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EDITORIAL.

BURGESS WALKER, that sounds quite well.

Good reading: beginning of chapter 5, Acts of Apostles, New Testament.

THE election of J. Kennedy Johnson tax collector, was a good act. He is a clever and obliging fellow and will appreciate it very much.

FROM the result of the election in Bellefonte, on Tuesday, it looks as though the Ministerial Association had been reversing the order of political events. If they didn't do it, who did?

PRACTICALLY the entire commercial wealth of India's 300,000,000 inhabitants is in the hands of 90,000 Parsees and rajahs. We are making rapid strides in the same direction in the United States.

ACCORDING to the Lock Haven Times Wayne township in Clinton county, got into a singular fix—that township used a blank ballot on Tuesday, the nominations having been received at the commissioner's office too late to go on the ticket. The voters were compelled to write the names of the candidates they wished to vote for on the ballot.

THERE are forty-four applications for liquor license this year which at the price paid others, would have amounted to \$44 for advertising. That amount would have been contributed to our hospital fund had Mr. Gardner been only fair, or have kept his word. The hospital will not get the money, but we presume when Mr. Gardner subscribes to that charitable fund it will be more than \$50. We shall see.

THERE was much noiseless electioneering in town for the borough offices, the week preceding Tuesday's election, but was all on the quiet, very little above a whisper and not the usual "here's wishing you success" at the bars. There is nothing uncommendable in decent electioneering, but the hog methods that had taken deep root, and the hoodlums "stimulants," were a blot upon politics, which, when properly conducted, is honorable and a duty that no good citizen should neglect. Let Centre county set a good example.

ANNUAL STATEMENT.

This week, after considerable delay, we are able to furnish our readers with a copy of the "annual statement" of the receipts and expenditures of Centre county for the past year, 1902, the last year of the recent democratic board. We believe all expenditures were made with care and in the interest of the tax payers, and that public interests were always jealously guarded. The principal showing is that the assets in excess of liabilities amounts to over \$25,000.00. This is a compliment to Messrs. Daniel Heckman and Philip Meyer, the former democratic board.

The present Republican board have generously allowed us 2900 statements to distribute among our 3400 readers. How to do this without slighting any one, is an impossibility. If you don't get a statement in your Centre Democrat this week it is not our fault. The Commissioners keep an extra supply on hand and if you call at that office or telephone them we believe they will supply you with one.

Farmer Bound and Gagged.
Benvenue Mensch, a bachelor farmer living about a half mile from Millfinburg, Union county, was bound and gagged by five men on Thursday night 12th. Mensch had been to the farm and returning to his house he found the doors locked. Forcing his way into the house he was demanded his money. He told the robbers that he keeps his funds in bank but they refused to believe him.
A fearful struggle ensued. Mensch was bound and gagged, carried up stairs and tied to a bed with a rope. The robbers searched the place but secured only fifty cents which they took from Mensch's trousers. The intruders made their escape by a horse and buggy taken from the barn.
Mensch was beaten about the head and may die from his injuries. He was released in the morning by neighbors who found him in an exhausted condition.

Quite Natural.
There are few weak children who are not benefited at once by Scott's Emulsion. There is something about the remedy which takes hold on children in a natural way and brings surprising results.

ADJOINING COUNTIES.

Hon. Alex Patton recently took his wife to a Philadelphia hospital for treatment. Her condition is reported favorable.

Burnham, near Lewistown, is having a building boom, it is the seat of the steel works. Quite a number of Penns valley families have moved to Burnham, also single men, where employment has been obtained.

The county commissioners awarded a contract to the King Bridge company for furnishing the 80 foot span steel bridge at the Creighton farm in Lamar township. The bridge is to be delivered on the ground by August 1st.

Constable Jacob S. Hoffman, of Perry county, some time ago lost two of his turkeys. A few days ago he found them in a box in his barn where they had fallen. One of them was dead but the other survives and is getting all right, after being in the box without food or water for forty-two days.

The Italian laborers, who were arrested on the charge of being concerned in the cutting affray at the Salona stone quarry on Monday were given a hearing at Lock Haven. Two of the men were held in \$1000 bail for court and the others in \$500 bail.

