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While on a Mission for One of

His Comrades.

Leading Insurance Agent.

COL. GEO. A. BAYARD KILLED.

Eight cars are said to have passed over

both legs crushed up close to the body,

the race just a few rods above the

freight station, and was walking in the

His.

COL. G. A. BA \RD

### BELLEFONTE, PA., THURSDAY, JULY 16, 1903.

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# FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

# AND GUN CLUB Bright Sparkling Paragraphs-Select-

ed and Original.

FORGOTTEN.

- A little year or so ago She sparkled everywhere With shou'ders bare and face aglow The fairest of the fair ; We read about her every day As having been at this or that-At club or tea or ball or play. Attraction centered where she sat.
- A little year or so ago She swaved a certain set-Without her functions failed, but oh, How quickly we forget! The men who flocked around her then
- Now flatter other girls and they That read her name with envy when She swayed ne'er think of her to-day.
- A preacher said some words, and lo, A maiden ceased to be! The fair one people used to know, Oh where, oh where, is she? There's one who bends with loving gaze
- O'er something small and trail and sweet-I wonder if she mourns the days
- When all the world was at her feet? -Chicago Times Herald

"Seeing is believing," but Heaven isn't on the map.

- Don't burden yourself with more airs than you can carry.
- It is possible for a man to be square, and still be cornered.
- It is easier to make a new promise than to mend a broken one.
- Some people are attracted to auction sales out of more bid curiosity.
- An epigram is generally an old friend ma-querading in false whiskers.
- Misfortunes never come single, especially where twiss are concerned.
- If wishes were horses beggars would try to trade them for automobiles.
- An idle rumor gains currency, which is more than can be said of an idle man. No. Maud, dear; it isn't only the milk
- trains that are supplied with cow-catchers. The pick-pocket has to keep a watch
- on his victim before he can take one away from him.

## THE CARNIVAL A SUCCESS

The Fourth of July Carpival, which began June 20 and ended at midnight July 4th, was a success, throughout, and largely attended each day, especially so on the 4th. The different shows with their large tents contained nothing objectionable, decency was the rule inside the tents, and the exhibition in each of an order to please the most refined ; except the dancing pavilion down High street which received orders to quit. We never knew a crowd to gather in Bellefonte in which better order prevailed from start to finish. A couple of patriotic spirits had a little load of rye juice on, but there were no disturbances, fights and such, so common in town heretofore when there was a gathering. The noise and confusion, by bands, drums, firing of pistols, fire crackers the barkers in front of their tents with speaking tubes roaring out the things to be seen inside, was a mixture of sounds that was almost deafening yet everybody seemed to enjoy it because it was the "Fourth of July you know." The dive afternoon and night from the top of a 100 foot ladder, into a tank of about 6 feet of water, was a spectacle that drew the entire crowd. The daily evening balloon 400 00 ascensions and parachute drops were \$17,581 93 another feature that was eagerly witness. ed by the crowds. Fortunately no accidents happened. Taken altogether it was one of the most enjoyable Fourths Bellefonte yet celebrated, and although it spread over a week, none seemed to tire of it.

#### W. H, Fry, John P. Harris, Wm. P. A BIG Humes, W. W. Montgomery, Frank P. INSTANTLY . LED Green, John Uzzle. The active pall-bearers were Gen. Inc.

I. Curtin, H. H. Montgomery, Herman K. Miller, Allen Smith, D. L. Sanders, Tho nas Donachy.

Until a few days after the accident, it **GEORGE L. POTTER EXPIRES** was supposed no one had seen Mr. Bayard when the train struck him. It has since become known that a man by the Sudden Death of Two of Bellefonte's Prominent Citizens-Died Within name of ----- Marshall, was sitting in a Week of Each Other-One a his buggy at Dubbs' implement office opposite the track; he saw him as he was struck. Marshall says he noticed Mr. Bayard stepping on the track to cross over, the train moved up unobserv-Tuesday 7th, at noon, the citizens of

