrix Lizzie Shirk. This case is from Phillipsburg and the defendant is a married man, and brother-in-law of the prosecutrix. Verdict on Tuesday of guilty in manner and form as indicted. Sentenced on the first count to pay the costs of prosecution and undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a period of six months, and on the second count the usual sentence in like cases was imposed by the court.

Com. vs. Edward Fetzer, indicted for escaping a board bill, prosecutrix Harriet Rawley. The defendant had been boarding with the prosecutrix in Snow Shoe township and for some cause or other left her place with a board bill against him for \$16.25. Defendant plead guilty and sentence was suspended.

Com. vs. John H. Taylor, indicted for betrayal, prosecutrix Mary E. Treaster. This case is from Potter township and the defendant for a number of years lived with the prosecutrix as man and wife, when a few years ago, tiring of her, left her and a prosecution for desertion was tried in this court, when it developed that they had never been married. Verdict of guilty in manner and form as indicted. Sentenced to pay costs of prosecution and, the child being dead, to pay a fine of twenty-five dollars and seventy-five dollars lying-in expenses.

This exhausted the criminal list for trial by jury and the civil list was taken up as follows:

The National Computing Scale Co. vs. F. B. Stover, appeal, plea non assumpsit. Settled.

All jurors not empaneled in the following case were discharged on Tuesday afternoon.

Mike Katch, Mike Holley, Herman Artka, Joseph Backals, F. X. Yohner, Mike Simmons, Baltzer Kline, Mike Shevack, Henry Anna, Adam Bototskey, Jacob Mateskey, Autop Zadizins, Vincent Roska, Katie Campbell, Andrew Groff, William Bennett, Joseph Artka, Charles Cosin, John Dunsmore, P. Toney, Lewis Artrickey, Henry and Pius Venger, Mike Schodenskey, Andrew Trebas, John Sheehan, Andrew Mallady and Mat Shevack, all to the use of the Blubaker Coal Co. vs. the Benton Coal Co. and G. Murray Andrews, a stockholder. There are twenty-seven separate appeals from the decision of John M. Keichline, justice of the peace, and consolidated for the purpose of one trial. Sometime in July, 1899, twenty-seven of the miners of the defendant company obtained judgment before Henry Anna, a justice of the peace at Hastings, Pa., against the defendant company for labor claims and execution was issued and the personal property of the defendant company sold at constable's sale and bought by the Blubaker Coal Co., and the Blubaker Coal Co. paid these claims in full and took assignments of the judgments, and sometime in the early part of the present year suits were brought against the defendant company and Mr. Andrews, a stockholder, to collect the difference between the purchase price of the personal property and the amount paid the several labor claimants, based on the judgments obtained before Justice Anna. Verdict on Wednesday noon in favor of the plaintiff for \$1370.08, subject to the questions of law reserved by the court.

The grand jury was discharged on Wednesday forenoon.

Court adjourned on Wednesday noon, until two o'clock Thursday, when the sheriff's deeds will be acknowledged.

Other criminal cases docketed to April sessions and not heretofore referred to were disposed of as follows:

Frank Richardson, charge betrayal, prosecutrix Sarah J. Boob. Settled.

Isaiah W. Vonada, charge betrayal, prosecutrix Christie A. Smith. Settled.

Fred Smith, charge betrayal, prosecutrix Lydia Barndt. Settled.

Robert Smith, charge betrayal, prosecutrix Jennie Wert. Settled.

William Lawashe, charge assault and battery, prosecutor F. P. Barker. True bill.

Eimer Jackson, charge betrayal, prosecutrix Sadie Treaster, bill ignored and the prosecutrix to pay the costs.

W. W. Price, charge betrayal, prosecutrix Lulu Cowher. Settled.

William Colyer, charge indecent assault, prosecutrix Margaret Bediyon. True bill.

William Brandt, charge larceny, prosecutor M. A. Nyman. Bill ignored and the prosecutor to pay the costs.

Edwain Walker and Sallie Walker, charge adultery and fornication, prosecutor William Walker. Bill ignored and the county to pay the costs.

GRAND JURY REPORT.

Wednesday morning the report of the Grand Jury was filed by the foreman, W. Galer Morrison, to wit:

"Have acted upon 13 bills of indictment of which 9 were found true bills, 2 not true bills and 2 ignored; we also

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MURDERED AT LEWISBURG

A Former Resident of Woodward Stabbed

HIS JUGULAR VEIN SEVERED

Newton Motz's Untimely Death Last Saturday Evening—Fatal Quarrel Over a Mulatto—The Assailant in Jail—Result of Bad Whiskey and Women.

Newton Motz, aged 35 years, a single man, was stabbed to death at Lewisburg, last Saturday night by James Lenhart, a married man, aged about 35 years.