George W. Metzgar, a respected citizen of Altoona, died suddenly at 4:35 o'clock on morning of 11, at the Pennsylvania Railroad company's passenger station in Altoona, while waiting for the Harrisburg accommodation. He had intended going to Middleburg to attend the wedding of his son, Samuel W. Metzgar.

On Tuesday while Tomas Wertz was chopping wood at his home near Lewistown with a double-bitted axe, in making a stroke the axe caught on a clothes line and struck Mr. Wertz on the top of the head. The blade had been newly sharpened and he received a bad wound, the axe nearly penetrating the brain. It is thought he will recover without an operation.

Superintendent H. W. Renfrew of the Altoona hospital has on file the applications of fifty five young ladies from all parts of Pennsylvania, who desire to enter the training school for nurses. Almost half of the requests are from Altoona. As the hospital nursing staff is now as large as needed, it will be enlarged only upon the completion of the proposed annex to the hospital.

Bishop Stephen M. Meril, D. D., L. L. D., of Chicago will preside at the Central Pennsylvania conference at Altoona on March 25. The conference promises to be full of interest, enthusiasm and spiritual vitality. Last year at Bellefonte there were 273 names on the conference roll, 20 absentees, six deceased and one transferred, thus making the total number present 246.

Lewistown Sentinel, 11: Quite an excitement was created here one day last week when two women, both married, came to this place in company with a married man and drove through to Millroy. It seems that the husband of the former being apprised of these facts followed the trio to this place and waited until they returned, when a lively combat took place in the vicinity of the railroad station, the younger woman thrashing her husband so severely that it was found necessary to separate them. Arrests have been made and a hearing took place on Monday evening.

Railroad Company held Responsible.
The Coroner's jury appointed to fix the blame for the accident by which Mrs. Charles Kline lost her life in the accident to the omnibus at the railroad at Lewistown on 2nd, decided after preliminaries that "this is a railroad crossing of four tracks and about 100 feet in width over a public highway, that there was no watchman there, that the view approaching said crossing was obstructed on both sides by railroad cars standing on said track, that the accident and death could have been avoided had there been a gate and watchman at said crossing, and therefore we find the said Railroad company guilty of gross negligence in not providing protection for the lives of the public at this dangerous crossing."

Organizing a Water Company.
A number of the citizens, of Millheim, met in the office of D. L. Zerby, Esq., for the purpose of taking steps toward organizing a water company to furnish water to the town. Prof. C. R. Neff was made chairman and P. H. Musser secretary. The chairman appointed the following committee to secure the charter members, viz: D. L. Zerby, F. O. Hosterman, J. Spigelmyer, Jonathan Harter and A. J. Gephart. The stock was fixed at ten dollars per share.
Another meeting is to be held at the same place this Thursday evening to which all citizens are invited to attend.—Journal.

W. C. T. U. Star Course.
The following is the list of entertainments, comprising the Star Course, to be given in Petriken Hall, under the direction of the W. C. T. U. this season:
Patricolo Co., Concert, Feb. 24
Cott Novelty Co., Mar. 3
Course Tickets, \$1.25; single admission, 50 cents; reserved seats 15 cents.

—Mrs. Maggie Daley, a seamstress living in Krider's Exchange, ill for some time, her condition this morning is quite serious.

RECENT DEATHS.

CHARLES G. WELSH:—a former citizen of Bellefonte, died at Seattle last week. Mr. Welsh was the son of George Welsh at one time proprietor of the Bellefonte foundry.

MRS. CROUSE:—died at her home at Smulton, on Sunday night, aged about 60 years. Surviving her are Mrs. Adam Brungart, Mrs. Clate Brungart, Mrs. Newt Weber, Mrs. Scott Waliser, and a son George Crouse.

MRS. GEORGE W. LYON:—died at her residence in Tyrone on Sunday morning after a lingering illness, her age being 69 years. The deceased is survived by one son, John Porter Lyon, of Harrisburg. Interment at Alexandria, Tuesday.

HON. JOHN W. SIMONTON:—judge of the courts of Dauphin county, died Thursday morning 12th at his residence in Harrisburg, aged 72 years, the cause of his death being an acute attack of "grip," aggravated by a complication of diseases.

