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DEM. COUNTY COMMITTEE, 1903.

Table listing Democratic County Committee members for various districts and boroughs, including names like Jno Trafford, Geo. R. Meek, and W. F. Bradford.

EDITORIAL.

THE Governor has signed the bill permitting the election of one female overseer of the poor in boroughs and townships.

THE Democratic County Convention will meet the first Tuesday of June, and as no important local offices are to be filled, it attracts little attention.

CLEVELAND has issued another statement, that he is not a candidate for reelection. It was hardly necessary. The third term idea will keep him out of the list of possibilities.

OWING to political disturbances in Colombia, it is possible that that government may not ratify the Panama Canal treaty with this country and thus this great enterprise will again be thwarted.

THE labor situation in New York city is admittedly critical. The trouble in the building trades involves 100,000 workmen and interrupts construction having an estimated value of \$75,000,000.

GOVERNOR PENNYPACKER will clear his desk of legislative business in his hands before the close of this week. He is still at work on the general appropriation measure and there will be some pruning before his signature goes to the bill.

REPUBLICANS declare that the tariff should not be revised during a period of prosperity; they said it was a terrible mistake to touch the tariff because business was so depressed. There is no time when the republicans think the tariff ought to be reduced and they think any time is a good one for raising duties if the people will stand it.

In Schuylkill county too, they are after the rascals. The other day the Grand Jury indicted Nicholas Murray, James Boyle, Daniel Gallagher, John Donohue and Richard McGee, School Directors of Bythe, for the alleged acceptance of bribes from school teachers in their employ. James Hughes, an alleged go-between, was indicted for conspiracy with the directors. Thirty-two citizens were also indicted for fraudulent voting.

THE republicans will hold their primary elections this coming Saturday and the convention on Tuesday. There is little disturbance along the lines. For delegates to the State Convention only two names have been heard, Eli Townsend, of Phillipsburg, and T. H. Harter, editor of the Gazette. At one time a contest was brewing for this but the belligerent spirits cooled down. Jury Commissioner and County Surveyor is going a begging as no one considers the office worth the bother. For County Chairman, W. I. Fleming seems to have retired from the field and Col. Reeder will get it again without any question.

MEANING OF STRIKES.

STRIKES among the carpenters, brick-layers, fire brick hands, and half dozen other industries, in all parts of the country, more full of danger to business interests than the late anthracite coal strike, are high on the business horizon, and more than a hundred million dollars in capital is halted that was intended for building operations. There is something wrong. This discontent and these disturbances, ever growing, bode evil for the country. There are causes and until these causes are removed, there will be no end to these troubles, and the country will, sooner or later, fall into evil times, and the remedy for same be proposed only when irreparable injury has been done. Capital is centering all business in the hands of the few, creating trusts that are wiping out the smaller industries, and by the power of the almighty dollar grinding the masses to the edge where endurance will cease to be a virtue. Laboring men see that their earnings go to build up millions for the few while the many are suffering, and beginning to matter, that wages are not on a scale to match the extortions of trust capital, and this condition of affairs is breeding discontent and the increasing strikes. The policy of the government has been shaped to raise millions for the millionaires and the masses are left to struggle in poverty. We say there is something wrong, and where the wrong is can be seen with half an eye. The government is being run solely for the benefit of the rich to the detriment of the masses.

No more rural free delivery routes will be put in operation this fiscal year, except those already arranged for and ordered established, and there will be a general slowing up in the work of this division of the service, with greater attention than ever before to economy, so as to avoid, if possible, a deficit in the rural free delivery accounts at the end of the fiscal year. Orders to the above effect were issued by Postmaster General Payne to Fourth Assistant Bristow, now in charge of free delivery, on Saturday last.

It amuses us to hear the Hon. Charles Emory Smith bewail the signing of the new libel law, and his denouncing of Pennypacker, in the Philad. Press. Mr. Smith sold out, sacrificed his manhood last fall, by going over body, boots, and soul to the Quay gang and paraded up and down the state with Pennypacker, urging people to vote for the man when he then knew him to be a poor excuse to fill such a high office.

LAST Sunday the New York World published a remarkable edition, the occasion being the 20th anniversary of the paper under the direction of Joseph Pulitzer. It was the finest, largest and best newspaper ever printed. The world is a great paper and merits its marvelous success.

FOREST fires never destroy Presidential timber, or political planks. They are fired after the campaign.

THE public will suffer more from the Press-Muzzler act than the newspapers. That is the vital point.

THE early frosts did no injury to the ice cream vendors, who are blooming out in fine style.

SPECIAL COURT.

The following jurors have been drawn for a special term of court to be held, commencing on Monday, June 5th, continuing for one week:

Table listing names of jurors for a special court term, including names like Frank Ripka, Luther Sunday, and William Beagle.

Typewriter Telegraph.

The Pennsylvania Railroad has been experimenting for the past two months with a new typewriter telegraph instrument which, if adopted, will do away altogether with the old style sounder. Machines were placed in various offices and their work has been so satisfactory that it is said the instrument may be adopted all over the Penna. system. The machine is very much like the ordinary typewriter but has all its mechanism exposed. The operator touches a key and the letter which he strikes is received at the other end of the line.