The two men, who are both white, were excellent friends and were always together. Last Saturday night they were drinking together, when they quarreled about a mulatto woman named Simms, with whom both had been friendly. The dispute ended by Motz leaving Lenhart. Later at night they met on one of the principal streets. Motz was in the company of Aaron Weidensaul, and when they met Lenhart the latter moved towards Motz.

Weidensaul saw Lenhart draw a knife and shouted to Motz, but it was then too late. Lenhart buried the knife in Motz's neck, severing the jugular vein and windpipe. Motz died in three minutes. Lenhart was immediately arrested. He begged the police to shoot him on the spot. He said that he knew he would rather die now than later.

Sunday Lenhart denied that he committed the deed. He said that he knew his friend had been stabbed, but that he did not do it. The knife could not be found, and Lenhart had no blood upon him. The coroner's jury found Lenhart responsible for Motz's death.

Newton Motz, the murdered man, is a step son of Absolom Motz, a native of Woodward, Centre county, and a grandson of Jacob Motz who was a pioneer settler of Haines township. Newton Motz would have been 35 years old on August 22, next. His father, met an accidental death some years ago, in Virginia, and was buried at Woodward. With his brother Emanuel he spent several years of adventurous life among the Indians and in prospecting for gold in the Rocky mountain territory over forty years ago. His mother, nee Emma Harper, is still living. Mrs. Noah Weaver, of Woodward, is an aunt of Newton, and the Hess and Kramer families of Hanes, and the Hess and Bottorf families of Ferguson, are all relatives of Absolom Motz.

SPRUCE CREEK MURDER.

Quarrel in a Speak-Easy Adds Another Murder to the List.

The fifth cold blooded murder that has occurred at Spruce Creek, where the new work on the Pennsylvania railroad is being done, was committed Tuesday afternoon, and, as before, the murderer escaped. During a dispute between Thomas Taylor and Samuel Gilchrist, both colored, at one of the numerous speak-easies, the former drew a thirty-eight calibre revolver and shot Gilchrist in the abdomen. The latter after he had fallen, fired three shots at the fleeing Taylor, one of which, it is believed, took effect, as Taylor was seen to sink to the earth in his flight up the mountain. Gilchrist died in half an hour. Police went at once in pursuit of Taylor, but no trace of him has been found.

Masked Men Robbed Chinaman.

Tuesday morning three armed men with faces masked forced an entrance to the place of Hing Kee, a Chinese laundryman, of Lewisburg, and at the point of revolvers compelled him to give up all his money, \$30. The burglars then bound and gagged the Chinaman with pieces of bedclothing and left him. Kee finally succeeded in gnawing his gag in two and gave the alarm, but no trace of the burglars could be secured.

Struck by Lightning.

Sunday afternoon, during the heavy thunder storm three cows grazing in a field near Phillipsburg were struck by lightning and instantly killed. It is said they had their heads through the wire fence nibbling at the grass on the outside, and the lightning striking the fence ran along the wire and reached them with fatal results.

Died of Diphtheria.

Irvin Day, of Tylersville, who has been working with his father at Lewisburg, became suddenly ill with diphtheria and died Saturday evening. The remains were brought to Tylersville and interred. He was 16 years old. The family, outside of the father, knew nothing of his illness.

British in Wepener.

Wepener is reported as being occupied by the British after heavy fighting.

FARMERS' TRUST.

Proposes That it Sell No Wheat Under \$1.00 a Bushel.

"All the farmers in the world in a sort of international trust is to restrict the production of wheat and to raise prices," says the Minneapolis Journal, is the plan which it is hoped to carry into effect at the international agricultural conference, at Paris, July 9-16.

It is proposed to ask the farmers of the world to reduce their output by 20 per cent., and not to sell for less than \$1 a bushel.

J. C. Hanley, of St. Paul, executive agent of the Chief Farmers' associations and the Farmers' alliance, and Professor G. Ruhland, of the university of Fribourg, Switzerland, are, respectively, the leaders of the movement in America and Europe.

The Demand for Horses.

Persons are wondering what causes the demand and high prices for horses. The Spanish and the Boer wars explain it. The British have shipped thousands of horses from the United States and are wanting thousands more.

Not less than 10,000 and perhaps as many as 35,000 horses for military service in South Africa are to be purchased in the Chicago stock market by the British government.

An English officer who has been in Chicago for three weeks making arrangements for the extraordinary purchase has left for New York to meet the government inspectors, who recently arrived from England. The best in the horse market will be selected from the producing centers of Illinois, Kentucky, Indiana, Missouri and Iowa.

More Victims.