POLLY SWARTZ:—Wife of Daniel Swartz, died Saturday at her home, two miles south of Loganton, aged 35 years. Mrs. Swartz had been ill with consumption for about a year. She leaves her husband and one child to mourn her loss.

MRS. HANNAH MILLER:—wife of Charles B. Miller died at Rock Springs on Saturday, aged 70 years. Mrs. Miller whose maiden name was Gate, belonged to the oldest family in Ferguson. Interment at Gatesburg, Tuesday morning.

AMMON BIERLY:—son of Rev. A. S. Bierly, died Wednesday morning, 11, at the home of his parents at Green Burr, Sugar valley, after a lingering illness, aged 19 years and six months. The funeral was held on Friday afternoon, conducted in the Evangelical church at Booneville.

Mrs. EDWARD BROWN, SR.:—Died at her home Friday afternoon of asthma. Deceased was born in Dublin, Ireland, and was 75 years of age. When quite young she came to this country, her folks settling in Bellefonte, where, in November, 1852, she was married to Edward Brown. She is survived by her husband and one son, Edward Brown, Jr. One son, Arthur, died about ten years ago. Funeral took place Monday morning. Interment in the Catholic cemetery.

RUBEN GRAMLEY:—an aged and respected citizen of Rebersburg, died on Friday, 6th. Mr. Gramley was a son of Philip and Barbara Gramley and was born December 7, 1830, making his age at the time of his death 72 years, 1 month and 29 days. He was married December 18, 1856, to Miss Anna Wolfe by the Rev. D. S. Tobias, and leaves a widow and three children, viz: Clark Gramley, of Rebersburg; Mrs. Luther Guisewite, of Harrisburg, and Mrs. George Ocker, of Lewisburg, to survive him. Funeral services were held 9th, conducted by his pastor, Rev. C. B. Harmon. Interment in the Union cemetery.

GEORGE C. ZETTEL:—Died at his home near Shiloh church, Friday afternoon, of infirmities of old age. He was born in Penns valley and was 88 years of age. He was held in high esteem in the community in which he lived. Surviving him are the following children: Geo. W., of Milesburg; David, of Bennett, Neb.; Mrs. Emanuel Peters of Oak Hall; Mrs. Emanuel Shney, of Dalton City, Ill.; Mrs. Clyde Thomas, of State College; Mrs. Wm. Grove and Samuel, of Shiloh; Mrs. Wm. Musser and Mrs. John Shadel, of Bellefonte. The funeral took place Monday morning. Interment at Shiloh cemetery.

Mrs. MICHAEL F. HESS:—Died at her home near Fiedler, in Haines township, on Monday, from the effect of a paralytic stroke she had about a week ago. She was a daughter of David Neidigh, deceased, of that place. Her age was about 65 years. The deceased was born and raised in that vicinity, and with her husband lived there all their lives, with the exception of a few years in Illinois from which state the family moved back to their native place some ten years ago. She was a member of the Evangelical church. She leaves to mourn her departure a husband, five sons and three daughters, namely, Calvin and Scott in Wisconsin; Allen, in Yeagerstown; John and Newton at home; Mrs. David Winkelblech, Mrs. Lewis Winegardner and Mrs. Milton Barber. Funeral on Friday forenoon; burial in the cemetery at Woodward—all the friends are cordially invited to attend.

This Man Over 200 Years Old.
A man who is more than 200 years old, already in third century of his life, is said to be in a hospital in Tomsk, the capital of the far-away province of that name in Western Siberia. He is a small peasant farmer, bed-ridden, but still sound in his mind.
He remembers seeing Peter the Great and Catherine. Among the documents given as proof of this extreme age is a passport bearing the date of 1763, in which he is described as a man 60 years of age.
He has been a widower 123 years. The certificate of his wife's death shows that she died in 1780, after 47 years of married life.
His son, who died in 1824, was said to be 90 years old.
A heart without faith is fertile soil for the seeds of despair.

POSTOFFICE CONTEST.

