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COL. WOODWARD FOR GOVERNOR

Embodies the Qualities for Leadership this Year.

THE MAN AND THE ISSUES

A Crisis in Public Affairs Demands Thoughtful Action by the Democracy of Pennsylvania—Time for Deliberation and Decisive Action.

Pennsylvania is passing through a crisis. Its people have been appalled and denuded by the flood-tide of corruption and open bribery of its legislature, the loss of dignity in its administrative officials, and the open and organized raids against the most sacred rights of Pennsylvanians. Franchises worth millions have been stolen at midnight by the signature of our Governor, United States senators elected by the open purchase of votes and Pennsylvania's cities disfranchised and their citizens deprived of the sacred rights of free men. The successful crime against Pittsburg and Scranton may be repeated next, and where? What city, town or county is safe from the present men in power? This alarm of all good citizens is culminating in deep seated indignation and wide revolt against the purposes and machinations of the Quay machine.

Pennsylvania is in danger and we are on the eve of a most momentous and crucial struggle, the result of which will be far reaching and may be disastrous. *Who will lead us to victory? Where is the man of the hour? Who can speak in such thunder tones that the plain people will hear and believe him? What Moses will lead the Israel of the Keystone State, out of this wilderness of political debauchery and Pennsylvania's degradation, into the Promised Land of good and honest government?*

The issue will be what we make it. The issue will be the man that we nominate. We disparage no man, but there is always but one man for the hour and the issue. The situation to-day demands a leader fresh from the people, free from all political entanglements, if possible with the smell of the soil upon his clothes. As the ancient Romans called Cincinnatus from the plow to save their liberties, so let us turn our eyes to the farm. We present COL. JOHN A. WOODWARD, of Howard, Centre county, to the Democracy of Pennsylvania, and we urge them to earnestly consider him as the man of the hour. What you think, the people of the state will largely think. Col. Woodward is not a paper farmer; he earns his bread in the sweat of his face; but he is an educated and a broad-minded farmer, a man of ripe judgment, a man who wields a trenchant pen and of strong incisive speech; a man who has represented the people in two terms of the legislature, and whose service on its floor was above criticism and reproach; a man who has had wide experience with the educational and journalistic institutions of the state; a man of the widest acquaintance among the farmers of every section of Pennsylvania, but in whom all interests alike have the utmost confidence; a brave man and a strong man. He will both know how to speak and how to act. Col. Woodward represents the "plain people;" is not a politician's candidate; but his name has been brought forward by "plain people" in distant parts of the state. He holds no office, belongs to no machine, has no wealth and his selection therefore to such a high position must come as an open protest, from the people, against present inequities.

As Governor of Pennsylvania he would be no man's man but with the broadest sympathy for all legitimate interests of the Commonwealth, would serve none but the whole people of the state, and with his election as Governor of Pennsylvania we promise that the present disgrace at Harrisburg shall forever cease.

Bequests to Churches.

The will of the late Captain David McCaughey, who died at Clearfield, provides that \$2,000 be given to each of the Clearfield, Presbyterian, Methodist and Lutheran churches, and the Osceola Presbyterian church; also \$5,000 a piece to the Clearfield school district and the Clearfield Cemetery association.

GREAT RAILROAD SCHEME

Water Power of the Susquehanna River to be Utilized.