Centre county has within its limits a large number of victims who were caught in the Baltimore Building and Loan Association which recently had a receiver appointed to liquidate the affairs of the association. Many had invested their savings in this company which had a branch in the county and the dividends to be secured after the receiver gets through promises to be small indeed. The association has a large number of borrowers in this section who built homes and gave the company a mortgage on the property. There is consternation among these for it is a legal point whether the regular payments can be credited on the mortgage, and if the mortgage must not be paid in full to satisfy the judgment.

Coal Goes Up.

The price of bituminous coal has been further advanced about 15 cents per ton on account of the strikes restricting the production. The price of bituminous coal, but sales have been made as high as \$2.50. While the trade filled up well in anticipation of the advance all April stocks were allowed to run low in Massachusetts as assessments for taxation are based upon the stocks on hand May 1. The demand from abroad for coal is something unusual. England, France, Italy and other countries are buying American coal. Of course, McKinley is responsible for this.

Horse Shoe Curve to Stay.

The report sent broadcast that it was the intention of the Pennsylvania Railroad company to shorten the line from Altoona to Gallitzin by eliminating the famous Horse Shoe curve, along with other features of the difference between the longest and shortest distance between the two towns, has been scouted by local railway officials. One man went so far as to say that the report was "nonsense," and that any shorter route between Altoona and Gallitzin would be nothing less than a "toboggan slide."

Republican Conference.

The meeting of the conferees of the 28th Congressional District, held Friday at DuBois unanimously selected Hon. M. L. McQuown, of Clearfield and A. C. Randall, of Foresty County, as delegates to the Republican National Convention and John M. Dale, Esq., of Bellefonte and W. H. Baker, of Ridgway, as alternates. But three of the five counties of the district were represented in the conference, Harry R. Wilson was the choice of the conferees for Presidential elector.

Base Ball League.

At a meeting held at the Garman House last Thursday evening it was decided to organize a Mountain league of base ball clubs. Altoona, Clearfield, Phillipsburg and Tyrone constitute the membership thus far and it is confidently expected that Huntingdon and Bellefonte will also come in. The officers of the league elected were: President, A. S. Garman, of Tyrone; secretary and treasurer, Frank Vaughn, of Altoona.

If you woo the company of the angels in your waking hours, they will be sure to come to you in your sleep.—George D. Prentice.

BOSS QUAY

UNHORSED

Deprived of his Seat in the U. S. Senate.

VOTE STOOD 33 TO 32.

Mark Hanna put his knife into "The Old Man"—Others Refrained from Voting—The Honor of the Senate Maintained—How the Vote Stood.

The suspense is over and Boss Quay has been fired out of the U. S. Senate. The vote was reached on Tuesday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, and attracted attention from all parts of the country. The constitutional points involved and the long line of precedents bearing on the case had been carefully debated by both sides. Up to the last, the Quay people were overly confident of victory and forced the question to a close which terminated so disastrously to the political career of their noted leader. The call of the roll was a moment of agonizing suspense, and the final announcement was made while a death-like stillness pervaded the august chamber and overcrowded galleries.

The vote was 33 against Quay and 32 for, cast as follows:

AGAINST QUAY.

REPUBLICANS:—Bard, Barrows, Hale, Hawley, M'Bride, M'Cumber, M'Millan, Pratt, (Conn.), Proctor, Quarles, Ross, Simon, Wellington. DEMOCRATS:—Bacon, Bate, Berry Clay, Cockrell, Culberson, Harris, Heitfeld, Jones, (Ark.), Lindsay, M'Enery, Martin, Money, Tillman, Turley, Turner, Vest. POPULISTS:—Allen, Butler, SILVERITES:—Teller.—33 FOR QUAY.

REPUBLICAN:—Allison, Baker, Carter, Chandler, Clark, (Wyo.), Cullom, Davis, Deboe, Foraker, Frye, Gear, Hansbrough, M'Comas, Mason, Nelson, Penrose, Perkins' Platt, (N. Y.), Scott, Sewell, Shoup, Spooner, Warren, Wetmore, Wolcott. DEMOCRATS:—Daniels, M'Laurin, Morgan, Sullivan, Tallaferro. SILVERITES:—Jones, (Nev.), Stewart, (Nev.)—32.

Most interesting of all was the fact that Senator Vest voted his convictions on the Constitutional question in accordance with his past record and speeches, knowing that his vote would be fatal to his friend, while he held in his hand an autograph note, just received from Mr. Quay, begging him, for the sake of their long and intimate friendship, to save him from defeat.

Senator Pettigrew, of South Dakota, another old chum of Quay, withheld his vote, although he said he was ready to vote against Quay if his vote was necessary to defeat him.

Aldrich, Beveridge and Clark, of Montana, were absent without pairs, the two former out of the city, while Clark was in the cloak room.

SENATOR HANNA'S STAND.

