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EDITORIAL.

AUCTIONER Stone: "Oh, yes, oh yes, who will be the highest bidder for the Mitchell seat on the bench of the Superior Court? Bid quick. Mr. Brown, of Pittsburgh, will you have it? Ah, you don't want it. Well, the sale is postponed."

BELLEFONTE, with the many honors bestowed upon her distinguished citizens, could have carried another, proudly, had the Governor been true to his promise to appoint Hon. J. G. Love to a seat on the bench of the Superior Court—when that Mitchell vacancy happens.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT broke the precedent by attending a game of foot ball last Saturday at Philadelphia. He even jumped over a fence and helped to cheer, evidently would like to have been in the push himself. But by the time congress adjourns he may think foot ball dead easy. The politicians in the Senate and House are murmuring and threatening vengeance on some of his bold departures and defiant treatment of the political heeled. Roosevelt will never be accused of having a rubber backbone, double dealing, or being owned by anyone.

CONGRESS IN SESSION.

Tuesday congress convened and the principal event was President Roosevelt's first message. Although in office but eleven weeks he presents the longest document of the kind in many years. Instead of being a compilation of department reports and dry timber, he takes up a variety of national topics and treats them in a plain, candid, courageous style. The president means what he says and says what he means, and every reader thereof can tell exactly where he is at—no meaningless phrases and doubtful platitudes.

On general issues he stands with his party, excepting that he has some vigorous ideas for curbing and regulating trusts, and this has caused alarm among prominent republicans, fearing thereby to loose the campaign boodle to control elections.

The other interesting features are legislation urged for increasing the navy, restricting Chinese emigration, encouraging reciprocity treaties, exclusion and punishment of anarchists, building of the isthmus canal, subsidies for American ships, building a Pacific cable, preservation of forests, irrigation of arid lands in the West. He approves the colonial policy, the monetary system, present high tariff, promotions in public service to be made solely on merit, etc.

Many things in the message we approve and especially the fact of an honest expression of views. To carry out all improvements urged means the expenditure of untold millions and no limit to taxation.

A two-column synopsis of the message will be found on page 2 of this issue.

CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES.

Ex-Congressman W. C. Arnold, of DuBois, who was defeated by Congressman Hall three years ago, announces that he will be a candidate for the Republican nomination in this district, now comprised of the counties of Centre, Clearfield, Cameron and McKean, at the next primaries. The friends of Alexander C. Patton, of Curwensville, have also brought him out as a candidate for the congressional nomination. Arnold is a staunch Quayite, while Patton is anti-Quay.

So far neither Centre, McKean nor Cameron counties have a candidate in the field, but politicians declare that both former Governor Hastings, of this place, and Lewis Emery, of Bradford, will have more or less to do with nomination of the successful candidate.

The above appeared in the dailies as a dispatch from this place. It is often hinted that Gen. Hastings would be a fit man to represent this district. Then Col. W. F. Reeder's name is frequently connected with the same office. If Arnold should be nominated by the republicans any kind of a democrat would have a chance of election.

Weather Report.

Table with columns: DATE, TEMPERATURE, Maximum, Minimum. Rows for Nov 28, 29, 30, Dec 1, 2, 3, 4, and Rain forecast.

Had four inches of snow on Tuesday and the little boys' hearts were gladdened that a freeze allowed them fine coasting down Bellefonte's many hills.

The annual holiday entertainment by the Senior class of the Bellefonte High school will be held Friday afternoon, 2 p. m. The public is cordially invited.

HISTORICAL REVIEW.

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and imposing military array. After the ceremony, James Merrill, Esq., delivered an address.

HISTORY OF HIGHVALLEY.

The first settler was George Rider, from Hanover township, Montgomery county, Pa., in 1820. After Rider had his loghouse, ready to move in, he was notified to leave the property, but he held it for two years, then he left and another man, by the name of John Strume, took possession under the claim of "John Capp Survey;" thereafter John Strume held it for one year. Then John Stover leased it who released it to John Eisenhuth. John Eisenhuth was married to Elizabeth Rider, a daughter of George Rider. John Eisenhuth leased it to Geo. Rider again. The people kept Mr. Rider under the impression that the "Capp Survey" was not located there; so Geo. Rider went to work and cleared a farm, litigation ensued that lasted twenty years, but at last George Rider was beaten.