ed and struck Mr. Bayard while he was this town were shocked to hear that one in the centre of the track; and saw him of our oldest and best known and most knocked down, and under the cars with respected citizens, Col. George A. Bayard, had been instantly killed by being his head against the rails. It was reported Mr. Bayard at the time he was struck and run over by a freight train. killed was out to obtain signatures in favor of the appointment of Wm. H. his body, which was dragged some two Lose as postmaster at Centre Hall. This rods over the ties. His injuries were, was a mistake, the petition was in favor of the appointment of Wm. H. Close, as one arm crushed, likewise one hand and postmaster at Oak Hall, who was a the scalp torn from his forehead. The brother veteran of the civil war; he flesh upon his legs was widely parted, was carrying the petition when he met and his face bruised. It is supposed Mr. his horrible fate. Bayard had crossed the foot bridge over

#### GEORGE L. POTTER. Yesterday our town was shocked by

the announcement of the sudden death of George L. Potter, a well-known and highly esteemed citizen whose familiar face was often seen and greeted on our streets, but will be seen no more. Mr. Potter died unexpectedly about 1 p. m. vesterday, of nervous prostration. He seemed in delicate health for several weeks, but his family and friends anticipated not this sudden call of the reaper. He had attended the funeral of Col. Bayard, a few days ago, and was supposed had a slight sun-stroke while at-

Mr. Potter was a gentleman of the noblest probity and manhood. A christian in the full meaning of the word, and a model citizen. Of sound judgment and reliable in all his business transactions, useful and worthy to whatever duties he was called. For many years Mr. Potter conducted one of the largest and most reliable insurance offices in central Pernsylvania. He was a citizen of whom it may be truly said, he will be

direction of the Bush House, that some missed-missed in the Presbyterian freight cars, eight in number, were sent church, missed as a citizen, as a boro ofon a flying switch back of him, and ficial and as an insurance agent. His father was Wm. W. Potter, a na- a lot of binders and other machinery, ing hard of hearing) he was struck and tive of Potters Mills, a business man in stored in one of the large glass works knocked under the wheels. A few sec- a number of places, and at his death, buildings, which were burned. The onds later persons seeing the mangled July 7, 1884, he was the agent for body lying face down, hurried to the the Pennsylvania R R. Co. at Bellefonte. spot, but did not at once recognize who. George Latimer Potter, the young er destroyed with two car loads of baled it was until a brief time afterwards. He son, was born at Potters Mills, April 6, breathed a few times and expired. His 1847. He attended school at State Colbody was carried into the freight ware- lege (Centre county.) Lawrenceville, (N. house, to await the coming of Harris' J.) and at Washington and Jefferson undertaker's cab, and the body taken to College (Washington county, Penn.), but the undertakers to be prepared for buri- as his health failed he did not complete al. The accident threw a pall of gloom the college course. He read medicine over the town, and universal expressions for one year, but owing to an accident by of sympathy were bestowed upon the which his father lost an arm, he took up bereaved family. Col. Bayard was a the latter's work, which he continued in most excellent citizen, with perhaps not until 1874, when he was obliged to rean enemy, a gentleman of intelligence | linguish it on account of failing health. and affability. He was a veteran of the In 1874 he engaged in the insurance civil war and saw active service, bear- business, and has since made that his

SUNDAY BLAZE

Glass Works Destroyed by Fire With Heavy Losses

**INSURANCE WAS VERY LIGHT** 

Burning of the Large Hastings Barn-Elmer Swartz, Tenant, a Heavy Looser in Live Stock-Severely Burned.