Senator Hanna, chairman of the Republican National Committee, came squarely out against Ex-Senator Quay, formerly chairman of the Republican National Committee, by telegraphing from Columbus, where he had gone without pairing, that he would pair with Senator Dewey, who was a Quay man. Senator Hanna had been working quietly against Quay all winter, although he did not want to have to come out publicly against him for the sake of party harmony.

Quay has given out the following: "I will remain in the fight to the end, and I am confident I will be re-elected to the Senate when the Legislature meets January."

REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.

There was no great interest attached to the meeting of the Republican State Convention, at Harrisburg, on Wednesday, as no very important offices are to be filled this year. The convention was expected to be a great jubilee, as it was predicted that the U. S. Senate would grant Quay his seat on Tuesday and elaborate preparations were made for a demonstration—even purchased a car load of fire works. But the best laid schemes of politicians and bosses often go amiss and it was a dejected, dismayed assemblage mourning for the downfall of the Quay dynasty.

The Anti-Quay delegates from this county, Long and Mellick, were deprived of their seats, by W. E. Gray and Phil. Womelsdorf contesting the same, and naturally won, as Quay people run the convention. That was no surprise, was expected.

THE STATE TICKET.

The ticket nominated is made up as follows: For Auditor General—Edmund B. Hardenbergh, of Wayne County.

For Congressman-at-Large—Galusha A. Grow, of Susquehanna County, and Robert H. Foerderer, of Philadelphia.

The real expression of the mind of the convention yesterday is to be found in the indorsement of Quay and Stone. Quay is pushed forward as a continuing candidate for the vacant senatorship.

FACT, FUN AND FANCY

Bright Sparkling Paragraphs—Selected and Original.

Faces difficultly—the dull razor.

The secret of woman's dress is the pocket.

A vagrant song—"Tramp, Tramp, Tramp."

Not everything is a flower that we caulkflower.

The horse with a docked tail is a kind of a neigh-bob.

Music seldom comes out of the little end of the horn.

To make a long story short—The editor's blue pencil.

Like a man, the river has to stop going when it's run down.

An up-to-date woman is frequently a way behind her age.

A matter for reflection—holding the mirror up to Nature.

The farmer's wife isn't planting when she sews carpet rags.

Some women are passing fair—and some others are past.

When the telephone is out of order, there's no use talking.

The secret a woman is compelled to keep, is untold agony.

A woman's sphere nowadays seems to be the big, round earth.

The liveryman pays no liquor license for dealing in "ponies."

Life is short, but nearly all men outlive their good resolutions.

When a woman doesn't worry, she worries because she doesn't.

A woman's idea of a perfect man is one who thinks she is perfect.

The size of a woman's shoe has a great deal to do with dress reform.

The woman who prefers a pug dog to a baby is cut out for an old maid.

Hatters and shoemakers are a part of the destiny which shapes our end.

Of course it takes lots of panes to succeed in the window-glass business.

It's a good thing that some men can't do what they are capable of doing.

When a dog shows his teeth and snarls you may be sure he's one of the cross breeds.

The man who holds a pretty girl's hand without squeezing it, is like her other muff.

A man who thinks a woman can be happy with a 98 cent hat, had better remain a bachelor.

The man doesn't live who has not at one time thought he had all the elements of greatness in him.

A man never attempts to convince another that he is perfectly sober unless he is partially drunk.

LITTLE CLASSICS.

Fools admire, but men of sense approve.—Pope.

Where children are, there is the golden age.—Novalis.

Chastity is the perfection and ornament of religion.—Addison.

Amusement, to an observing mind, is study.—Beaconsfield.

God offers to every mind its choice between truth and repose.—Emerson.

What most increases anger is the feeling that one is in the wrong.—Richter.

The real character of a man is found out by his amusements.—Sir Joshua Reynolds.

Childhood has no forebodings; but then it is soothed by no memories of out-lived sorrow.—George Eliot.

Ambition has but one reward for all; a little power, a little transient fame, a grave to rest in, and a fading name!—William Winter.

There would be no objection to a man parting his hair in the middle if he would only refrain from parting his mouth that way.

Never Satisfied.

None are satisfied. One man is struggling to get justice, some other is flying from it. One man is trying to build a home, another is trying to sell his building for less than it cost, to get rid of it. One man is spending all that he earns in taking his girl to the theatre, in hopes of eventually making her his wife, while his neighbor is spending all the gold he has to get a divorce. The eastern man wants to go west and the western man wants to go east. The farmer wants to go into the city and the city man wants to go into the country. The man in trade wants to get out and everybody not in trade wants to be. The old want to be young and the young want to be old.

Peaches Frosted.

George Kiestler, of Aaronsburg, who is interested in the most extensive peach culture in this county, informs us that upon examination lately made, he finds that three-fourths of the peach buds among his thousands of trees, are killed, and that in other orchards he finds the damage to the same extent. Some varieties of the fruit stood the cold better than others.