OUR HISTORICAL REVIEW

Information of Events Over a Century Ago

UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

A List of Taxables in Spring Township in 1802, 1803, 1804 and 1805—Those who had Tavern License in 1803—How Procured

The earliest traveling minister of the United Brethren, that visited this country, was Rev. Christian Newcomer. His journal of Sept. 16, 1802, contains the following:

"I preached at Mr. Heiskel's from Luke xviii. 29; the word spoken was accompanied with power; some cried aloud. At night I came to my old friend, P. Crys (?), and was rejoiced to find him and some of his family in the narrow way that leads to life eternal. 17th I rested here and visited several families in this neighborhood. I am now in Centre county. 18th. This forenoon preached at Mr. Gerhardt's; at night I had a meeting at Mr. Duchman's where I was received by several of my old acquaintances with great joy. Sunday, 19th. This morning we held a love feast. I rode yet ten miles to Mr. Pfeffel's, where I tarried for the night. This day I came through Bellefonte to Milesburg, where I preached in a school-house, both in German and English. Lodged at Mr. Steffy's. 21st. This forenoon I preached at Mr. Bricky's, and in the afternoon rode to Mr. Kremer's in Penn's valley. Had a Mr. Knause for guide. 22d. This forenoon I tried to preach here, and in the afternoon rode about ten miles to L. Shidt's, who had come to Mr. Kremer's to pilot me."

Under date of May 30, 1803, he records he "rode from Youngmanstown, (Mifflinburg) about 20 miles to Mr. Kremer's in Centre county, where we lodged. 31st. To-day I preached in Aaronsburg; the work of grace appeared to be a strange doctrine in this place. May God grant the people knowledge. Rode yet about twenty miles to Mr. Miller's, where we stayed all night. June 1. Preached at Mr. Herzog's; here we had a blessed time, the word made considerable impression. Some were enabled to rejoice. June 2. We held another meeting at this place, and several were happily converted to God; rode in the afternoon about twelve miles and preached to a small congregation at Mr. Heiskel's. 3d. I preached in Huntingdon county, near Spruce Creek, at G. M.'s."

Additional taxables in Spring township in 1802:

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Additional taxables in Spring township in 1803:

Table listing names of taxables in Spring township in 1803, including names like Adams, John; Bellaw, Daniel; Calhoun, John; Hunter, William; Idings, John; Irwin, John; McCutcheon, John; Mease, John; Orwig, Samuel; Stratton, Lot; Weaver, Frederick; Wieg, William; Williams, Evan; Underwood, William.

Additional taxables in Spring township in 1804:

Table listing names of taxables in Spring township in 1804, including names like Benner, Philip, taxed with rolling mill and new forge; Dilman, John; Eves, Abraham; Fulton, David; Houser, Jacob; filling mill; Irwin, John; Lambourne, Lewis; Lytle, John; McBride, John; McClelland, Archibald; MeGe, John; Mease, Michael; Middleton, James; Miers, George; Pennington, Israel; Poorman, Michael; Ross, Samuel; Spencer, George; Spotts, David; Watson, James; Whitehill, John; Whitehill, Joseph.

Additional taxables in Spring township in 1805:

Table listing names of taxables in Spring township in 1805, including names like Benner, Philip, sitting-mill; Bodel, Robert; Barnside, Thomas; Culbertson, Moses; Hastings, Thomas; Longwell, Walter; Mouniz, Charles; Mountz, John; Sadler, Robert; Sener, George; Trezynny, Charles; Wigley, William; Whipps, Isaac.

At April sessions James Ardery, of Potter, David Barber, of Potter, John McKee, of Bellefonte, Alexander Robinson, of Bald Eagle township, and Mary Allison of Potter, were recommended to the Governor for license to keep tavern. At August sessions David Boal, of Ferguson, and Adam Bolander were recommended for license.

At November sessions of 1804 William Alexander, of Bellefonte, and David Nicholson, of Ferguson, were recommended for license.

At August sessions John Mitchell, of Aaronsburg, James Foster, of Milesborough, and Michael Shaffer, of Millheim, were recommended for license.

From this it will be observed that tavern licenses were granted by the Governor upon recommendation of the court.

Gen. Patton's interest in large real estate, on Slab Cabin and in Ferguson township was sold by Sheriff James Duncan, Aug. 16, 1803, to Francis Guernev.

RECENT DEATHS.

GEO. W. BOWES:—aged 72 years, died in the Lock Haven hospital Monday night of paralysis. His body was taken to Eagleville for interment.

PAUL GIBBONY:—three-year old son of Oliver and Mrs. Fannie Gibbony, of Boalsburg, died Wednesday, of laryngitis. On Sunday he complained of not feeling well and medical aid was summoned. Interment at Manor Hill.

MRS. GEORGE W. ELLENBERGER:—of Guyer, Centre county, died at the Altoona hospital on 7, to which institution she was admitted about a week ago to be treated for tuberculosis and cancer. The deceased is survived by her husband and two sons.

