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COMPLETE RETURNS

From Every Voting Precinct in Centre Co.

THOSE ELECTED ON TUESDAY

Compiled from the Official Returns in the Prothonotary's Office—Surprises in Many Sections—Local Fights were plenty.

We are able herewith to present to our readers a concise and complete return of the election on Tuesday, showing the vote cast for all the nominees in every voting precinct of the county. This required a vast amount of labor to prepare in a short time, but we believe it will prove interesting and will be duly appreciated.

Here, in Bellefonte, the election was quiet and the two parties, on a whole, polled their vote. In the south ward the democrats had a fuss and the result was they lost most of the offices. John Trafford was defeated for Overseer of the Poor on the democratic ticket, principally because people did not approve of a third term, yet he is credited with having been one of the best officials in that department.

In compiling these returns we give the official vote of all nominees, omitting all small scattering votes.

Boroughs:

Bellefonte N. W.

Office Republican Democrat

Judge, S. B. Miller 219. L. A. Schaeffer 130
Insp. Roger T. Bapard 228. John L. Hise 138
Asst. S. A. Bell 212. Wm. A. Miller 135
Council, W. Fred Reynolds 344.
Sch. Dir. Henry C. Quinlan 304. J. C. Meyer 185
Or of Pr. S. H. Diehl 310. John Trafford 134
Treasurer, Charles F. Cook 331.
Aud. C. K. Hicklen 240. Joe Rightmour 134

Bellefonte S. W.

Judge, Thomas Donohy 162. Joe McMahon 160
Insp. Henry D. Brown 152. Wm. A. Miller 135
Asst. W. C. Cassidy 113. Thomas Howley 139
Council, G. W. Sherry 132. J. M. Cunningham 130
Sch. Dir. J. E. Lutz 130. John Trafford 134
Or of Pr. S. H. Diehl 131. John Trafford 130
Treasurer, Charles F. Cook 211.
Aud. C. K. Hicklen 100. Joe Rightmour 127

Bellefonte W. W.

Judge, Edward T. Tuten 74. J. E. Miller 54
Insp. A. V. Smith 78. Jas. K. Barnhart 69
Asst. James H. Rine 68. L. H. McQuistan 69
Council, E. J. Whitaker 70. W. C. Cassidy 72
Sch. Dir. George W. Ross 72. John Trafford 61
Or of Pr. Sam. H. Diehl 73. John Trafford 61
Treasurer, Charles F. Cook 93.
Aud. C. K. Hicklen 88. Joe Rightmour 43

Consolidated.

O. P. S. H. Diehl 44. John Trafford 363
Treasurer, Charles F. Cook 6.0.
Aud. C. K. Hicklen 59. Joe Rightmour 391

Phillipsburg

Judge, Wilbur Hanney 15. J. E. Miller 54
Insp. Wm. Smith 16. J. J. Jos. Ph. Lutz 49
Asst. Andrew Crozier 11. D. B. Booser 42
Council, Samuel Shoop 10. R. D. Foran 47
Sch. Dir. J. E. Lutz 13. J. E. Miller 54
Or of Pr. J. E. Lutz 13. J. E. Miller 54
Treasurer, Charles F. Cook 211.
Aud. C. K. Hicklen 100. Joe Rightmour 127

Howard Boro.

Judge, Thomas Fletcher 75. S. F. Kline 51
Insp. John H. Boster 70. Wm. J. Wilson 51
Asst. Jos. L. Boster 70. Wm. J. Wilson 51
Council, Joseph H. Schenck 65. Wm. Diehl 60
Sch. Dir. John A. Thompson 75. G. O. Loder 52
Or of Pr. J. E. Lutz 13. J. E. Miller 54
Treasurer, Charles F. Cook 211.
Aud. C. K. Hicklen 100. Joe Rightmour 127

Milesburg Boro.

Judge, A. G. Rager 50. Ira Proutfoot 42
Insp. Grant Kistner 50. Wm. J. Wilson 51
Asst. P. H. Hanger 81. Irvin Morris 41
Council, Wm. M. Miles 61. Wm. Thomas 57
Sch. Dir. Wm. J. Wilson 51. J. E. Miller 54
Or of Pr. J. E. Lutz 13. J. E. Miller 54
Treasurer, Charles F. Cook 211.
Aud. C. K. Hicklen 100. Joe Rightmour 127

Millheim Boro.

