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EDITORIAL.

AN Iowa woman has sued her husband for divorce because he compelled her to wear the family trousers. Most women would object over a refusal of the privilege.

MICHAEL Kanan and Mary McClellan both of Decatur, Ill., were married after a courtship of over 33 years. The groom is 63 years old and his bride is 50. They have been neighbors all their lives. He must have been most mighty slow.

WE should like to know whether that Chicago clergyman who was hauled over the coals by his congregation for going in bathing with a lot of pretty girls was censured for the company he kept or for the mere fact that he took a bath.

MR. ROOSEVELT seems to have turned a full and complete somersault. As the author of the 'Life of Thomas H. Benton,' he declared that 'political economists pretty generally agreed that protection is vicious in theory and harmful in practice,' but as President of the United States he insists that it is exceedingly 'undesirable that the protective system be destroyed.'

It is reported from Washington that Roosevelt does not feel so sure of the nomination for president as he did a few weeks ago. In knowing republican quarters there is a belief that the Rough Rider could not be elected. Teddy has been showing himself too much of a hot-head to be the president of a great nation like the United States. His nature is that of the prize fighter order and cow boy daring.

Judge Beiler handed down a decision at Philadelphia the other day which will prove of much interest to lovers of youth and maids. Miss Amelia Powellsak was suing Andrew Till for breach of promise. The proposal was made on Sunday and was never subsequently acknowledged by Till. The Judge decided that under the blue laws the contract was worthless. According to this most anything will go, when courting Sunday nights.

AFTER all, Mark Hanna, it seems, will be a candidate for the nomination for president. The cloud was quite small a short time ago, but now it has risen high enough on the political horizon to badly frighten Roosevelt. Hanna will have Senator Platt, of New York, to aid him to get the delegates of that state, as against a combination of Gov. Odell and Roosevelt. The feeling in the Empire state has grown to such dimensions that Mrs. Gov. Odell has refused an invitation to dine with Mrs. Senator Platt.

OFFICIAL VOTE.

The official returns of the vote cast in this state are more forceful than any editorial that can be written. For State Treasurer it stood:

Mathews, republican..... 529 631
Hill, democrat 244 284
Republican plurality..... 285 348

The republican ticket had over 41,000 more plurality than were cast for the entire democratic ticket. All this was accomplished under the leadership of Gaffey, and the chairmanship of Hall, et al.

Comment what you may, make all the excuses possible, these overwhelming totals can not be effaced. Results alone are the final test of fitness, and by this standard the management of the democratic state campaign looms up as a colossal failure.

Judge Scents Fraud.

Even republican Snyder county is taking to boss methods and has already reached the high degree of perpetrating jury frauds.

There will be no jury trials at December term of the Snyder county courts. Judge McClure quashed the array of jurors drawn for that term in the opinion, assigning as a reason, among other things, the fact that out of sixty-seven names which were put into the wheel, by the two Jury Commissioners sixty-one were drawn as jurors, and out of the thirty-three deposited by Judge McClure only eleven were drawn out.

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DESPERATE ROBBERY AT ROLAND.

A desperate robbery was committed Tuesday evening at the little town of Roland, Pa., which is located along the Bald Eagle Valley R. R., often called Curtin's Works. Harvey Lutz is the proprietor of a flour and feed mill at that place and has as an assistant a young man by the name of Vincent Sharp. On Monday afternoon a strange man came to the mill and asked for a sack of corn meal. He said he would come back for it later in the day and told them to put his name on it which he gave as J. Jackson. About 5 p. m., that evening he returned and called Mr. Lutz from his home and had him go to the mill where he paid for the sack of meal. The man left and was not seen again until Tuesday evening. At the time Mr. Lutz was at home and young Sharp was in charge of the place. The stranger came into the mill office and sat down and began to talk to young Sharp, who readily recognized the stranger as the person who had been in the day previous and bought the sack of corn meal. The stranger then asked Sharp whether he could change a \$5 bill and Sharp said he thought he could and turned and opened the cash drawer. As his back was turned a heavy stroke on the head rendered him unconscious and he sank to the floor. Probably ten minutes after Mr. Lutz came to the mill and waited on some trade but did not go into the office until about a half hour later when he found the young man on the floor unconscious and the money drawer scooped of all the cash.

