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A HELPING HAND FOR A FAMOUS LAMB

Reason Why He was Nominated This Year

LIQUOR INTERESTS FOR LOVE

Outside Beer Brewers Want to Select the Judge in Centre County—Boasting What Will be Done the Last Week—Lamb's Appeal to Christians

"Mary had a little lamb, its fleece was white as snow," etc., but that is not the creature the Gazette would have us know. In the following paragraph we have a Lovely Lamb:

"George Lamb is a temperate man but is connected with a hotel as a means of making a living. He is anxious to get into some other business and asks the people to give him an opportunity to do it. Is it just and right, *is it manly*? is it displaying a proper christian spirit to refuse him a helping hand? Is his offense so grievous that he should be refused reparation? Give him a chance and he will prove one of the best officers Centre county has ever had in office."—Gazette.

This poor little Lamb resides in Philipsburg, Pa., is a bartender by occupation and now is the republican nominee for prothonotary of Centre county. No, this is not Mary's famous lamb of immaculate fleece—it is one of Judge Love's political creatures. During the years of 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901 and 1902, George E. Lamb was a regular applicant for "Wholesale Beer License at Philipsburg" before Judge Love and generally got all he applied for. In Philipsburg he always was one who could make himself useful on election day—a politician among the boys and one of Love's supporters in the famous fight against Hastings. The appeal to give Lamb a helping hand is a useless effort—he will never get in sight of the Prothonotaryship. Reports from all sections of the county indicate a protest to his election that is simply a general revolt. The public owe him nothing; nor are they willing to consider the Court House a hospital or reformatory for unfortunates soliciting help.

Mr. Lamb is a young, robust, healthy man; in the vigor of manhood, and in the full possession of his faculties. If he did not like the business he has followed these many years why did he not get out long ago from behind the bar and hustle like other mortals for a living? The bleating of this Lamb will not arouse much christian sympathy.

Why was he nominated? When the republican county ticket was framed the wishes of Judge Love were respected; every move was in behalf of his candidacy. Lamb was selected so as to attract a certain following in Philipsburg and Rush township. About the same move as when Harry Washburn, a noted Gordon politician in Clearfield county, hopped across the Clearfield county line after Gordon's defeat and, before he had actually warmed a seat in Centre county, Judge Love last March granted him a liquor license near Osceola. Why were so many liquor dealers in Philipsburg and adjoining districts booming Judge Love in their barrooms early in the campaign? Why did the wholesale brewers from Altoona and other sections have representatives in this county recently howling for Love and flaunting money for their favorite, but which they were afraid to place? What is the wonderful "thing" these brewery agents proclaim will happen the last week of the campaign that will save Love? Do they propose to flood our county with their concoctions in the hope of determining who shall be the next judge of our courts?

If the liquor interests of the county are not working in this direction, pray then what does it indicate.

CONDUCTOR BATTERED.

A brutal assault was made on Conductor Snyder of the Tyrone division of the Pennsylvania railroad Saturday night by a party of six men from the steel works at Hyde City, just above Clearfield.

The men boarded the train without tickets and when the conductor came along they said they were going to Philipsburg, and one of them, named McClure, handed out a \$5 bill. The conductor took it and said he did not have the change, but would get it in a few minutes. McClure at once attacked Conductor Snyder. The commotion brought the brakeman into the car and the conductor grabbed the brakeman's lantern to use in defending himself. The others of the steel mill party then joined in the row and the gang overpowered Snyder, got him down in the aisle and beat him terribly, his condition being so serious that he was hurried on through to Tyrone, where his family resides, and taken to the hospital.

McClure, who started the attack, jumped from the train as it neared Philipsburg and escaped, but three of the others were placed under arrest and locked up. They were held there until Monday and then brought to Clearfield.

FOOLING FARMERS.

"Judge Love is a farmer's boy and helped to clear his father's farm of 160 acres in the Barrens. Mr. Orvis is a young man who was raised in the lap of luxury and seldom went out of his way to address the 'horny handed farmer' unless he had legal business with him. If this campaign does nothing else for Mr. Orvis it will teach him that a good farmer is more to be respected than the members of any profession, for they are the little wheels under the locomotive which make the thing go, while lawyers, doctors and editors are the brass mountings put there to make it look nice."—From the Keystone Gazette.