The Montgomery Mirror of last week says: "Although the West Branch canal has been abandoned for a number of years between Muncy and Lock Haven, and is being gradually abandoned south of this place it has been a source of much wonderment why thousands of dollars are being spent annually in keeping up the dams at Lock Haven, Williamsport, Muncy and the dams farther down the river, from which no apparent benefit is being derived. The mystery is being partly cleared up by the information that a large sum of money is to be expended again this summer and it can be for no other purpose than to utilize the water of the Susquehanna to generate electricity for motive power. While in the beginning this would mean a great outlay of money, in a few years it would be the means of saving millions of dollars in the transportation of freight and passengers. Power houses would be located at Lock Haven, Williamsport, Muncy, and Sunbury. No change would be necessary in the present equipment of freight cars or passenger coaches, the only change necessary would be the change from steam to electric locomotives, and the erecting of the generating plants. The present telegraph poles can be used to attach the trolley wire, there is no right of way to be secured and paid for, enough land is now owned by the company at each of these dams upon which power stations can be built, and the greatest item of expense will be the electrical equipment for generating purposes and the erection of the power houses. The cost of wire and electrical locomotives will be offset by turning the present steam locomotives over to the other portions of the system where water power cannot be secured. This will explain to the people of Lock Haven why they could not get the water rights of the dam at that place from the canal company some years ago. The able and conservative management of the Pennsylvania railroad never promulgates any contemplated changes in its system until it is ready to go to work. For this reason Lock Haven people were unable to get any satisfactory reason for the refusal of the company to sell at that time, but they will now learn that the company had the best of reasons for not desiring to sell. This will certainly be a long step in cheapening the cost of transportation and the end will result in direct benefit to the general public. No stoppage for coal or water will then be necessary, through freight may be started at Renovo and hauled through to Harrisburg without a single stop. Train crews will be reduced two or three men, and the noise, smoke and cinder of the steam locomotive will no longer be a burden to the traveler. The saving in bituminous coal will be a big item off the debit side of the company's balance sheet. The passenger coaches will no doubt be lighted and heated by electricity, and the advertising company will receive from the contemplated change will pay well for the expenditure made."

SCHLOSS-FAUBLE.

Tuesday evening, at 5 o'clock, a pretty wedding ceremony was performed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Fauble, East High street, by which their daughter Miss Blanche L. was given in marriage to Mr. Wm. Wolf Schloss, of Philadelphia. For this nuptial event the parlors were tastefully decorated with palms and Easter lilies. Promptly at the appointed time the wedding party appeared. The bride was attired in an elegant gown of white crepe de chene trimmed with real lace and carried a bouquet of white roses and lilies of the valley. The bride and groom were attended by Miss Jennie Fauble, as bridesmaid, a sister, who wore a white Paris muslin gown and carried a plateau of maiden hair fern; and Mr. Leon Schloss as groomsmen. The wedding ceremony was pronounced by Rev. Dr. Levy, Rabbi of Rodeph Shalem Temple, Pittsburg, using the ring. A wedding dinner was served by Ceaders' the caterer. The wedding was attended only by immediate relatives. The out of town guests present were: Mrs. B. Schloss, mother of the groom and her daughters, Misses Mabel and Rita, a brother Isador Schloss and wife and daughter Caroline, all of Philadelphia; and Mrs. Levi Schloss, and Mrs. Joe Elias and son Justine, all of Baltimore. The newly married couple will reside in Philadelphia where Mr. Schloss is engaged in business.

Change of Firm.

W. R. Jenkins, senior partner of the firm of Jenkins & Lingle, founders and machinists, withdrew recently leaving J. Howard Lingle as sole owner of the long established business. Mr. Jenkins' retirement was necessitated by the increasing demand on his time at the Howard Iron works. Mr. Lingle will continue the business alone.

MOVINGS IN CENTRE CO.

Specially Compiled by Our Correspondents.

MOST SECTIONS REPORTED

Giving a Complete List of "Flittings"—You Can See Where Friends are Located—Information of Value to Business Men.

Through the kindness of our numerous correspondents over the county, we are able to present herewith a large list of movings, from nearly every locality. While this may not be entertaining, yet it contains much valuable information that we believe will be appreciated.

A few localities are not reported owing to correspondents overlooking the matter. In our next issue we will give space to all that have been overlooked, if list is sent us in time.

Ferguson Twp.