George Rider then located in the valley and took up his trade as carpentering. He built the first ark to carry flour to Baltimore from Pine Creek Mills. He followed arking during the winter and in the summer he cleared land. When the ark was loaded and ready to strike out, lots of the farmers came to see it. Peter Snyder, George Swartz, Barnet Eisenhuth, William Eisenhuth were overseers of the ark. The ark was built for ex-sheriff W. L. Musser, who loaded it with flour. I can not give the number of barrels it contained or its size, but it cost \$100. Mr. Musser's ark landed safely with all his flour. After that every spring one or two arks were built. Arking was stopped then; the Eisenhuth's took to building rafts to run their lumber to Selinsgrove. After running a few rafts to Selinsgrove with good results, George Fowler went to work and built rafts and lost two and quit. But John Penny, Fowler's right hand man, said he could not see why they could not run their lumber to market just as well as the Eisenhuths. So Mr. Fowler made a bargain with the Eisenhuths to deliver his lumber safely in "Samsel's dam," at Wirestown. They followed that business for a number of years, then a company from Dover city, Maine, came and bought up nearly all the timber land along Penns Creek, and stopped rafting. Then Mr. Fowler went to work and built a tramroad up Lick Hollow to reach his timber, and the Maine company had a large tract above Mr. Fowler, but when Fowler reached his he stopped and built trucks 12 feet long; when Mr. Masden, the foreman of the Maine company saw the trucks he said it would never work. Mr. Fowler took a yoke of oxen and started up the tramroad and came back with a tree 40 feet long, 3 feet thick, and let it stand. Next day Mr. Masden came along and saw it and said it will bring the logs. He went to see Fowler and wanted him to extend the road to their timber, but Mr. Fowler told him he got tired building the road further.

Mr. Fowler had these two miles of tramroad, but Mr. Masden assisted to have the road extended to reach their timbers. After dinner Mr. Masden said, "Here, Mr. Fowler, is five hundred dollars, you go to work and build the road." Mr. Fowler built two miles more. The writer dragged lumber on that road for years. In the spring the logs were floated as far down as Selinsgrove where the sawmill was located. Jam brakers got as high as five and six dollars a day and the company kept it up for 15 years. Then the railroad was built and that stopped floating on water. Then Mr. Fowler went to boring for oil on his own expense, but failed to get the oil. There is but one living of the early pioneers of this valley, who engaged in arking, and he is William Eisenhuth aged 91. Barnet Eisenhuth lived to 85 years. I see the records of Barnet and William Eisenhuth give their father's age at 109 years, 11 months and 5 days at time of death. His wife was 84 years, 3 months and 15 days. She became blind, fell in a coal grate, and was so badly burned that she died. I forgot to mention Michael Stover, he was one of the rafting crew, and he now lives with his son Leonard, at Coburn. He is not quite as old as William Eisenhuth and not as active.

Now Mr. Editor, if you think this may be of historical interest to your many readers, you may print it in the Centre Democrat. E.M.T. EISENHUTH.

(Highvalley is located in Haines township, about two miles south of Coburn. Ing'by (known as Fowler) is the railroad station.)

Woodward.

Fannie Grenoble is staying at Harris Stover's during the winter.

Fred Styers left at Anmiller's and is at present staying with Jacob Musser, near Wolfe's Chapel.

The hunting season for deer is closed, and we did not hear of a single deer being shot by our nimrods.

Sausages are long and plenty. Simon Showalter, of Northumberland, visited his aged mother last week on her 84th birthday. Grain fields look well.

WANTED—Several persons of character and good reputation in each state (one in this county required) to represent and advertise old established wealthy business house of solid financial standing. Salary \$18.00 weekly with expenses additional, all payable in cash each Wednesday direct from head offices. Horse and carriage furnished, when necessary. References. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. Manager, 316 Oaxton Building, Chicago.

COURT NOTES.

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former South precinct in half. Wm. P. Lucas administrator of etc., of Austin Lucas, dec'd. now for use of Martha Lucas vs. Philip S. Iddings, scire facias to revive a judgment, plea nil debit. Defendant confessed judgment in open court in favor of the plaintiff for \$72.85, conditioned that defendant pay plaintiff \$40 within 5 days when plaintiff is to satisfy the judgment.

