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EDITORIAL.

BELLEFONTE has half dozen applicants for postmaster--yet there is no announcement of a contemplated removal or change. When Hanna says "let well enough alone" we suppose his followers think that is only to be applied against democrats.

If it is his "surplus" that the American manufacturer is selling abroad at "cost," which means for 35 per cent less than in America, the American consumer would like to have him change about and sell to him at cost while he makes his profit off of the foreigner.

THE real difference between the parties now is, the democrats favor the interests of the masses, while the republican party is bossed by the trusts and is being run in the interests of the bloated millionaires at the expense of the farmers and laboring classes. That is the situation in a nut shell and it cannot be successfully refuted.

THE republicans are claiming "that the friends of the tariff should be entrusted with a modification of the same." This is an admission that the tariff is working injustice to the people. But as the trusts are owning and running the republican party and are the stubborn "friends of the tariff" it is plain that the tariff will not be modified no matter how great the wrong suffered by the people.

A. J. DAVIS, who was principal of the Clarion Normal school at the time the appropriation of \$27,000 was passed, has made affidavit that Senator Neely told him that the \$2,750 "rake-off" was supposed to go to ex-Senator James G. Mitchell, of Jefferson county, secretary of the Senate Committee on Appropriations; and to Ward R. Bliss, of Delaware county, chairman of the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives.

An act passed by the general assembly, and approved by the governor on July 5, 1901, provides that any person who shall transplant any fruit, shade or forest tree of suitable size along the highway on his premises shall be allowed one dollar in abatement of his road taxes for every two trees. The same allowance shall be made for trees transplanted in place of those that may have died, and also for those that may be growing by the roadside through cultivated lands. The abatement in no case, however, is to be more than one-fourth of a person's annual road tax. The law further provides that any person who shall cut down, kill or injure any living tree planted or growing naturally, or who neglects or carelessly suffers any animal to be driven so as to injure any such tree, shall be subject to a fine of not less than one dollar or more than five dollars for every tree injured, such fines to go to the road fund of the township in which the offense is committed.

If anything is wanting to convince a sceptic of the debauchery and corruption of men, we take one sample--the last Legislature of Pennsylvania. To it were elected some men on plain pledges, men who were poor financially. These men sold themselves for sums of money up to ten thousand dollars and over, to vote for a corruptionist for United States Senator, and for measures that rob the people of Pennsylvania of millions of dollars, for the benefit of monopolists and millionaires. The simple proof that there were such corrupt members of the senate and house, is the fact that some of these traitors to their pledges have since bought farms and fine houses and made other valuable purchases and investments. But, Pennypacker says, "Pennsylvania has no ill worth of mention." In the opinion of Quay's cousin, corruption, venality, debauchery, bribery, ballot box stuffing, false registration to cheat the masses out of their rights at the polls, and ripper bills, are no ill, and if he is elected governor these crimes can be repeated and he will sanction a repetition as being "no ill." No other explanation of Pennypacker's "no ill" saying, can be given. Shame!

A VOICE FROM GREGG TOWNSHIP.

Our present member of the Legislature, W. M. Allison, told numerous of his friends that during the session of the last Legislature bribery and corruption ran rampant, that a member need only to hold his hands behind his back and they would be filled. A delegate at the late republican convention remarked, that he pitied Allison, as he made nothing out of being a member of the Legislature. This delegate represented Gregg township at the convention and is a typical Quayite. Mr. Allison didn't train with the gang, his vote was always on the other side; he has a clean, honest record. He was rewarded for his honesty, by being left off the ticket.

How will it be with the harmony candidate, the everlasting office seeker, will he march to the tune "they tied my hands behind my back?" He endorsed the corrupt legislation that was passed, and commented on Mr. Allison's course as unrepugnant. We will stand by our neighbor, and will speak in tones that cannot be misunderstood.

GREGG TWP. REPUBLICAN.

DRUNKENNESS AT COURT.

Not in our recollection has there been such a disorderly lot of people in attendance at court as the past week. Every day, since Monday, blear-eyed, besotted, maudlin, staggering, jeering crowds have hung about the Court House, crowded the hallways and steps. Their appearance and conduct was disgusting and revolting, and a disgrace to the county and a reflection on our session of court. As men are summoned here by the authority of our court and paid usually from the county treasury to attend these proceedings we believe that the court has some jurisdiction over them until they are discharged, and that they should be held accountable for such disgraceful actions. His Honor, Judge Love, sitting on the Bench, is hardly aware of these scenes, as they do not come under his observation. Too many men come to court to have a good time--get on a drunken spree--the time is here to teach such a lesson.