The Clearfield postoffice fight, which was supposed to have ended two weeks ago in the recommendation of John H. Martin by Senators Quay and Penrose, is still on. The backers of John M. Chase, present incumbent, who was the only other competitor for the place, say it is "on" with more intensity than ever, and that they will force Quay and Penrose to withdraw their recommendation of Martin. Congressman Hall, Democrat, would still be its representative at Washington had he not resigned to take his seat in the State Senate from the Twenty-eighth Senatorial District.

DRESSER'S INDORSEMENT VOID.
Last November Solomon R. Dresser, of McKean, was elected to Congress from the new Twenty-first district, of which Clearfield county is part. Mr. Dresser does not assume the duties of Congressman, draw pay, recommend for appointment or distribute garden seeds until after March 4 next, and the commission of the present postmaster at Clearfield expired Saturday, February 14. Before Dresser was elected last November he promised to back the present postmaster, John M. Chase, for reappointment. Ex-Senator M. L. McQuown and all of his friends who were counted upon enthusiastically for Chase grew very lukewarm. Then a lot of McQuown's closest friends came out openly for Martin. Several trips to Washington were made, and Martin's friends were told if they could get McQuown's indorsement, or if he would "lie down," Quay and Penrose would recommend Martin. McQuown not only laid down, but he indorsed Martin.

It is reported that Quay and Penrose have endorsed the reappointment of W. M. Montgomery for Bellefonte. That being the case it will go through without a hitch.

EVERY CHURCH or institution supported by voluntary contribution will be given a liberal quantity of the Longman & Martinez Pure Paints whenever they paint.

NOTES:—Have done so for twenty-seven years. Tens of millions of gallons. Painted nearly two million houses under guarantee to repaint if not satisfactory. The paint wears for periods up to eight years. Linseed oil must be added to the paint, (done in two minutes). Actual cost then about \$1.25 a gallon. Samples free. Sold by our agents, G. R. Spigelmyer, Bellefonte; J. W. Glasgow, Coburn.

SPECIAL SALE REGISTER.

This style of advertisement for public sales, enumerating all articles, like the following, we consider more effective than the Bill—it appears in over 3,500 papers each week. Charge \$2.00.

One mile east of Jacksonville in Marion township on the farm of Geo. D. Glossner.

TUESDAY, MARCH 17th at 8:30 a. m.

Will sell the following LIVE STOCK: 9 horses—one heavy Percheron stallion; 2 heavy draft mares one with foal; 2 fine driving horses safe for family, others are general purpose horses; 3 head cattle; 7 milch cows, Jersey and short horn; 5 blooded short horn heifers. Will be fresh time of sale; 2 blooded short horn bulls, 18 months old; other young cattle; 25 shoats and brood sows, sheep, etc.

IMPLEMENTS: 3 Syracuse plows, 2 spring harrows, cultivators, 2 horse wagons, 1 horse wagon, spring wagon—1 seat, fancy top spring wagon for family, 2 top buggies, 1 road cart, Bob sleds one family Bob sled with 3 seats. Wood binder, Deering mowing machine, Farmer's Friend fertilizer, grain drill, hay feeder, hay ladders, corn planter, steel land roller, ten foot hay rake, cutting box, harness of all kinds, chains, hay fork, rake, pulleys, 5 ton wagon scales six platform, whistle tree, 61 acres wheat in ground, new sharpless tubular cream separator No 3.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS: 5 stoves, extension and other tables, cupboards, chairs, carpets, beds and bedding. Domestic sewing machine, 2 iron kettles 1 copper, wash tubs, meat stands and benches, chairs and butter bowls, crocks and jars, milk and creamery cans, pans, flour bin, saw, cast book, axes, a number of articles too numerous to mention. Terms made known on day of sale. All are cordially invited. Ham sandwiches and hot coffee free on day of sale. GEO. D. GLOSSNER.

One mile southwest of Pine Grove Mills in Ferguson township on the Irvin Ross farm on

THURSDAY, MARCH 19th at 9 a. m.

Will sell the following LIVE STOCK: 5 work horses, a span of mules four years old, well mated, seven milch cows, one large well bred short horn bull, 19 head young cattle, 5 brood sows will have pigs be fore sale, 25 head of sheep.