Thomas Gramley, to Altoona. Elmer Ishler, to the Stump farm near Centre Hall. Henry Bloom, to Samuel Ishler farm. James Peters, to Samuel McWilliams farm in Glades. A. S. Walker, to the Robert Meek farm. Howard Goss and A. J. Tate exchange places. I. A. Gates moves to Tyrone. Ross Grove, to old Jacob Markel house. William and Ralph Stover, to Albert Hoy farm. J. C. Bunell, to Dan Barr farm which he purchased. J. C. Hoover and his mother to the William Musser house which they bought. J. A. Becker, goes to the Mill house on Water, and Reed Randolph will cater to the public as mine host of the Elmhotel. J. Cal Bailey, to Samuel Garner house. Walter Weaver, to William Meyers house. William McClellan, to Mrs. Archey house. Samuel Grove, to Mrs. Joseph Gates house; she is quitting housekeeping and will spend the balance of her days among her children. C. B. Hess is in the Senator F. Campbell mansion. Ed. V. Koehler, to the Porter farm. Pierce Galt, to James Oliver farm. George M. Williams, to the A. G. Ewing farm. John Miller, to Samuel Musser farm. William Beck, to Mrs. Johnson farm. Adam Smith, to Mrs. Walker house. Frank Fry, to D. G. Meek tenant house. L. M. Ritter, to William Foster farm. D. M. Markel, to Keenelin farm. E. Johnson, to William Musser farm he bought. Frank Davis to S. P. Irvin house he purchased. Robert Florio to D. I. Johnson house. Frank Lohr to N. E. Hess farm. E. O. Heckman to H. M. Snyder farm. Oliver Bloom to his father's Harris Bloom's. John Johnson to Samuel T. Gray farm. George Johnson to John Wolf farm. Mr. Wolf to Oak Grove. Joe S. Meyers is back from Pittsburg in the John Rider house. Mrs. Rider quit housekeeping and will live with her children. Charles Strouse will till Rev. Geo. Glenn's broad acres near Fillmore. I. M. Gates moved to Altoona and will conduct a street car. Luther Fry gave up teaching and will assist his brother-in-law, Laird Holmes in the mercantile business as a molasses stager. Hon. J. M. McCormick moved to his new home at State College. Elmer Houtz, moved to Millheim to engage in butchering. John Williams to one of the Gregg farms near Centre Hall. Charley Lutz to the Thomas Huey farm at Fillmore. James L. Murphy and his bride are at home to their friends at the old Murphy house on Water street. The callthumps gave them a cordial welcome. John D. Dreibleis to the Wilson Gardner farm. Frank Graham, to the Merryman down town property. James Kustalor to Mill house at Oak Hill. Russell McMahon to farming and raising farm stock.—Watchman.

Wells Store.

John Wirt vacated the Bowersox farm and moved to Sugar valley, and J. S. Harter from Millheim took the Bowersox farm. W. B. Haines to Millheim and Ira Brungart rented the farm of G. B. Haines, vacated by his son W. R. Haines. Adam Zerby, of Spring Mills, on the Z. D. Thomas farm vacated by Ira Brungart. Geo. Wolfart went to Rebersburg and John Slagle from Penns Care on the Wolf farm. James Wert moved near Madisonburg, and S. O. Waite to Smulton. C. D. Weaver to Main street and G. J. Greeninger into D. B. Weaver's house, vacated by C. D. Weaver. C. W. Freedy goes to Millheim.

Hellings-Wm. Brindle will work for W.F. Stover.

John Bright for E. G. Hosterman, Harper Brungart for Jerry Brungart, Calvin Wolfart for Ira Brungart. —Garret for D. W. Cornman. —Vonada and Norman Hasel for T. F. Brungart, Adam Ruhl for W. J. Kreider. J. E. Gilbert for John Slagle. Thomas Stitzer for Harvey Wise, Herbert Beck for Joe Korman, H. M. Wance for J. A. Meyer, Elra Overdorf for Cyrus Zeigler and John Snyder for Adam Auman.

Nittany.