Jonathan G. Royer vs. M. S. Betz and John Graden; Geo. Kaufman vs. same; and John W. Eby vs. same. Three cases and summoned in each case in ejectment, plea not guilty. These plaintiffs are farmers and each owns a piece of timber land on the ridge in Walker Twp., being the northern part of the warrantee tract of land known as the John Erskin and the defendants some time ago bought the tract of land in the warrantee name of J. D. Shugert and their surveyor located it on the northern portion of the John Erskin tract and the defendants commenced to cut timber, when plaintiff brought these actions and stopped them. The Erskin is a senior warrant, and plaintiff's surveyors located it without a doubt and also located defendant's tract further north. Defendants filed disclaimers on Monday morning, disclaiming all title to the land claimed by plaintiffs and verdicts were rendered in favor of the plaintiffs in each case for the land described in the writ.

Mary E. Leathers and John L. Kurtz vs. J. Howard Tipton and Rebecca J. Tipton, defendants, with notice to Francis T. McEntire, Laura T. Hunter and J. Will Mayes, terre tenants and all other terre tenants if there be any scire facias surjudgment, plea nil debit. Plaintiffs suffer a voluntary non suit.

J. R. Alexander and Mary P. Alexander and Roberta A. Yarrington, heirs and legal representatives of C. T. Alexander, dec'd. vs. Bellefonte Iron and Nail company and the Commonwealth Trust and Safe Deposit company, assignee, summoned in ejectment, plea not guilty. Defendants filed disclaimer to land and plaintiffs suffered a voluntary non suit.

Samuel A. Bruss vs. Geo. W. Barner, summoned in replevin, plea non cepit and property. Settled.

Johnston Howister company vs. A. H. Krumrine, summoned in assumpsit, plea non assumpsit. This case is brought to recover for a "Bonnie" binder manufactured by plaintiffs and it appears from the testimony adduced that some time in March 1899 plaintiff's representative at State College, a Mr. Corl, solicited the defendant to buy one of plaintiff's harvesting machines, which he did by signing an order or contract, whereupon the machine was shipped and when harvest time came plaintiff's representative set up the machine and as alleged by the defendant, the machine did not work satisfactorily, that the machine would choke and that it would not tie the right, and that the representative could not make it work satisfactorily and that the second day he finished cutting his wheat with a cradle; that in oats harvest they had again tried the machine in the presence of the representative and that it did not do its work satisfactorily, that he notified the agent to get an expert to make it work. The plaintiff denies this and says that under the contract it was the duty of the defendant to notify plaintiffs, at their place of business at Harrisburg, if the machine did not work, so that they could send an expert to make it work. Defendant further alleged that plaintiff's representative had requested him to keep the machine in his shed and that afterwards he hauled it to plaintiff's agent, and afterwards this suit was brought to recover the purchase price of this binder. Verdict for the defendant.

Robt. Kinkead vs. Rosa L. Pierce, summoned in assumpsit, plea non assumpsit. Continued at costs of defendant, and defendant to pay costs within ten days after they are taxed.

R. T. Clayton vs. The Nittany Rod and Gun club, summoned in assumpsit, plea non assumpsit. Settled.

W. M. Grove vs. Jas. Bartley, George Sheasley and Kate Confer, summoned in replevin, plea non cepit and not guilty. This suit is brought to recover for sideboard and cook stove by the plaintiff and the facts as alleged by the plaintiff are about as follows: Some time in 1899 or the beginning of 1900 the constable of Potter Twp. had a landlord's warrant against Jas. Bartley and Kate Confer for rent due a Mr. Musser and these defendants in the warrant ask Mr. Grove to arrange this rent, which he did, taking a bill of sale from them for the articles in question and some others; and sometime afterwards an execution was issued against these same people and the property bought in by the plaintiff in the writ and plaintiff alleges that the stove was afterwards sold to Mr. Bartley, while the defendants allege that the stove was sold to Mr. Sheasley. At the time the writ of replevin was issued the sheriff found the stove at Mr. Sheasley's and the sideboard at a vacant house occupied by Bartley and Confer sometime before and did not find the balance. Verdict on Wednesday afternoon in favor of the plaintiff for the sideboard and cook stove.