Sunday afternoon at 2:10 a fire alarm stattled the citizens of Bellefonte and the news flew like wild fire, "the glass works are on fire." Immense clouds of black smoke had already arisen and too plainly verified the report. The fire department was promptly on hand but having nigh three fourths of a mile to reach the plant, by the time they got there the large frame building at the east end of the works was already a mass of flames throwing out so intense a heat that the houses on either side of the plant were in great danger of being devoured by the flames. It was plain to the firemen that the plant was doomed and that to save the dwellings was the wise part and leave the rest to the devouring element. By their strenuous exertions the dwellings were saved, though at one time this seemed doubtful. In an hour the entire plant, covering about 21/2 acres, was a smouldering mass of ruins. Immense clouds of dark smoke filled the atmosphere, and the flames sprang high and wildly from building to building, until the entire plant was devoured. All were frame structures.

The house occupied by section boss Joseph Rishell, a short distance south of the glass works, was only saved by the exertions of the firemen, an outbuilding only a few yards from the house was burned. The Rishell family, with some aid, got out all the contents of the house, which were somewhat injured by the hasty removal. He has \$400 insurance. The large car barn of the Penn'a R. R. Co., at the west end of the glass works, was the last of the buildings descroyed. Several coaches, a dozen barrels of oil, and some others articles were removed before the struture took fire. In it were mont & Co. M'Calmont & Co. also had

owned by R. R. Co., and lightly scorched only. The glass company's loss is estimated at about \$50,000, which includes about \$10,000 worth of glass stored. Insurance about \$12,000, in the Potter, Hoover and Rankin agencies.

Thomas Rishel, injury to household

goods, about \$50, with insurance ; house

The P. R. R. ice house and car barn, etc., loss about \$2000. A night watchman was kept in the

glass works, but no day watch. The plant having been shut down for some time there were no fires needed.

BURNING OF THE HASTINGS BARN. On Saturday, July 4th, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, the startling news reached our town that the large barn on the Gen. Hastings farm, on the Lewistown pike, less than 2 miles from here, was on fire. In a short time the barn and all the outbuildings and sheds were a mass of ruins. The barn and adjoining sheds were large, roomy and only recently rebuilt from what was formerly known as the "black barn," the farm having been purchased by ex-gov. Hastings previous to his death. It was remodeled throughout to be on a footing with modern firstclass farm buildings. Elmer Swartz was the tenant residing on the farm, and he lost nearly all his live stock along with many implements. The live stock that perished in the flames were six horses, three calves, a colt and several sheep. The flames had spread with such fury

that Mr. Swartz could only rescue one horse a' the risk of 1 is own life, and in the effort he was severely burned in the face and hands. A binder and a few implements were also saved. The loss is a serious one for Mr. Swartz, who is a worthy and industrious farmer. He carried an insurance of \$2000 in the

Grange Co. The Hasting's estate has \$7,450 insurance on the barn and sheds with the CQuigley. agency of John L. Potter, and \$1,000 with the Rankin agency. The origin of the fire as we are informed was caused by some of the children in the use of explosives to celebrate the Fourth, a 12year old son of Mr. Swartz had a toy pistol, and innocently fired a charge into a barrel of coal tar at the barn which at once blazed up and a rapid spread of the flames over the entire barn resulted The stone dwelling a short distance from also some machinery stored by M'Cal- the barn, was only saved by a free application of water poured from buckets.

Purchased by Col. I. L. Spangler for \$2,000. CHARTER BEEN APPLIED FOR

NITTANY ROD

Nittany Country Club Reorganized-Prospects Ahead Very Bright-Doings of the School Board-Council Meeting, Etc.

The property of the Nittany Rod and Gun club, at Hecla Park, was sold at Sheriff's sale Monday afternoon, 6, on a writ issued by S. H. Vandergrift, of Pitts

down to Col. J. L. Spangler of Bellefonte for \$2,000. This included the lease on the property, the fish and game preserves and all privileges that go with it.

A new Nittany club has been organiz ed, to take the place of the club defunct, composed of members from this and some other counties, and to be known as the Nittany Country Club. Attorneys Harrison Walker and John M. Dale will see after the securing a charter for the new organization, which has chosen the following officers.