Clyde Bressler, of Penns valley, on the farm he bought of A. A. Fletcher. Cal Fravel from Chas. Yearick's house to Colyer, Greely Rodgers from Sugar valley to the Yearick house. Perry McCoy to housekeeping in Fleming. Frank Yearick, went to Mr. Furst's farm; Caleb's house. Herb Nyhart moved to Pennsylvania, Fred Tillman to the Sayer house, Will Rossman, of Zerby's tenant house to Lamar. Will Fisher, of Clintondale, in the Zerby house; Henry Bartholomew from Joe Long's farm, in what is known as the Mowry house, Ben Fisher, of Hecla, on Long's farm. Wm. E. Shaffer moved to Millheim; John Kolmsie, of Walker, in the house vacated by Shaffers; Hiram Long from Adam Decker's farm to the new store building when finished. George Young, of Hecla, on the Adam Decker farm; Dan Kerns from the Martin farm on Will Decker's farm above Huhlersburg. Mr. McCloskey, of St. Paul, on the Martin farm. Simon Emeric moved out of the toll gate house to Snyderstown; John Dorman in the gate house.

Georges Valley.

Mr. Wise near Penns Caves is moving on the Reareck farm, where John Strunk now lives, and John Strunk to Pleasant Gap. Mr. Harter is moving on the Long farm, where Homer's now live, and Homer and Sonnes to Harter. Perry McCoy to housekeeping in Fleming. Frank Yearick, went to Mr. Furst's farm; Caleb's house. Herb Nyhart moved to Pennsylvania, Fred Tillman to the Sayer house, Will Rossman, of Zerby's tenant house to Lamar. Will Fisher, of Clintondale, in the Zerby house; Henry Bartholomew from Joe Long's farm, in what is known as the Mowry house, Ben Fisher, of Hecla, on Long's farm. Wm. E. Shaffer moved to Millheim; John Kolmsie, of Walker, in the house vacated by Shaffers; Hiram Long from Adam Decker's farm to the new store building when finished. George Young, of Hecla, on the Adam Decker farm; Dan Kerns from the Martin farm on Will Decker's farm above Huhlersburg. Mr. McCloskey, of St. Paul, on the Martin farm. Simon Emeric moved out of the toll gate house to Snyderstown; John Dorman in the gate house.

Harry Lingle's house, and Lingle is going to Elias Smith's farm where Howard Confer now lives. Howard Confer is going where Arthur Confer lives and Mr. Confer is going down near Beaver Dam on the Breon place, and James Gentzel is going to Union county. Mrs. Wm. Weaver, of Farmers Mills, and Union Confer are going where James Haines now live, and Haines will move to Spring Mill with Chas. Royers.

State College.

Charley Strom to Rev. Geo. Glenn's farm on Buffalo Run. John Wolf to Oak Grove; Geo. Jordan will farm his farm this season. Joe Meyers returned from the Smoky City and is snugly settled in John Rider's home. E. O. Heckman to the H. M. Snyder farm. Henry Bloom to the Ishler farm. T. M. Gates to Altoona. W. E. Stover to the Albert Hoy farm. W. E. Johnson to Wm. Musser's farm. Frank Lohr to Newton Hess farm. Wm. Beck to Mrs. Johnson's farm. Adam Smith to Mrs. Catharine Walker's house. Daniel Markle to Peter Meek's right bower. John Stine to the Samuel Musser farm. E. V. Koehler to the Potter farm. Pierce Geist to Jas. Oyer's farm. Geo. McWilliams to A. G. Ewing's farm. J. C. Bailey to Sam'l Garner's home at State College. J. A. Decker to Water street, in the mill house. H. H. Goss moved to Pine Grove. A. J. Tate will till the fertile acres of the Bottorf farm. Walter Weaver will occupy the house vacated by Tate. Ross Grove to the Major Ross farm. Reed Randolph to the St. Elmo hotel. J. O. Hoover to Wm. Musser's house which he bought. Ira Burwill to David Barr's house which he bought. A. S. Walker to the Henry Meyer farm at Fairbrook. Jas. Peters to the Sam'l McWilliams farm which he bought. Bob Fry to D. I. Johnson's house. I. A. Gates moves to Tyrone to retire from farm life.—Times Fiedler.