Judge, Stephen Meyer 34. George Sechrist 109
Insp. W. F. Kistner 50. Wm. J. Wilson 51
Asst. Daniel Ulrich 42. L. P. Auman 95
Council, J. E. Lutz 13. J. E. Miller 54
Sch. Dir. J. E. Lutz 13. J. E. Miller 54
Or of Pr. J. E. Lutz 13. J. E. Miller 54
Treasurer, Charles F. Cook 211.
Aud. C. K. Hicklen 100. Joe Rightmour 127

Phillipsburg-1st Ward.

Judge, U. Lichtenhaler 89. H. B. Ammerman 80
Insp. D. K. Tate 89. J. E. Miller 54
Asst. Wm. H. Harper 78. F. W. Grebe 130
Council, J. E. Lutz 13. J. E. Miller 54
Sch. Dir. W. W. Andrew 75. Frank Weber 67
Or of Pr. J. E. Lutz 13. J. E. Miller 54
Treasurer, Charles F. Cook 211.
Aud. C. K. Hicklen 100. Joe Rightmour 127

Phillipsburg-2nd Ward.

Judge, H. C. W. F. Kistner 50. Wm. J. Wilson 51
Insp. Wm. H. Harper 78. F. W. Grebe 130
Council, J. E. Lutz 13. J. E. Miller 54
Sch. Dir. W. W. Andrew 75. Frank Weber 67
Or of Pr. J. E. Lutz 13. J. E. Miller 54
Treasurer, Charles F. Cook 211.
Aud. C. K. Hicklen 100. Joe Rightmour 127

Phillipsburg-3rd Ward.

Judge, Eli Townsend 104. Charles Waring 65
Insp. H. B. Ayers 104. Wm. J. Wilson 51
Asst. W. H. Lintinfeller 140. Blake J. Klyler 66
Council, B. H. Moore 110. A. G. Ryan 94
Sch. Dir. W. W. Andrew 75. Frank Weber 67
Or of Pr. J. E. Lutz 13. J. E. Miller 54
Treasurer, Charles F. Cook 211.
Aud. C. K. Hicklen 100. Joe Rightmour 127

Phillipsburg-4th Ward.

Judge, John Hoffman 31. Chas. Wilcox 33
Insp. William Forrel 44. Chas. Frank 30
Asst. Lyle Stein 33. John A. Hoyer 29
Council, Dan Miller 34. John P. Johnson 132
Sch. Dir. W. W. Andrew 75. Frank Weber 67
Or of Pr. J. E. Lutz 13. J. E. Miller 54
Treasurer, Charles F. Cook 211.
Aud. C. K. Hicklen 100. Joe Rightmour 127

South Phillipsburg.

Judge, John Hoffman 31. Chas. Wilcox 33
Insp. William Forrel 44. Chas. Frank 30
Asst. Lyle Stein 33. John A. Hoyer 29
Council, Dan Miller 34. John P. Johnson 132
Sch. Dir. W. W. Andrew 75. Frank Weber 67
Or of Pr. J. E. Lutz 13. J. E. Miller 54
Treasurer, Charles F. Cook 211.
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SERIOUS FIRE AT CENTRE HALL

Irvin's Large Hardware Store Destroyed on Tuesday

BROKEN LAMP STARTED IT

Adjoining Buildings Caught Fire—Were Saved by Heroic Work—A Shortage in Water Supply Caused General Panic

Shortly after the dinner hour on Tuesday the hardware store of D. Irvin Son's in the foundry building, at Centre Hall, caught fire and by 2.30 the entire building was in ruins with all its contents. The water on hand failed entirely and the flow from the hose was only two to three feet at the nozzle of the hose attached to the new water system. The roof of the dwelling of Mrs. McCully, on the opposite side of the street was on fire, but by the use of a few buckets of water and snow in the outstart the fire was put out. The house occupied by merchant, W. H. Meyer, owned by D. C. Keller, also took fire on the roof, but by an early application of a few buckets of water and snow the fire there was put out. The house of D. G. Meyer, on the north of the burning foundry building, was in such imminent danger that many of the goods therein were removed. The house of W. B. Mingle, on the opposite side of the street, was in such danger that the goods were put ready for removal. The house of J. P. Alexander on the south was in great danger, but the bucket service on the roof alone saved it from taking fire. Irvin's entire stock of hardware was burned. The store was a branch of D. Irvin Son's Bellefonte hardware establishment. They estimate their loss at \$5000, on which there is \$3000 insurance. Reaick & Sellers lose \$1000 on implements stored on the second floor, and no insurance. Reaick & Sellers foundry office, in same building, on the north side, was burned with all the books. The books of D. Irvin & Son's, were also burned.