JOHN GISEWHITE, JR.:—a little son of John Gisewhite's, died Sunday morning on Willowbank street. The child had been sick a short time. The cause of his death was due to blood poison the result of an operation. He was 19 months and 3 weeks old. Interment in the Union cemetery.

MRS. ABRAHAM SNYDER:—died after an illness of ten days with pneumonia at the home of J. P. Gearhart, at Shingletown, on Tuesday 5. She was aged 74 years and had resided in this place some years ago. She is survived by her husband, several children and some brothers and sisters all of whom reside in Stone valley.

SARAH J. YOUNG:—wife of Michael Young died at her home in Bush Addition Thursday morning, 7, of a complication of diseases. Deceased was the daughter of Daniel and Mary Solt and was born near Centre Furnace about 37 years ago. She is survived by her husband and the following children: Mrs. Minnie Miller, of Holt's Hollow; Annie, Chester, Selma and Ethel at home.

GEORGE MURTOP:—died on the 4th, at his home at Pennsylvania Furnace of old age. He came to Centre county from Lebanon, when only a young man. For sixty years he was an iron worker at Pennsylvania Furnace. He is survived by his wife and seven of his eight children: ren. Robert, of Scotia; Howard, of Tyrone; Mrs. Maggie Miller, Mrs. Clara Rhoads, Mrs. Tucker Swisher, of Altoona; Mrs. John Harpster, of Burnham and Mrs. Martin Giles, of Coalport. Interment was made at Coalport.

MRS. ELIZABETH WILLOWER:—widow of Doctor Willower, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Andrew Jacobs, in Baltimore on Thursday, April 30, from the effects of a stroke of paralysis. On the following Saturday her body was brought to her old home at Hublersburg and funeral services held in the Evangelical church at that place at 11 o'clock. Interment was made at Hublersburg. Mrs. Willower, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Margaret Markle, was born near Hublersburg and there most of her life was spent. Her death occurred on her seventy-second birthday and is mourned by seven children, Mrs. Andrew Jacobs, Mrs. Harry Ganties and Augustus, of Baltimore; Mrs. George Lever, of Wrightsville; Mrs. A. M. Holmes, of Pittsburgh, Frank, of Elmira, and Wesley of Antes Fort. She is also survived by three sisters and one brother, all of whom are residents of this county.

MRS. MARY F. BLANCHARD:—died Friday, at Glenn Springs Sanitarium, Watkins, N. Y., whither she had gone recently for treatment. The body was brought to Bellefonte on Saturday and the interment took place Monday. She was the daughter of the late Hon. John Irvin, Jr., who during his active, business life was one of the most prominent and extensive Iron Manufacturers in Central Pennsylvania. Mrs. Blanchard's mother was Anna Harris Linn, daughter of Rev. James Linn, D. D., who for fifty years, served as pastor of the Bellefonte Presbyterian church. In 1869 she was married Edmund Blanchard, Esq., an eminent member of the law firm of E. & E. M. Blanchard. He died in 1886. Her age was sixty-two years and the direct cause of her death, affection of the heart. There are surviving the deceased, one sister Mrs. Jos. Bright, of Overbrook; one son Frederick, and three daughters, Rebecca, Anna and Christine.

—The appearance of the Brockerhoff House office in its new decorations is something attractive. The colors are pronounced, green painting, red side walls and yellow ceiling. It is decidedly clever.

A PATHETIC DEATH.

The only person who perished in the forest fires of Elk county was a well known woodsman named Garret A. Wynkoop and the particulars of his death as given by the Ridgway Advocate are most pathetic. He and several other men were fighting fire and trying to save property. The flames got so fierce and surrounded them so closely that they had to flee for their lives. The air was black with smoke and almost suffocating, and the men had great difficulty in finding their way out of danger. They became so exhausted in their fight that Mr. Wynkoop fell down several times, but his comrades held him up and urged him on till they too were exhausted. When he fell again he was so far gone he could not get up even with help and he urged his friends to save their own lives, saying he could go no further. In desperation and not knowing whether if they could get out, they left him and finally escaped from danger. This was on Thursday evening, and Friday morning about 10 o'clock they found the charred remains of Mr. Wynkoop near where he had been left. His clothes were all burned off and his hands terribly burned, blood seemed to show that he had a hemorrhage.

Memorial Day Orators.

The following members of the Bellefonte Bar have been selected to deliver Memorial Orations this year: Col. D. F. Fortney at Bellefonte; W. Harrison Walker at Centre Hall and Boalsburg; A. A. Dale at Millheim; H. S. Taylor at Rebersburg and Aaronsburg.

—Misses Sarah Fitzgerald and Helen Harper are visiting friends in Renovo and Williamsport.

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Bishop Talbot Upheld.

The long legal controversy between the Rev. I. N. W. Irvine, of Huntingdon, and Bishop Talbot and others has at last in all probability come to an end, for the Supreme Court, in a per curiam opinion, has overruled the exceptions taken by Irvine to the judgment of Common Pleas Court of Huntingdon county in his suit against Emma D. Elliot, Ethelbert Talbot and Alexander Elliot.

The Clearfield Lutherans are contemplating the enlargement of their church to about double its present size.

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