The following are the flittings of this place as reported up to date: Lewis Dennis moved into the property vacated by Frank Guiswite who moved into that vacated by Geo. Weaver; the latter moved into the Musser property at Aaronsburg; Wm. Wolf occupies his new store property and has taken steps to put up a new stable; Adam Winters moved on the property vacated by the last named and John Grenoble into that vacated by Winters; Wm. Smith went into the property vacated by Grenoble; Perry Smith into property vacated by his brother, and Fred Mason on property vacated by Smith; Geo. Vonada occupies the Dennis homestead; Jackson Sheesley moved on the Daniel Vonada homestead and "Rusty" Sheesley into the place vacated by his father.

Mingoville.

Wm. Carson to the Curtin farm vacated by his father. Cross from Clearfield, to the Gordon farm. Thomas Barner to the Garbrick farm in Nittany valley. Wright from the McCoy farm to Spring Twp. Harvey Corman to the Zimmerman Bros. farm. G. W. Young to the Adam Decker farm at Nittany. Dan Kerns to the Wm. Decker farm, at Huhlersburg. Irvin Yarnell from the John Decker farm to one in Clinton county. Wm. Decker, Jr., to his father's farm vacated by Yarnell. McCloskey from Bald Eagle to the farm vacated by Kerns. H. A. Long to the new building at Nittany. Joseph Hoover from Ben Kaufman's farm to N. H. Yearick's farm.

Houserville.

Charles Brown the blacksmith from here to the Irvin stand at Baileyville; Grant Coble to house vacated by Mr. Brown and Sam'l Hazel to where Coble lived. B. F. Hoy a retired farmer on Henry Thompson's farm moved to his place at the tips. Winfield Somers resigned his position with Samuel Wirtz to look after the College. John Dale, Jr., from his father's farm to Henry Thompson's house. Mrs. Elizabeth Confer has accepted a position as housekeeper with Sam'l Wirtz.

Smalton.

Herb Small to Hebersburg; G. A. Waite in the house vacated by Small. H. H. Stover bought and moved into the house Wm. vacated. Abraham Brindle bought and moved into the house vacated by Stover. Sam'l Faust, of Spring Bank, into H. K. Small's house. Sam'l Waite into Ella Bat's house. L. A. Miller from Smithstown into J. M. Winter's house. W. J. Bierly to Youngdale, Clinton county.

Houserville.

Benj. Hoy moved from the Thompson farm to his residence at the pike, while Chas. From takes the farm vacated by Mr. Hoy. Charles Brown moved to Baileyville and Grant Coble to E. M. Houser's house; Sam'l Hazel to the house vacated by Mr. Coble and Frank Mayes to the factory house. Winfield Somers is tired of town life and will move to the Dreibleis farm, near State College.

Linden Hall.

Elmer Houtz to Rebersburg; Jacob Young to the Houtz house; Berni, Cole into house vacated by Young; John McPherson into house vacated by Cole; John Diehl in the Hess property; Thos. Gramley on a farm near Altoona and John Lee of Tusseyville on the Kimpfort farm. Mr. Miller of Houserville on the Ripka farm; Mrs. Ed. Meyer from Centre Hall to house on Main street.

Renville.

John Slacker moved from Thomas Griffith's farm to Milesburg, and Griffith moved from Peru to house vacated by Slacker. Mr. Johnson moved from the Crider farm to Oak Grove and Daniel Boop to house vacated by Johnsonbaugh. George Dietz to Mill Hill and Lanning Irwin from Yarnell to house vacated by Dietz. John Crook moved to Butts station.

Tylersville.

Newton Walizer to Smulton where he is going to farm for Mr. Beck. Joe Bressler to his home. Oscar Herlocher on M. D. Rockey's farm. J. I. Shaffer on his own farm. John Grieb on Fanny Frantz's farm. Mrs. Katharine Shaffer to George Day. Augustus Strous down in the mountains where the foxes and the bears gave each other good bye.

Seber.