J. L. Kremer vs. Wm. Vonada, Wm. Close and Wm. Pees, summoned in ejectment, plea not guilty. Defendants plead surprise and the case was continued.

E. T. Butler vs. M. A. Motz, summoned in assumpsit, plea non assumpsit. This case was brought to recover one half of contract price for milling machinery in Pine Creek mill in Haines Twp., and other items, also for wages of mill-right placing machinery as per contract; which defendant claims was imperfect alleging that the mill would not do the work according to guarantee, and plaintiff alleged that it fulfilled every requirement of the guarantee and that the mill was not skilfully operated, as the mill did the work when operated by plaintiff's men sent there at different times. At the close of plaintiff's side of the case, the suit was settled and jury withdrawn. This leaves but one more case open for Thursday morning, when a jury will be challenged.

The New Grocery

Ammerman Building, Bishop Street.

Don't send to the city for your groceries, you can get them here just as cheap, and in as small or large a quantity as you wish. We don't sell you a few articles at a low rate, but have our entire line marked to a cut rate basis.

There is a cut rate grocery in other towns and cities, why not have one in Bellefonte? Come and see what it is like.

E. T. ROAN,

Bishop Street - - - - - BELLEFONTE, PA.

Advertisement for PILES CURED, Green's Pharmacy, 100 Bush House Block, Bellefonte, Pa.

Advertisement for HOLIDAY SLIPPERS AND RUBBER GOODS, MODEL SHOE STORE, TEMPLE COURT, BELLEFONTE, PA.

Large advertisement for FAUBLES' clothing, featuring illustrations of hands and text: "People in All Walks of Life RICH AND POOR ALIKE. Point toward this store as the ONE place in Bellefonte where they are always absolutely certain of receiving only dependable clothing. We sell the product of America's best clothing makers—Clothing that wears, keeps its shape, its color, and proves in every way serviceable and satisfactory to the purchaser. Faubles' Clothing and Good Clothing are synonymous. This we have proven by the test of time. If you have bought of us you know this to be true. If not, ask your friends; they will verify this statement for us. Come, point with your neighbor toward this store when after clothing. You will be more than pleased with the result. You will find this The Best Store for Men and Boys in Central Penna. Its no ordinary store."

HOLIDAY GIFTS PROF. J. ANGEL

Should be practical as well as beautiful—they should be purchased early to secure a good selection. We have a nice line of suitable goods which we will take pleasure in showing you whether you are ready to purchase or not. These goods consist in part of Pocket Books, Purses, Comb and Brush Sets, Military and other Hair Brushes, Traveling Cases, Spectacle Holders, Fern Dishes, Stamp Holders, Medallions, etc. You will find both goods and prices satisfactory, at GREEN'S PHARMACY

Advertisement for Prof. J. Angel, Eye Specialist, with illustrations of eyes and text: "Eye Specialist of Williamsport, will make his monthly visit here Thursday, Dec. 19th, from 9.30 a. m. to 8 p. m. with headquarters at the GARMAN HOUSE Bellefonte, Pa."

Prof. Angel is late from New York city, with headquarters at 32 W. 4th street, Williamsport, Pa., and will make regular monthly visits to Bellefonte in the future. His specialty is to prescribe and furnish special glasses to relieve headache, to strengthen weak eyes, and to give clear vision to defective eyesight. Having studied and graduated abroad and having 15 YEARS EXPERIENCE, can guarantee good results in every case. Invalids and those that cannot conveniently leave their home can be examined at their home by appointments without extra charge. Prof. Angel, in the short time he has been visiting this section, has met with marked success. Persons whose eyes need attention, can consult some of the following in this community, who have been treated by him: Miss Sarah Bayard, Mrs. W. M. Allison, H. D. Gheret, Mrs. Oliver Whitmer, Miss Catharine McMahon, Mrs. Martin Dale, Miss Mollie Flack, and scores of others who were pleased with the relief given. DONT. If your eyes are causing trouble—vision imperfect—you aggravate the trouble by delay, and may permanently impair your sight. Don't delay to consult a Reliable Oculist, and none can be too good.