IMPLEMENTS, ETC.: Plows, harrows, 2 two horse cultivators, wagons, new Champion binder and mower machine, new fertilizer, superior grain drill, Evan's double row corn planter, land roller, globe hay rake, 3 pair of hay ladders, fanning mill, manure and lime spreader, harness of all kinds, hay fork and ropes and many other articles too numerous to mention. William Goheen, auctioneer. F. F. FISHBURN.

At Nitany, Pa. in Walker township, on the Central R. of Pa.

TUESDAY, MARCH 24th, 1903,

at 10 a. m. the undersigned will sell

LIVE STOCK: 5 horses—bay mare 7 years, 1600 lbs; brown mare, 11 yrs, 1150 lbs, and is heavy with foal, single leader; mare 15 yrs, roadster; Roan mare 2 yrs, shows speed; 2 cows, 2 yrs, 7 very good cows, all fresh by time of sale, 4 young cattle, Durham bull, 6 mo; 16 hogs, imported boar from Iowa 16 mo., fine; sow with pigs—these hogs are pure Poland China.

FARM IMPLEMENTS: 2 2 h wagon 3 spring wagons, road wagon, cart, bobbed, loggied, cutter, sleigh, Champion binder—good as new, 2 Syracuse, one Oliver and one metal beam plows, spring tooth harrow, Osborne 60-pigtooth harrow 10 ft wide with levers and steel frame, Kraus sulky cultivator, 2 Stowell plows, Centre Hall corn planter, walking cultivator, single cultivator, land roller, mower, hay rake, 2 harpoon forks with rope and pulleys, fanning mill, corn sheller, "TJ" Mfg cutting box self feeder, forks etc. Tug harness for five horses, set of chain harness, pair of new driving harness, ladders, etc. Set of blacksmith's tools, complete, other tools and stock, seed potatoes, hay by the ton, seed corn.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS: Cook stove, 3 heaters, sausage cutter, tables, chairs, kettles, Good watch dog and other articles. No postponement of sale on account of weather. Terms—all amounts must be cash, 4 per cent off for each one year credit over \$5. A. C. McClintie, Auct. N. C. SHAFFER.

Spring Shapes

BOTH SOFT AND STIFF STYLES IN HATS BOTH SOFT AND STIFF STYLES

It is a trifle too early to show the new blocks, perhaps. Most hatters will keep these blocks until they get a month more of business out of winter styles. We prefer to give you the opportunity to get a spring block now, if you want a new hat.

We hat men and do it so well that we're increasing our following of appreciative men every day. And no wonder when hats like the Hawes, head the list with the Samohlen, and "Sim Special" grades close behind. Grades of hats for men who want correct style and value received.

Hats are a hobby with us—don't want to sell you the hat but what you want to wear. Variety enough to give you the particular hat to become your particular face. The mirror will tell you so.

Men's Shirts, Spring Goods.

First chance to see the truly new ideas for Spring. A lot of styles and patterns—some too loud nor too gay—all neat. Crowded with the details that distinguish good shirts from poor. Cut full and roomy with every improvement that makes comfort.

The \$1.00 Shirts.

Any amount of patterns to choose from—neat and clean figures, and neat stripes—mostly in light effects, separate cuffs. People hard to fit—should try these shirts.

The 50c. Shirts.

Different from any half dollar shirts you have ever seen, better, with none of those little tricks to catch the eye and rob the pocket, conservative patterns on printed madras, and woven madras, with mercerized stripes—separate cuffs, some with 2 lay-down collars, some with collars and cuffs.

SEE WINDOW DISPLAY Sim, the Clothier, TEMPLE COURT

Our February Record-smashing Shoe Sale

has been a "hummer" from the word go. Centre countians are pretty well acquainted with the character of the Shoes we carry in regular stock. They know that our stock is the very best in every particular that can be bought anywhere at the same prices, and now that these very Shoes are being sold at ONE-THIRD THE REGULAR PRICES it is not at all surprising that there is a regular stampede for them. Quantities have diminished, of course, but

Every Pair of Winter Shoes on Hand Must Be Sold

so there are still plenty of every kind to choose from; but it isn't safe to delay buying too long. Come as soon as you can.

YEAGER & DAVIS, THE SHOE-MONEY SAVERS.

Ladies' \$3.00 Shoes now \$1.75.