He quickly summoned some of the people about the furnace and they at once applied restoratives to the young man who soon revived for a second time. Finally he recovered sufficiently to tell what happened and word was telegraphed along the railroad to be on the lookout for the robber, who is described as follows: Height about 5 feet 10 inches, weight 170, had a week's growth of a sandy beard and a heavy mustache, prominent nose, wore black slouch hat and storm overcoat.

The young man has two welts on his head, one over the temple and the other on the back. The scalp was not broken and that indicated that he was struck with a stuffed weapon.

The amount taken from the money drawer was at least \$100. On Wednesday a suspicious character was arrested at Mill Hill and Sheriff Taylor went down accompanied by Sharp, but the young man was positive that it was not the man they were hunting, and he was released.

HUNTERS QUARREL.

The following news item was sent out from Lewistown, on Tuesday.

The first attempt at game piracy in this section for many years has been brought before the authorities here by the burning of a cabin in the Seven mountains. A few days ago Wm. Lee, of Centre county, was gunning with companions. When nearing the Old Kettle Lee raised a large buck, breaking his back at the first shot. When Lee left his companions to look after his game four hunters, who said they were from Philadelphia, demanded the deer, saying they had killed it. Lee, upon examining the carcass, found that only one bullet had entered it, and that being from his side. So he refused to surrender the deer. A fight ensued, in which Lee was badly battered and his game taken.

When Lee's friends returned to the cabin and discovered his condition they hastened to the cabin of the Philadelphia party, gave them a good thrashing, forced them to return Lee's deer, burned the cabin over their heads, and drove them from the mountains. Learning that the cabin was the property of another, and was being occupied without his consent the Lee party went to Lewistown to pay for the damage.

Smallpox at Georges Valley.

Frank Herman, of Altoona, came to the home of his father in law, Harvey Vonada, in Georges valley Friday 13th. While there he became ill and Dr. Braucht, of Spring Mills, was sent for on Saturday evening, who, after examining the patient found that he had on hand a bad case of smallpox. Other physicians were consulted and they verified Dr. Braucht's diagnosis of the case.

Mr. Vonada's home has been quarantined and all necessary precautions are being taken with the case. Members of both families are living in the same house, but thus far no new cases have developed. Mr. Herman is being cared for by his wife, who with her children, had come to her parents' home on a short visit. It is supposed that he contracted the disease in Altoona where they have their home.

Disposition of Unclaimed Bodies.

The State Anatomical Society has sent a communication to poor directors saying that the bodies of all inmates of the poor house whose remains are not claimed by relatives must be shipped to Philadelphia for dissection. Payment of the burial expenses is all that will save the remains from going to the dissecting table.

The saw mill of the Glen Union Lumber company was closed down for the season.

OUR HISTORICAL REVIEW

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by these Indians. Escape was impossible and she was taken captive. Mr. Wirebach learned of her fate and that she was taken to the west. Some years afterwards, when peace had been established, and amicable relations again existed between the whites and Indians, Mr. Wirebach resolved to journey to the West in quest of his daughter.

After a considerable search he discovered her, under conditions which must have been peculiarly distressing. She was married to an Indian and was already the mother of several children. What must have been his feelings when he caressed the tawny, black eyed, straight haired little ones and reflected that they were his grandchildren!

A FAITHFUL WIFE.

The story of Susan Wirebach, like that of Mary Jamison, is soon told. She positively refused to leave her dusky companion and friends, and was never known to return even to visit her kindred. Mr. Wirebach died in 1799, leaving a family now honorably established in Union, Centre and Clearfield counties. STORY OF THE EMERICK FAMILY.