The origin of the fire is said to have been caused by the explosion of a coal oil lamp which Mrs. Irvin took to the cellar to where she had gone for coal. The lamp was accidentally upset and exploded, and the gasoline with other highly inflammable goods, contained in the cellar, were at once a mass of flame and in a very short time caused a heavy explosion. The building was owned by E. M. Hayett, of Centre Hall, his loss on it is \$2000, and his loss on implements stored on the second floor is \$1000. His insurance is \$1000.

Neglect of the property was insured in the Centre Hall Company.

With sufficient water, people of the town declare, the hardware building could have been saved.

With an abundance of water in sight and available, but studiously ignored, is little short of a crime against the property holders.

Gregg Post, G. A. R., had its room on 2nd floor, and scarce any thing saved.

Straw Caught Fire.

C. C. Shuey and family, of this place met with a peculiar accident, Thursday evening on a trip to State College to visit his parents. In the bottom of the sled was a good portion of straw. The night was cold, and in order to be as comfortable as possible Mrs. Shuey had thoroughly heated some pieces of wood, which were scattered among the straw, the whole then covered over with robes. The merry party of father, mother and six children had proceeded about five miles on their way when the 6-year-old daughter complained of being so warm, saying that her limbs were almost burning.

The horses were brought to a standstill and Mr. Shuey lifted the robes to see if everything was right, when on the instant the entire sled burst into a mass of flames, and it was only a miracle that the family escaped without serious burning. All the straw in the sled was burned, and the robes damaged.

In the Senate.

Bills introduced by Mr. Heinle, of Centre: Providing for the reorganization of the board of trustees of the Pennsylvania State college, and providing for the payment of its necessary expenses; accepting from Andrew Carnegie the donation of a library building for the Pennsylvania State college and the condition attached thereto. The conditions are that Mr. Carnegie will donate the sum of \$100,000 for a library if the State appropriate \$10,000 annually for its maintenance.

Smallpox Scare in Lycoming Co.

The smallpox scare at Loyalsockville, in Lycoming county, is serious. No less than 15 persons had contracted the malady. Some of these have already recovered. Nearly every one of the two hundred or more residents of the village have been exposed to the contagion, and the epidemic is expected to become widespread.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

On Monday the county auditors completed their work and filed their report in the Prothonotary's Office. The following extract from the first part of the document is a high compliment to the present board of county commissioners:

To the Honorable the Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Centre county:

The accounts of W. T. Speer were first taken up *** and after a careful examination of his various accounts, we found a balance due the county of \$14,056 63.

The accounts of Daniel Heckman, Philip Meyer and Abraham V. Miller, County Commissioners, were next audited and compared with the Treasurer's accounts and found them virtually correct, and that the county funds have been judiciously expended, and we therefore, unqualifiedly endorse and approve the economical course of reform being inaugurated by the present Board of County Commissioners.

With these remarks we submit the following statement of the county expenditures to Jan. 1st, 1901, etc.

Signed: W. H. TIBBENS, JOHN H. BECK, ARCHIE ALLISON.

Attest W. MILES WALKER.

While all due credit should be given to the present board of County Commissioners for the good housekeeping that has prevailed there the past year it should also be remembered that the labors of the Commissioners' Clerk contributed materially to these results. By a recent Act of Assembly he is an officer of the county and his powers have been considerably enlarged. Efficient, courteous and ever obliging he has proven himself well adapted for the numerous and perplexing demands often made upon that department, and at the same time the business of the office has been carefully and satisfactorily done, while system and thoroughness have been instituted where confusion and disorder formerly prevailed. These comments are due Mr. Boyd A. Musser, who in an unobtrusive way has so efficiently performed his duty, and it is proper to acknowledge it in this connection.

KILLED AT OLD FORT.

Run Over and Crushed by a Sled Loaded With Logs.

A sad accident befel Edward Meyer, a son of George Meyer, of Coburn, and a brother of Wm. Meyer, merchant, of Centre Hall, on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock, while hauling logs from near Centre Hall to the loading station a short distance below Old Fort. Behind his sled was another loaded with logs. A milk-wagon coming up back of these teams drove around them to pass, which frightened the one team and it started to run. The unfortunate man fell from his sled and the back team ran over him with its load of logs, badly crushing his head, tearing off both his ears and breaking his left leg. He was killed instantly. He was an exemplary young man highly respected and well known on that side of the county. His age was about 44 years. He leaves a wife and two children, a son of about 16 years and a daughter of some 11 years, to mourn his untimely end. Mr. Meyer lived on what is known as the Barny Wagner farm near Centre Hall.

Opened Love Letters.

For some time past there have been complaints of the mail at Mingo, in Walker township known as Hecla Park being tampered with. Letters and packages opened and resealed before delivery. Complaints at the postoffice failed to remedy the evil and finally the postoffice authorities at Washington were notified. Postoffice Inspector William Malone was sent here to investigate. He discovered that the tampering was done in that office.