WHERE THE GREAT WEALTH IS.

The paltriness of individual wealth, though it be the wealth of the "millionaire," appears strikingly when we compare it with the majestic volume of the aggregate wealth.

A Census Bulletin lately issued, giving a summary of the agricultural statistics of the United States, enumerates the farms of this country on the first of June, 1900, at 5,738,657, of an aggregate acreage of 841,201,546 acres.

Now read these statistics as to the value of the farms and their products:

Table with 3 columns: Item, 1890, 1900. Rows include Number of farms, Total acreage, Value farm prop'ty, Implements and live stock, Value farm prod's.

In 1899, the percentage of "gross income on investment" in agriculture, for the whole United States, was 18.3 per cent.

ROBT. E. PATTISON COMING.

That announcement is sufficient to arouse attention and attract a large audience. We have been reliably informed that ex-Gov. Robt. E. Pattison, democratic nominee for Governor of this state, has accepted an invitation to attend the Grange Exhibition at Centre Hall, Thursday, September 18th, where he will have a splendid opportunity to meet the people and discuss the important issues of the campaign with them. Gov. Pattison is an able and convincing speaker and we urge all who possibly can to attend the Grange Picnic on that date. Remember the time, Thursday, September 18th. There likely will be other men of prominence present who will be worth hearing. More definite information will be given in a later issue.

NO CANDIDATE FOR CORONER.

At the last meeting of the Democratic County Convention, by an oversight, no one was nominated for the office of Coroner. The county committee was reconvened for that purpose on Monday, but after consulting the rules of the party it was found that there was no authority for such action and if assented to at this time might occasion difficulties in the future by an irregular precedent. The former county convention will be reconvened during the meeting of the Centre County Fair for that purpose.

The republicans made a nomination for coroner at their county convention.

Last year the manufacturers of agricultural implements exported over \$16,000,000 worth of implements to foreign countries. As far back as fifteen years ago a prominent harvesting machine manufacturer acknowledged that he sold his machines cheaper in England than he did here. Are the American farmers willing that after they have given these infant industries the protection, and helped them to their feet, that they shall now prove ingrates and sell to foreigners at lower figures than to their real benefactors? A protective tariff holds the farmer up while the manufacturer fixes his price. Chairman Babcock of the Republican Campaign Committee once endorsed this view and said it was a fact. Is it not then about time that the farmers were looking to their own interests in the matter?

VARIETY OF LOCAL NEWS

Gathered from Centre and Adjoining Counties.

SHORT AND TO THE POINT

Events that Have Transpired Recently and Worthy of Mention--Items of Interest for All--Doing of Neighbors

OVER THE COUNTY.

No early frosts setting in, the corn crop will be a large one.

Lucy A. Kline has been appointed postmaster at Oak Hall station.

Edward R. Robb, of Romola, was appointed, Aug. 19, to be postmaster at that place.

Thunder gusts, while not as frequent as in July, still keep coming with short intervals.

A freight wreck on the Bald Eagle Valley railroad near Howard, Monday, delayed traffic two hours.

Prof. J. Q. Adams, of State College, has been elected an instructor at Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster.

The Sunday school of Emanuel's church, at Tusseyville, will hold a picnic next Saturday, on Zion Hill.

The State College band will furnish music at the soldiers' picnic, at Hecla Park, Sept. 6

Last week one day, W. A. Tobias, George Ulrich and J. H. Reifsnnyder viewed and located a new road at Smiltown.

Rev. R. M. Campbell, of Port Royal, has accepted a call from the Spruce Creek Presbyterian charge and is moving there this week.

A valuable horse belonging to Samuel Hoshand, of Unionville, dropped dead Monday while standing tied in front of Greist's store at Unionville.

There will be a festival on school house grounds at Blanchard, Saturday evening, Aug. 30th, to raise money to place a fence around the burial grounds.

Christian Buck, of Unionville, has just finished harvesting 190 bushels of oats from 3 acres of land. This is over 60 bushels to an acre. Can anyone beat that?

The U. Ev. bush meeting held at the end of Egg Hill, above Spring Mills, was largely attended on Sunday. The meeting began on Friday and closed on Sunday evening.