Col. J. L. Spangler-President. J. W. Gephart-Vice-President. Edmund Blanchard-Secretary. George R. Meek-Treasurer. Directors :

- John M. Dale, Esq.
- W. Harrison Walker, Esq.

The House Committee is as follows George R. Meek, Hard P. Harris, Henry

#### School Board Meeting.

At the meeting of the Bellefonte boro directors, July 6, there was only one new teacher elected and Miss Helen Crissman succeeds Mrs. C. M. Parrish, nee Rose Fox. The complete list of teachers elected is as follows ;

John D. Meyer, principal; Ella Levy, 1st ass't.; Bessie M. Craighead, 2nd ass't.; Jonas E. Wagner, senior grammar; Chas. A. Heiss, Junior Gram.; Carrie A. Weaver, Junior Gram.; Mary Un-Millie derwood, Ass't Junior Gram .; Smith, Gertrude Taylor, May Taylor, Elizabeth Faxon, Annie McCaffrey, Jennie Longacre, Frances B. Elmore, Helen Crissman, intermediates ; Bessie H. Dorworth, Alice K. Dorworth, primary. The Finance committee submitted the following estimates of receipts and expenditures for the year commencing the first Monday of June, 1903.

burg, for a loan of \$3,000. The property was finally knocked

- L. T. Munson. Dr. J. M. Brokerhoff.
- Robert Morris.
- Col. Wilbur F. Reeder, of Bellefonte.

Mr. Freeman, of Tyrone.

tending the burial.

which, not being observed by him, (being upon his person the scars of the battle fields.

COL. GEORGE A. BAYARD

1812, and his grandfather was Col. John Bayard of and Penn'a Cay. in 1776

The cabin struck him first and the train crew did not know that they had 14, 1883. Through her mother, Mrs. run over a man until the brakeman on Potter is a descendant of the famous Inthe pilot discovered the remains and sig- dian scout, Robert Copenhoven. The naled for the train to stop. A gold family attend the Presbyterian church, watch and chain belonging to Col. Bay- in which Mr. Potter was an elder. ard was picked up along the railroad track where he was killed.

George A. Bayard was born in Bayardtown near Pittsburg, and was 76 years of age, and with his parents came to Bellefonte in 1833. He was a relative of the late Senator Thomas F. Bayard of Delaware. He first served in the three months service as a private in Co. H. Bellefonte Fencibles of 2nd Penna. attendance of colored ladies from various Vol. At the expiration of this enlistment he organized Co. H, of the 148th Penna. Vol., and was its first captain. For bravery in battle he aose to the rank of major and at the close of the war was breveted Lieut. Colonel. He was ly clad, dignified in their bearing and married to Martha Johnson who survives him with the following children : Mrs. George Bowen, of Canton, O ; Walter W. ters of this place did all in their power and John, of Los Angeles, Cal.; James, to make it pleasant for the visitors, and Ursula, Caroline, Sadie, Roger T., of Bellefonte and George, of Arcadia, Pa. Deceased was a member of Gregg Post, to have the delegates dine each day in No. 95, G. A. R., and they had charge Petriken Hall basement. The program of the funeral services which took place last Thursday morning from the Presbyterian church. He was laid to rest with same tact and decorum. Bishop R. D. the honors of war, by Co. B, 5th Reg., Arnitt, of Ohio, was present along with and N. G. P.

follows : Gen. Jas. A. Beaver, Maj. Geo. Monday morning well pleased with A. Fairlamb, Capt. Thos. Myton, Geo. M. Boal, D. W. Woodring, Charles The local ministers of the different de M. Boal, D. H. Com. Austin Curtin, nominations of our town, displayed attended due courtesy to the strangers, attended Dr. Theodore Christ, D. F. Fortney, W. their sessions, and lent them the uses of H. Musser, Dr. J. M. Thompson, Capt. their churches.

permanent work. On June 21, 1876, he was married to Elizabeth J. Sanderson His father was sergeant in the war of daughter of W. C. Sanderson, of Eagle Mills, Clinton county, and they have two daughters : Marguerite, born July 29, 1877; and Sarah Irvin, born March

Funeral Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment in Union cemetery.