Inspector Malone secured evidence and Friday evening Miss Peters the assistant an 18 year old daughter of Postmaster Daniel Peters, who is also track foreman on the C. R. R. of Pa., was placed under arrest. The young woman confessed and gave as her reason, her desire to read the love letters sent and received by the young people of that community. Miss Peters waived a hearing and was held in \$500 bail for appearance at the next term of United States court at Pittsburg.

Nothing was abstracted from the packages opened. This is a case of undue curiosity, and it appears that the young lady did not appreciate the seriousness of her offence.

Clever Publication.

A copy of Barger's Magazine, a new publication launched at Pittsburg, is a clever literary production. The editor, A. L. Barger, has some able contributions in it, and if the future issues are as good as the first it will win public favor.

PUBLIC SALES IN THE COUNTY

List of Farm Sales for the Season

GATHERED FROM THE PAPERS

A List That Will be Interesting to Those Seeking Live Stock and Farm Implements—Will Appear but Once, in this Issue—Preserve it

The following is a list of the public sales to be held in Centre county this season. The same is compiled from the various papers in the county. It will only appear in this issue and those who are interested in the sales and the dates of same had better cut this out for future reference:

FEBRUARY:

- 20—Wm. Garner, west of State College.
- 21—L. H. Musser, west of Fillmore.
- 22—J. B. Mayer, near Houserville.
- 23—J. R. Bible, near Potters Mills.
- 24—A. Confer, at Milesburg.
- 25—Leah Lowry, at Coleville.
- 26—W. C. Bible, Potters Mills.
- 27—H. E. Royer, east Centre Hill.
- 28—W. G. Saxton, near Fillmore.
- 28—D. P. Shamp, near Zion.
- 28—R. E. Stover, west of Rebersburg.

MARCH:

- 1—J. A. Sankey, near Potters Mills.
- 1—Charles Snyder, Ferguson.
- 2—W. H. Neff, north of Howard.
- 4—Chas. Becker, near State College.
- 5—Samuel Garner, State College.
- 5—Jas. Gramley, west Hubersburg.
- 5—C. W. Biddle, north of Martha.
- 6—R. P. Odenkirk, Potter township.
- 6—John T. Baylet, east of Bellefonte.
- 7—John S. Dale, east of Lemont.
- 7—Nath. Bowersox, near Wolf's Store.
- 8—Wm. J. Krape, near Fiedler.
- 8—James G. James, west Blanchard.
- 8—David Tressler, south of Fillmore.
- 8—D. H. Ruhl, at Spring Mills.
- 9—Clara Iddings, at Gum Stump.
- 9—H. W. Prantz, Bloomsdorf Sta.
- 11—E. E. Yarnell, near State College.
- 11—D. F. Runkle, south Spring Mills.
- 12—John Krumrine, west of Millheim.
- 12—Mrs. J. B. Royer, near Centre Hill.
- 12—G. B. Lucas, west of Unionville.
- 13—Joel Strabie, south of Zion.
- 13—J. W. Snyder, east of Rebersburg.
- 14—Henry Breon, west of Millheim.
- 14—William Houtz, west of Mattersville.
- 14—Lucretia Goeben, west Boalsburg.
- 14—Mrs. A. Harter, east of Bellefonte.
- 15—Jerry Kelly, south of Fillmore.
- 15—John Tressler, north of Hecla Park.
- 15—J. I. Wessel, near Beech Creek.
- 15—G. W. Diehl, at Centre Mills.
- 16—Wm. H. Blauser, near Spring Mills.
- 16—J. H. Musser, east of Pa. Furnace.
- 16—H. Harshberger, near Milesburg.
- 16—H. K. Mattern, west of Julian.
- 16—C. A. Doebler, in Aaronsburg.
- 18—Ezra Tresler, south of Linden Hall.
- 19—Jas. Henderson west of Bellefonte.
- 19—Michael Hess, near Shingletown.
- 19—Mrs. Walker, east of Wolf's Store.
- 19—Thos. E. Jodon, near Clintondale.
- 19—Dr. T. S. Christ, near Centre Fur.
- 20—John T. Markel, at Stormstown.
- 20—S. W. Waite, near Bellefonte.
- 20—Daniel Wios, east of Bellefonte.
- 20—John Wolfe, west of Rebersburg.
- 21—T. G. W. Edmunds, Aaronsburg.
- 21—David Bohn, south of Linden Hall.
- 21—John P. Breon, Spring Mills.
- 21—Jos. B. Miller, near Pleasant Gap.
- 22—Isaac Reish, at Struble Station.
- 22—Jacob K. Rider, at Gatsburg.
- 22—Geo. Sechrist, in Millheim.
- 22—Wm. L. Confer, near Romola.
- 25—J. S. Rumberger, near Roopsburg.
- 25—S. G. Burrell, east of Penn Hall.
- 25—Speer Burrell, east of Penn Hall.
- 26—John C. Bible, at Stone Mill.
- 26—Jacob Long, near Madisonburg.
- 26—J. R. Lutz, west of Zion.
- 26—David Otto, east of Stormstown.
- 27—G. W. Scholl, at Houserville.
- 27—W. R. Bartley west of Jacksonville.
- 28—H. H. Coldren, east Pleasant Gap.
- 28—H. Zeigler, west of Jacksonville.
- 28—John Harper, at Potters Mills.
- 28—Mrs. J. Showers, near Centre Hall.
- 28—M. M. Lucas, close to Runville.
- 29—L. Rhone, west of Old Fort.
- 29—Theodore P. Lucas, east Clarence.

FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright Sparkling Paragraphs—Selected and Original.

Found wanting—the beggar.

Not a dog fancier—the tramp.

A bell always does as it is tolled.

A poor excuse—"Can't afford it."

The man with a skate on doesn't cut much ice.

The baseball pitcher is a power behind the throne.

Love may laugh at locksmiths, but not at locks of hair.

The lawyer is one man who profits by advice. He sells it.

The more trouble some people have the more they want to borrow.

"I suppose," said the blacksmith, "I'm what they call a shoer thing"

If you want to know whether a friend trusts you, ask for a loan of \$10.

We do not all have turn-up noses, but we must all "turn up our toes."

People who say nothing can offend as deeply as people who say too much.

It doesn't take a hatchet-faced woman to cut an undesirable acquaintance.

It is foolish to boast illustrious ancestry unless you amount to something yourself.

A man who says he doesn't drink is not always above the breath of suspicion.

The one-legged man has to call himself to order with one member missing.

Perhaps girls are fond of pet dogs because they like to have some snap about them.

Obligation is a myth; the pleasure a man gets from conferring a favor ought to cancel it.

HISTORICAL REVIEW.

Owing to the crowded condition of our columns this week due to election returns and other special features we are obliged to omit our two column selections devoted to "Our Historical Review." Hereafter this will appear regularly. Again we would say that any appropriate contributions for this department will be gladly published.

Is There Coal Over There?

The excitement over coal discoveries at and around Spring Mills is at a lull of late, but faith in it still is firm with some. Coal experts that were there barreled at a depth of 20 feet on the Barrill land coal will be found. The search, however, was abandoned after digging down 16 feet. Black mineral, closely resembling coal, was found, but the prospecting was halted by a failure to raise voluntary contributions to pay expenses for digging deeper, those willing to contribute claiming a share of interest if any black diamonds were found, and here is where the operation temporarily, at least, as our informant tells us, stopped.

Again, a so-called coal smelter went over the lands on Hon. Wm. Allison's farm, and announced he had found a spot where coal could be found at a depth of six feet, and for a certain sum or interest he would reveal the secret. This party made all his searches by night with the aid of a lantern, and his light was seen upon several occasions as he moved about all alone. But no one knows where he found the lucky spot. Other coal smelters have also been there and gave assurances that coal was to be found sure, but have thus far failed to raise the wind in the shape of a reward to reveal the secret. The believers in coal beds thereabouts are not few, but as the stuff will not come up of itself to prove it, the owners of lands are just as spanky and won't dig down to get at the black diamonds. And there's the rub. If an understanding could be arrived at by the land owners and the coal to meet each other half way, that would be a fair compromise.

We have it from a reliable gentleman that samples of coal were taken from one of the Spring Mills "mines" which actually burned as any other coal does.

Horse Became the Driver.

The following interesting story is going in the daily papers:

I. C. Holmes, of State College, started last Saturday night in a sleigh with his sister, Miss Mabel Holmes, and a friend, Miss Miller, to drive from the College to Spruce Creek. When in the neighborhood of Pine Grove Mills, the sleigh broke through a huge snow drift; the occupants were thrown out, and the horse ran away.

The animal, after running a half-mile, overtook a sled in which were Amos Koch and three children. The runaway horse made one spring and landed with all fours in the sled right among the children, but fortunately without tramping one of them. The children and driver at once tumbled out into the snow, leaving the horse the only occupant. The horses hitched to the sled took fright and ran away, and sped like wild a half-mile or more, the horse in the sled seeming to enjoy his ride. He jumped out when the speed was slackened.