There are a number of entries in the records of Northumberland County at Sunbury and also at Lewisburg, in Union county, that are unique in character and we believe nothing similar can be found in the United States. One of these entries is a power of attorney given by Archibald Thompson, of Stamford, Upper Canada, and his wife, Catharine, formerly the wife of David Emerick, deceased, given to James Thompson, of the same place, and intermarried with Margaret Emerick, authorizing him to collect their interests in the rents, issues, profits of lands and all the goods and chattels late of David Emerick, and also from their heirs and executors of Cosard Sharp, of Berks county, their interests in his estate. The paper is dated at Willoughby, Upper Canada, and acknowledged before Archibald Stewart, and recorded at Sunbury, March 4, 1904. Behind this, and other entries, lies a story in which tragedy, romance and strange miscarriage of the equities of life are blended in a marvelous degree. Will it not shock the moral sensibilities of the reader to be told that David Emerick, whose estate is sought to be taken, was cruelly murdered by Indians and half breeds, that his widow became the wife of one of the marauders, and a daughter is supposed to have married a son of this same man, and now these men take legal steps, twenty-five years later, to recover the estates of the man whom they helped to slay. Incredible as it seems, it is nevertheless true!

David Emerick and his wife, Catharine, were among the first settlers of Dry Valley, about ten miles north of Sunbury, now in Union county. His plantation embraced about 300 acres of the finest lands in the valley. Three miles north across the Shamokin mountain lived his brother-in-law. Both families had come from the upper parts of Berks, now in Dauphin county.

In April, 1781, Bickle was assisting Emerick in making a clearing, they were surprised by a band of Niagara Indians and half breeds. They shot Bickle and captured the entire Emerick family. After plundering the house they at once started for the mountains, having first loaded Emerick with stuff from his own house.

They had not gone far when Mrs. Emerick, who was carrying her child, showed some signs of fatigue, whereupon the hostiles took the child and impaled it. Presently Mr. Emerick refused to go further. He, too, was at once dispatched.

The band by keeping on the mountain over the Nippenoos and Pine Creek route, evaded the settlements and reached Niagara without being overtaken. In crossing the mountains one of the Emerick girls was taken with bleeding of the nose, which getting beyond control, the poor girl bled to death. Upon their arrival at Niagara, Mrs. Catherine Emerick and her daughters, Margaret and Catharine, were adopted by the Indians, and quite soon thereafter Mrs. Emerick married Archibald Thompson, a half-breed, who is said on good authority to have been with the marauding party that devastated the Emerick home. Her daughter married James Thompson, supposed to have been a son of Archibald, and Catharine married George Bauder, presumably a white.

Many years after the sad occurrence Mrs. Emerick and her husband visited the old homestead in Union county, and from thence they proceeded to Dauphin and Berks counties to receive her patrimony. That Thompson was a half-breed and a member of the marauding party seems to be well established from the lips of aged people who came in contact with them on their visit it is evident that the Emerick woman became infatuated with the abandonment of the semi-civilized people of Niagara, and readily adopted their way of life. On their visit Mrs. Thompson (see Emerick) was mounted on a richly caparisoned pony, and she herself was bedecked with all the tinsel and gewgaws and fancy colored clothing so characteristic of a barbarous state of life.

From the records it is apparent that they experienced some trouble in closing

their affairs in Pennsylvania. In the testimony of a litigation growing out of the validity of a title to one of the original Emerick properties, it would seem that Margaret, the daughter and her husband, James Thompson, were still living as late as 1834 in the vicinity of Lewistown, on the Niagara.

(REV. A. STAPLETON.)

Change in Schedule.

The new fall and winter time table, on the Tyrone Division Pa. R. R., goes into effect on the 29th of November and a number of changes are made on the Bald Eagle Valley. The official table has not been issued, but the following changes for Bellefonte are known:

Train No. 52 will leave Bellefonte at 1:25 p. m. going east for Lock Haven to connect with the Buffalo Flyer. The shifting crew, which formerly left here at 1:05 p. m. to connect with train No. 52 at Milesburg, has been withdrawn and for that reason there will be no more transfer of passengers at Milesburg. Heretofore there was difficulty to reach Lock Haven in time to make eastern connections, on the Buffalo Flyer. In order to better the service it is reported that this train will not stop at some of the smaller stations along the Bald Eagle Valley.

On the Snow Shoe Branch train No. 64 will arrive at Bellefonte at 4:25 p. m. instead of 5:20 p. m.; and train No. 64 will leave Bellefonte for Snow Shoe at 5 p. m. instead of 5:45 p. m.

Boy Kills a Bear.

Haven Farwell, the 17-year old son of E. B. Farwell, of Beech Creek, while hunting for small game at the head of Perney run Saturday came across a bear and killed it with a load of fine shot and another of buckshot.

STOP! THINK!

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