J. M. McDowell, formerly chemist in the experiment station of State College, has accepted a position as traveling salesman for a company with headquarters in Philadelphia.

R. D. Wilson removed to Lewisburg from Howard, last week, with his family. Mr. Wilson is an expert butter maker, and will take charge of the creamery near the fair grounds.

News was received by friends, stating that Mrs. Malinda Bower, wife of D. O. Bower, died on Tuesday, at York, Pa. She was a native of Aaronburg, and a daughter of Daniel Long, dec'd.

On Wednesday morning while working at the heating furnace at the tool works below Howard, the fire came out at the door and burned George Bechdel about the breast, face and head.

Alpha Fire Company, of State College, at a meeting held Aug 14th, instructed a committee to buy them a \$400 lot, situated on High street, also on the alley parallel to College avenue.

It is estimated that 1,000 bushels of berries of all kinds have been picked in Sugar valley this year, including huckleberries. Many families make from \$50 to \$125 each season. The average quantity gathered by a picker in a day is 25 quarts.

On Tuesday morning while working at the Jenkins Iron and Tool Works at Howard, Jesse Lucas met with an accident. While handling 300 pound fagots one of them dropped on his foot cutting it pretty badly, which will prevent him from working for the next few weeks.

Mary Peltz, a 4-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Woods Bathgate, of Altoona, died at the home of its grandmother, Mrs. J. C. Bathgate, at Lemont, Tuesday 19th, of indigestion. The funeral took place last Thursday. Interment at Slab Cabin cemetery. Rev. Hepler officiated.

The engagement of Dr. Mary Irvin Thompson to Dr. O. H. Shaffer has been announced. Dr. Thompson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John I. Thompson, of Lemont, and has been practicing her profession at Altoona for several years. Dr. Shaffer is also a prominent physician of the Mountain City.

S. H. Shaffer, of Zion, was in town the other day, and informs us that the pumpkin crop will be immense, and the sizes of the vegetable unusually large too. This is good news for the lovers of pumpkin pie, and all of us have a weakness in that direction. Who will report to the Democrat the biggest pumpkin?

The Order of United American Mechanics, of Milesburg, are making preparations for a big reunion and festival at Milesburg next Saturday all day and evening. Bands will be present and a fantastic parade will take place. Geo. S. Sides, state counselor, and Walter Graham, state secretary, will deliver addresses in the evening. A large attendance and a general good time is expected.

The jury appointed by the court, consisting of H. B. Herring, of Gregg township; P. O. Hosterman, of Millheim; R. D. Bierly, of Miles township; A. P. Zerby, of Penn township, and John C. Stover, of Haines township, to view and assess the damages, if any, in the case of the Millheim and Coburn turnpike company vs. The Citizens Water company, of Coburn, performed their duty on Monday. They awarded the turnpike company \$75 damages.

There are several cases of typhoid fever in the vicinity of Spring Mills. One of the patients is Miss Maggie, daughter of Squire John Grenoble, whose condition the beginning of this week was critical. In the family of Francis Gramley there are three cases of the same disease. One of these is John Gramley, a son of Francis; another afflicted is a daughter. The third is Mrs. McMuttery, who makes her home with the Gramleys.

Last Thursday while Mrs. Nicodemus Loose, of Haines township, was milking, the cattle in the barnyard began fighting. She was knocked over and trampled upon resulting in serious injuries. When rescued she was unconscious. Her injuries were a broken arm near the elbow, leg injured and bruises over the body. Mr. Loose informs us that he will move from the Adam Weaver farm, two miles west of Woodward, to the Barney Wagner farm near Centre Hill, next April. Mr. Loose moved to this farm with his parents when he was but 13 days old and remained there continuously for 53 years to the present time--a long time indeed.

We have been informed that parties supposed to be from this vicinity have been fishing in Bald Eagle creek by the use of dynamite, killing bass and other fish, big and little--bass being the object. There is a heavy penalty against using dynamite to capture fish and sometime there will be a prosecution, and the Judge will undoubtedly give the offenders the full extent of the law when brought before him. A boy is said to have witnessed this nefarious work but did not comprehend its meaning. Fish that bore every evidence of having been obtained by dynamite were said to have been seen in the possession of some parties, and, we believe, offered such base for sale.

IN ADJOINING COUNTIES.

The business men of Mill Hill are agitating the project of establishing a National bank at that place.