#### A. M. E. MITE CONVENTION.

The annual convention of the Women's Mite Missionary Society, of the colored sisters, Pittsburg Conference, was held in this place last week, and adjourned on Sunday evening. There was a large sections of the state, delegates of local societies, also a number of prominent male members of the A. M. E. church. The sessions were quite interesting, well conducted. The ladies were handsomeon the whole won the respect of the people of our town. The bretheren and siswere liberal in their hospitality. Provision was made by the home organization was similar to that of any other body of white ladies, and carried out with the other prominent divines of the African The honorary pall-bearers were as M. E. church. The visitors left on their brethren and sisters of Bellefonte. minations of our town, displayed all

shed of the same firm for storing baled hay and straw was also totally hay. Their new coal sheds were in immenent danger, but a free use of water from the hose saved their destruction.

The loss of the glass works company enlivened the social circles of the quiet is estimated at \$50,000 to \$60,000. A town of Unionville, on July Sth, when large and valuable stock of glass fell a the marriage of James B. Stere to Grace prey to the flames. The breeze was Brownlee, of Lock Haven, was celebratmainly from the northwest, which pre- ed. The wedding took place at 10:30 a. vented the intense heat firing the nearby m. at the residence of J. C. Stere, home dwelling houses to the north of the plant. of the groum. Rev. J. Zeigler, pastor of The ice house of the Penn'a R. R. standing close to the lower end of the tials. The bride wore pink mull which glass work's buildings, was also burned. seemed very befitting to the season and The origin of the fire-well, it started surroundings. The attendants were in the glass work's office, but how, was composed of J. C. Stere and wife, who at the time unknown. Later in the day were married by Mr. Zeigler on Oct. 7th we were reliably informed that a gentleman saw a lot of young fellows hurry was married to Bessie Miles by the same away from the office ten minutes before on Feb. 26, 1903; Mrs. Blair and daughthe flames broke out. These fellows ter Miss Hannah Thompson, Mrs. Ella were supposed to have been a gang of Sunday card players and gamblers, who bride, Miss Bessie Stere, Mrs. Holsworth only a few weeks previous were routed and her two sons and Mrs. Zeigler, Miss from a rendezvous for that sort of work in an unoccupied building in that locality and that they selected the idle plant for quarters to continue their work and by a careless use of matches caused the awful conflagration. Monday morning following the fire it had been planned to commence making repairs about the plant preparatory to resuming operations again before the coming fall.

The stockholders are mainly, or altogether citizens of Bellefonte, many being employees in the works-the loss to these in their investment as well as in the anticipated employ with resumption of the works, is a serious one to these employe-stockholders.

Had the fire taken place at night, an immense glare of awful grandeur would have illumined the heavens visible all the Susquehanna and the new fish wardover the county. There were three ens will be instructed to prosecute people loud reports from explosions of barrels who disobey the laws regulating the takof oil ; some kegs of powder were stored ing of fish. in one of the buildings but these were Two thirds of the townspeople, hurrifiend danced and reveled. Our fire lad- fense of this nature. dies were promptly on the spot but the job on hand was so immense that their the houses close by.

McCalmont & Co's loss, \$2,000 to \$2,500, with light insurance.

Mr. Hickok, son-in-law of Gen. Hastings, and manager of the estate, has already made arrangements for rebuilding the barn at once. He has submitted the rebuilding to a letting, and will give all bids respectful consideration.