John Ligon moved out of the house of H. E. Zerby to Georges valley, in the house of Sam'l Irtle. Wm. Musser moved into the house of H. E. Zerby; Dick Keller moved to A. F. Zerby's where Musser was. O. Jamison moved close to Drum station on Mrs. Geo. Stover's farm; A. L. Auman moved on Sander's property.

Huhlersburg.

G. A. Ripka moved out of Wm. Decker's tenant house to Beech Creek. Irvin Yarnell off the John Decker farm to Beech Creek and Wm. Decker, Jr., of Irona, moved on. Wm. Decker quit farming and moved into his new house near the station and

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VALENTINE FURNACE

To Resume Operation Under A New Company

"NITTANY IRON COMPANY"

Repairs Rapidly Being Made—Strong Organization of Capital and Experience Now in Possession—More Business for Bellefonte.

Last week, as we were closing our forms to go to press, an order was received for the advertisement of a charter notice, for the new "Nittany Iron Company," which meant that the old Valentine plant would be put in operation, and that is what will take place without any doubt. Extensive repairs are necessary, but they will be made inside of two months at least, or by June 1st, and the fires will be started under more hopeful circumstances than ever. The facts in the case can be briefly told: About two years ago the Empire Iron Company ceased operating the plant, as their lease had almost expired and extensive repairs were needed. Since then financial difficulties have made the sale of the plant with all its ore right, etc., necessary and it was purchased at sheriff sale by the Commonwealth Trust Co. of Harrisburg for \$86,000. A property that originally cost over \$100,000.

J. Wesley Gephart, superintendent of the C. R. R. of Pa., and president of the Bellefonte Furnace Co. (known as the Collins furnace,) and who formerly was superintendent of the Valentine Furnace became interested in the plant. He has an abiding faith in the resources of Bellefonte for the manufacture of iron and at once set to work interesting iron men in the plant and he succeeded. The new company, consisting of J. W. Gephart, L. T. Muson and Frank H. Clemson, of this place, and Archer Brown and William Sampson, of Rogers, Brown & Company, was formed and purchased the plant of the Valentine Iron Company, including furnace, rolling mill, four ore mines and thousands of acres of ore lands and rights. The price paid was \$90,000.

The organization is as follows: President, J. W. Gephart; Vice-president, Frank H. Clemson; Treasurer, William Sampson. The offices of the operating department will be at Bellefonte, while the sales department and treasurer will be located at 71 Broadway, N. Y. The "Nittany Iron Company" and the "Bellefonte Furnace Company" are two entirely different organizations and interests, and Mr. Gephart will be the only person identified with both.

The supply of ore for the new company will be obtained principally from Nigh and Taylor banks in Nittany valley, and additional supplies will come from Scotia, lake ore and some fossil ore from Snyder county. The Nittany valley ore banks will resume at once and be operated as long as productive. The ore mining will be under the supervision of Mr. Clemson who expects to move from Scotia to Bellefonte and will divide his time superintending the mining of ore in Nittany valley and Scotia; having served in that capacity for years at the latter place, his experience makes him a valuable man to the new company.

For several years, while this plant was under the direction of Robert Valentine, the price of iron for a long time lingered at panic prices as low as \$8.50 per ton and most of the time not above \$11 and \$12. To day the same quality of iron is quoted at \$20 and \$21. Authorities on iron declare that the demand during the coming year will break all records. At this time the output can not keep the market supplied and large contracts have been given for the importation of 300,000 tons from England during the coming year. These are facts and show the iron business to be in better condition than for many years. With the large contracts ahead this is not a sudden flurry but considered a substantial market and implies that after June 1st the new "Nittany Iron Company" will find a good market for years to come for their product.

That means more business for Bellefonte, as more money will be put in circulation, everybody profiting thereby.

As the organization of this new company is due solely to the business insight and persistent efforts of one man, last Saturday evening when Mr. Gephart returned from New York City he was tendered a public reception by the citizens of Bellefonte. When he stepped from the train a large assemblage greeted him. He was escorted to the awaiting carriage and led by the Coleville band, the procession and crowd proceeded to his home on Linn street. Burgess Blanchard and Hon. John G. Love made appropriate addresses assuring Mr. Gephart that his efforts were appreciated by the public, to which he responded in some appropriate and thoughtful remarks.