J. Edward May, a former resident of Altoona, died Wednesday in the Cooper hospital, at Camden, N. J., where he resided, of hydrophobia.

Five new cases of small-pox have been discovered in Morrellville, a suburb of Johnstown, and now the dogs and cats which run at large in the infected district are to be killed. They are blamed for being the cause of the disease spreading.

Mrs. Jennie Hale has instituted proceedings for \$30,000 damages against the New York Central railroad company for the death of her husband, who died from injuries received while repairing cars in the Jersey Shore Junction yards last August.

The Lycoming county fair will be held at Williamsport September 2, 3, 4 and 5. It promises to be a good one, especially as regards horse races. The association offers purses aggregating \$4,800. Another feature will be "Oliver W." the racing ostrich.

The news from the oil well on the William Gummo farm is highly encouraging. The last measurement made showed the well to be 207 feet deep and it is thought that the depth is over 2100 feet. It is confidently expected that oil will be found at about 200 feet.

Frank Harder, the expert safe opener, was called to Loganston to examine the lock on the safe of the Sugar Valley Insurance company, which had refused to work properly. In less than 30 minutes Mr. Harder had the cranky lock working satisfactorily and the safe open.

The coming term of criminal court in Northumberland county promises to be one of the longest sessions ever held in the county. There will be about five hundred criminal cases for trial including a murder, without which a session in that county would be void of interest.

John McDowell, one of the best known farmer citizens of Millifin county, was found dead in his bed on Saturday morning 16th, at his home near Milroy. He was going about on the preceding day, apparently in his usual health and his death was no doubt due to a sudden stroke of apoplexy.

Edward Cox, a woodsman, aged 55 was found Friday drowned in Sandy Lick creek, Clearfield county, in water only 18 inches deep. Cox deliberately took his own life. His body lay face downward in the middle of the stream, which is about 25 feet wide. His coat and vest, hat, collar and tie and shoes lay on the bank of the creek.

Postmaster U. S. Boyer, of Clarkstown, Lycoming county, Thursday left his 8 year old son Chester on the mower in the hay field, while he went to an adjoining field. When he returned he found his boy screaming, with both feet severed at the ankle, they having been cut off by the knives of the mower. The legs were amputated near the knee, but the child's condition is very critical.

During the summer forty prisoners have taken leave of the Perry county jail authorities, and it has not been in the manner prescribed by law. They have literally flown, in the phraseology of their kind, they have "flewed the coop." Henry Smith, charged with grand larceny, was the fortieth man to escape. He departed suddenly Friday and the authorities know not where he has gone. The new jail is now ready for occupancy.

The Lycoming fair this year, which will be held on Sept. 2, 3, 4 and 5, promises to be one of the best ever held in the city since the organization of the association. The association offers \$4,800 in purses. One of the features of the fair, and which will prove a big drawing card, will be "Oliver W." the racing ostrich. This bird is a wonder, and hitched to a vehicle he will "go" in races with fast horses.

George Strobert, of Sugarvalley, related recently a snake story that is out of the ordinary in that line. The special says during berry season Mr. Strobert devotes his entire time to the gathering and selling of berries. This year both berries and snakes were particularly plenty. Strobert says he has killed this summer, and up to date shows the following: One hundred and twenty-five rattlers, six of them having thirty two rattles; twenty-five blacksnakes, seven of them six feet long; two copperheads. He also killed a score of groundhogs, and saw five deer. Strobert offers to make affidavit to the truthfulness of his story.

As Thomas A. Long, of Leeland, was on his way home from Houtzdale in a buggy on Tuesday night, two men met him and asked if they could ride along. Mr. Long was kind enough to take them in, and when they came near Kendrick, something happened, and what that was Mr. Long is unable to say, but he became unconscious, and about 4 o'clock awoke, lying near where the horse was hitched to a tree. Strange as it may seem the horse did not tramp on him. He was lying so near that it was a miracle he was not injured. He had with him about \$20 in cash, which was missing, but the robbers did not take his watch or ring, as both had private marks on them. They did, however, take his pocket knife. He was quite ill from the effects of drugs or whatever was used to make him unconscious.

Com. vs. Emanuel Beightol and Martha Albright indicted for adultery; prosecutor Richard Fink. This case is from Taylor twp., and the defendants were charged with having illicit intercourse with one another at different times during the present year, both being married people and the wife and husband being alive. The testimony is of a vile character and not fit to be published. Verdict of not guilty, but pay one-third of the costs and the prosecutor two-thirds of the costs.