#### BROWNLEE-STERE.

An event of more than passing interest

Messiah's church, performed the nup-1879; while their older son Harry M. Brownlee, of Lock Haven, mother of the

Mary Swartz, of Tyrone, made up the party. The festivel board, which was decked with the most dainty viands, meat, fruits, pastry and sweetmeats, with ice cream and cake, made up the bill of fare. The happy couple received many useful and valuable presents. They took the 1:28 p. m. train to Mr. Stere's place of business where they will at once embark in the vocations of life. Long may they both live, and enjoy heaven's blessing.

(Lock Hayen Democrat please copy.)

#### To Suppress Gigging.

The State Department of fisheries is taking steps for the suppression of taking fish by night by spearing or "gigging," as the practice is generally known along

According to a recent decision of the removed before the flames reached them. Attorney-General fish can only be taken by rod and line, and therefore all fishing ed to the scene and from the hills and by means of baskets, spears or explosivroadbeds nearby viewed the awful de- es is illegal and will be punished. The struction in which the unrelenting fire law prescribes a fine of \$25 for each of-

The friends of Thomas H. Murray, of efforts were mainly directed to saving Clearfield, will be sorry to learn that this distinguished lawyer was operated upon last week for appendicitis, and is critically ill.

EXPENSES TO BE MET. Balance due Treasurer at settlement

first Monday of June 1903 ..... \$ 821 93 Temporary Loan..... 2,000 00 9.115 00 Teachers' wages ...... Repairs .... 400 00 Fnel, Brick building ... 200 00 Steam heat ... 1070 00 Sect'y and Treas, \$150 each Janitors' wages .... Int. on bonded debt. Int. on \$2,000, 5 per ct. note .. 100 00 Matured bond. 1,000,00 School books. 250 00 School supplies Teachers attending institute. Grounds ... 150 00 Incidentals .

300 00

840 00

875 00

300 00

180 00

Total ...... Council Meeting.

Council met Monday evening July 6th, and transacted the following business : The Water committee was instructed to find out the expense connected with replacing the old water wheel at water works and purchasing pump for same and ascertain the cost of installing pump at the old water works; also on motion of Mr. Penlon ordered that new brick crossings be laid across Howard street from Curtins to Andrews and across Linn street.

Burgess Walker reported collecting and turning in \$24 in fines during the month of June.

The Finance committee recommended that the same rate of tax be assessed as last year, to wit 3 mills for boro, 4 mills for street and 41/2 mills for interest.

Mr. Fenlon of the Water works committee reported that the contract between Col. W. Fred Reynolds and the boro in regard to the new pumping station had been signed by the proper officials.

Two young horses owned by John Streck, a farmer of Beech Creek township, died in a peculiar manner Friday morning. The animals, aged two and one years, respectively, were turned loose in the field. One showed symptoms of being ill and was taken into the barn where it died in a short time. Soon the other one became sick and died as quickly. Poison is the only thing likely to have acted in that way.

The more friends a woman has the more dangerous it is to tell a secret.

Burgess Walker had his eye well set against disorder.

#### **Biggest Trout Yet.**

Bellefonte lately claimed the record for big trout. Last week Oleona disputed the claim. The Oleona tish was caught May 7, 1903, by Edward Bachman, in Phelp's dam, along Sand Spring brook, a tributary of the Lehigh river, near Thornhurst, Lackawanna county. The fish measured 281/2 inches in length, width 8 inches and weighed dressed 7 pounds and 3 ounces. The fish was taken with an 11-ounce Bristol steel rod, and a light brook line by a boy 15 years of age. He was forty minutes landing his catch.

Centre county fishermen must try again, and regain the belt.

#### Suspected of Murder.

Wm. Troberg, John Storick, W. N. Kline, W. E. Bumgardner, Woods Franklin, Wm. Woomer, and Harry Heagy, all of Lewistown, were placed in jail, supposed to be connected with the robbery and murder of the unknown man found near Lewistown Junction. Several other men were molested near the junction and the men placed in jail were seen in that neighborhood raising considerable disturbance. One of the suspects had been seen in company with the murdered man.