A popular count—discount.

FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright Sparkling Paragraphs—Selected and Original.

It isn't always the polished people who cast reflections.

In matrimony the minister is a good one to the two.

The kind of courage that is screwed up with the aid of a corkscrew doesn't amount to much.

One who predicts thunder storms isn't necessarily a lightning calculator.

Senator Hoar received word the other day that a friend who had been supposed to have appendicitis was suffering not from that ailment, but from acute indigestion. "That is good news," said the Senator; "I rejoice that the trouble lies in the table of contents rather than in the appendix."

An Arkansas man once wrote to inquire the price of a saw mill that would saw all various ways that he wanted it to saw. When he learned by return mail that such a mill would cost him \$1,600, he replied by postal card: "If a man had \$1,600, what in the thunder would he want with a saw mill?"

General Grant was once attracted by a horse driven by a butcher, and he purchased the animal for \$500. A few days later, he invited Senator Conkling to a drive behind the new horse. The Senator criticized the animal, and said: "I think I should prefer the \$500 to the horse." "That's what the butcher thought," replied General Grant.

Torture an Aged Hermit.

Three masked burglars forced an entrance to the residence of John Holstein, an aged German cobbler, living at Barnham, Mifflin county, night of 2nd, and demanded his money at the muzzle of revolvers. Holstein handed them \$3.50, all the money he had.

The robbers became angry, and one of them took a large clasp knife from his pocket, drew it across Holstein's throat, cutting the skin, and swore if he did not reveal the hiding place of his money; he had given them all the money he had, whereupon they kicked and beat him into unconsciousness, in which condition he remained until found by neighbors. Two of his ribs were broken.

Holstein, who is 60 years of age, has lived a sort of hermit existence since the death of his wife seven years ago, and the report has become current that he had amassed considerable money.

Burglars at Beech Creek.

The store of Enoch H. Hasting, near the N. Y. C. Station, was entered by burglars prying open the front door Thursday night and a considerable amount of merchandise taken. The thieves took cigars, tobacco, canned goods, pocket knives, hunting knives, two revolvers and other articles. A glass case filled with fine fishing tackle was carried down the railroad a quarter of a mile, broken and much of the contents taken. The loss is estimated at about \$30. A gang of five men, well dressed, who were loitering about town Thursday, are believed to have done the robbing. They are blamed with the robbery of Kane's store in Eagleville Tuesday night.—Lock Haven Express.

Brant House Closed.

Last week Morris Yeager, who for several years conducted the Brant House, at this place, suddenly left town to escape creditors and financial difficulties. The personal property was levied upon and will be sold today by Constable H. Montgomery. It is estimated that his liabilities will aggregate over \$1000 and many will be left unsecured.

Application has been made for the transfer of the liquor license to Geo. Doll, the groceryman, of this place, who is likely to be the new landlord.

Railroaders Have Redress.

Attorney General Elkin Thursday rendered an opinion to the effect that, under the act of 1887, relating to the assignment of claims, if the West Virginia claim agency presses the writs of the attachment of wages against railroaders, and compels the railroad companies to pay the debt, the railroaders may proceed against the merchants or other creditors making assignment of the claims, and, under the law recover from them as a penalty the full amount of debt, interest and costs so collected.

Fire Insurance.

The directors of the Farmers' Mut. Fire Ins. Co. held their quarterly meeting at Centre Hall, on Tuesday. New applications and renewals to amount of \$117,864 were accepted. Premiums \$9,596, and cash premiums paid in to amount of \$483 75. The loss of Dr. Dale, \$175 for tenant house at Lemont was allowed and paid. The loss of Wm. Miller, on stock in his buggy shop at Lemont, \$175 was allowed and paid. Several other smaller losses were adjusted and paid.