Com. vs. Richard Fink, indicted for fornication; a presentment by the grand jury. This case is from Taylor twp., and the defendant pled guilty to the charge and was sentenced to pay costs of prosecution and a fine of ten dollars.

Com. vs. Jno. S. Bathurst, indicted for cruelty to domestic animals; prosecutrix Nancy J. Leathers. This case is from Howard twp.; and it appears that on July 29, of the present year, a sow belonging to the prosecutrix was on the premises of the defendant and as the defendant alleges rooting out his potatoes, and he shot one shot at her and one to scare her out and that she did then run out. The defendant further alleging that the sow was breachi and that she had come through the fence and that prosecutrix had been notified of the damage this animal was doing. The animal was found in the lane leading to the premises on the 31st day of July and according to the prosecution had fifty-one marks. It appears that the animal had not been seen from the evening of July 29 until found on the 31st, and it appears it was on its way home when it died, but was not there on the 30th of July, and at the time of the shot there was no sign given by the animal that it was hit. Verdict on Thursday morning.

AUGUST COURT PROCEEDINGS

This is the libel suit against the Millheim Journal. Mill ignored and the prosecutor to pay the costs.

Com. vs. Enoch Hugg and Com. vs. Mary McKinley, two cases and indictment in both cases adultery, and prosecutor W. B. Miles. The cases are from Milesburg, and both of the defendants are married people. The defendants ruled the Commonwealth for a bill of particulars and bills were accordingly filed, fixing July 22, and Aug. 6 and 7 of the present year, the Commonwealth alleging illicit intercourse between Mr. Hugg and Mrs. McKinley and the defendants denying it. Verdict on Wednesday afternoon of not guilty and the defendants to pay three-fourths of the costs and the county to pay one-fourth of the costs.

Com. vs. Martha McKinley, indicted first count open lewdness, second count fornication; prosecutrix Carrie Shield. This case is from Milesburg and the testimony is of a character that is improper for publication. Verdict on Wednesday afternoon of guilty on the second count. Sentenced to pay costs of prosecution and one dollar fine.

Wednesday afternoon thirty accounts filed with the Register were read in open court and confirmed nisi by the court, and will be confirmed absolutely within four days, unless exceptions be filed to same or anyone of the accounts.

The grand jury made their final report at this time, which is as follows:

REPORT OF THE GRAND JURY. The Grand Inquest inquiring in and for the County of Centre, in all matters relating to the same at August Sessions, 1902: That they have acted upon twenty-three bills of indictment of which eighteen were found true bills and five were ignored.

We beg leave further to report that we have visited and inspected the County buildings and find all in splendid condition, everything being kept clean and in good sanitary condition.

And further report that inasmuch as the law library in the Court House near the Court room is very necessary for the transaction of business and as there is

now no room suitable for that purpose we respectfully recommend that the present Grand Jury Room be set apart and equipped specially for a Law Library, and that the present Arbitration Room and the room adjoining be fitted up for the use of the Grand Jury and witnesses attending that body.

We further recommend that the water closets connected with the Court Room be enlarged, changed and remodelled so as to accommodate all persons attending Court, especially ladies for which there is now no provision.

Your body further recommends that a stairway be made from the lower floor to the upper room which stair-way ought to open in the rear of the Judges Bench and which shall be private.

We respectfully tender our thanks to the Honorable Judge and District Attorney for their courtesy and assistance rendered us during our deliberations. JAMES HARPER, Foreman. Dated Bellefonte, Pa., August 27th, 1902.

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The Beckwith homicide case goes to trial this Thursday morning.

Boy Cured of Colic After Physician's Treatment Has Failed.

My boy when four years old was taken with colic and cramps in his stomach. I sent for the doctor and he injected morphine, but the child kept getting worse. I then gave him half a teaspoonful of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy, and in half an hour he was sleeping and soon recovered. - F. L. WILKINS, Shell Lake, Wis. Mr. Wilkins is book-keeper for the Shell Lake Lumber Co. For sale by Green's Pharmacy.

Two Snake Stories. A black snake, killed, by Charles Shaffer, at Turkey Hill, near Bloomsburg, measured five feet six inches. Noticing that the reptile made no attempt to escape, he examined it closely and found the end of another snake's tail projecting from the mouth of the one he had killed. Pulling it out he found it to be a live black snake, measuring four feet two inches.

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