When the occupation of your parents must be paraded before the public for political advantage it indicates weakness in the candidacy of an aspirant for judicial honors. Young America has no time to hear about pedigree, family tree ancestry or circumstances of birth, but they value individual merit,—the man—what he has done, what he is, and what he may be.

Theodore Roosevelt was not born on a farm, but was reared in the lap of luxury, and inherited millions. Judge Parker was a poor farmer's boy who struggled against hard fate. Circumstances of birth have no influence among thinking people in deciding between these men. Mighty few republicans will vote for Parker simply because he was a poor farmer's boy.

If Judge Love stands for the farmer boy why did he allow farmer John A. Daley and farmer-son A. A. Dale to be pushed aside, and urged for legislative nominees, Phil Womelsdorf the mining engineer, and John Knisely the proprietor of a cigar store and pool room? For the same office the democrats nominated farmer J. W. Kepler, and Veteran John Noll, who was born and reared on the farm.

For prothonotary they threw down a good man, a farmer all his life, Jacob R. Bible of Potter township for George E. Lamb, for many years a wholesale beer seller and now a bartender. For this office the democrats nominated Arthur B. Kimport who was born and reared on the farm and now is a tenant farmer in Harris township.

The fact is Ellis Orvis lived some years on a farm, attended the Farm School, now State College, even is the son of a Soldier which very few know, but none of these things should be sought for or against him in this campaign. The point is the man—he is eminently qualified in learning, in experience, in all the phases of character and disposition to preside over our Courts. He has no favorites to advance, political enemies to crush, or selfish motives to gratify.

Dynamite in a Sheaf.

It is reported that on Monday while Milton Poust, of Penn township, near Muncy, was hauling buckwheat from the field to the barn, his son Harry Poust, who was assisting in the work, discovered a stick of dynamite in a sheaf of the buckwheat. The stick, which had been hidden in the sheaf, fell to the floor while Harry Poust was lifting it with a fork from the wagon into the barn.

The treacherous explosive was powerful enough to blow the barn into atoms, and had the sheaf containing the dynamite been put into the threshing, which probably would have been the case had it not been discovered, there might have been a terrible accident, causing both loss of life and property. There is no clue as to who placed the dynamite in the sheaf.

Youth Was Shot.

As Russel Haney, aged 16 years, son of Austin Haney of Lawrence township, Clearfield county, was bringing the cows from the woods he carried his breech loading shot gun with him, as has been his custom. He stopped at times and filled his pockets with chestnuts and as he walked along eating the chestnuts his gun slipped off his shoulder and in some way the gun was discharged and the entire load of shot was fired into his heel, tearing it fearfully and breaking the bones. No one being near him he called loudly and his mother hearing him went to his assistance and helped him home. Dr. Stewart was called and after he examined the wound expressed the fear that the foot would have to be amputated. The young man was taken to the Clearfield hospital.

Sunbury to Selinsgrove.

Among the charters granted at the State Department at Harrisburg, Monday, was one to the Sunbury and Selinsgrove Street Railway Company. This corporation, which was recently formed, is capitalized at \$30,000. L. G. Brown, of York, is president. This will be an important link in the chain of trolley lines now being built, and will mean the opening of new territory. With this connection Snyder county will be easily accessible.

The new line will later be extended to the numerous villages and towns in Snyder county which are at present off the railroad, which includes Freeburg, Kantz and Kratzerville.

PHIL. WOMELSDORF AND HIS RECORD

Voted for Bad Legislation and Increased Salaries

HE OPPOSED GOV. HASTINGS

Tried to Embarrass and Humiliate That Administration—Like Judge Love, Must Stand on His Record—How He Voted—A Few Instances Cited

STATESMAN Phil Womelsdorf's record is in order now. He was in the legislature in 1895, and is now again on the republican ticket for the same office instead of the soldier veteran, John A. Daley who was laid on the shelf. Womelsdorf voted for the entire series of boodle acts that were brought forward in that notorious session by the Quay gang. Here are some of them:

On that most infamous measure, the Standard Oil Company's pipe line bill by which the price of coal oil was almost doubled, Phil Womelsdorf dodged; Womelsdorf was present for we find him voting on another proposition only a brief time before the pipe line bill passed. This bill, in raising the price of oil, takes out of the pockets of Centre county families upwards of

\$40,000 ANNUALLY!

Farmers, mechanics, laborers, how do you like that of Phil? This \$40,000 is additional profit that goes to the Standard monopoly.

On page 2543, Leg. Record, we find Phil voting to increase the Adj. General's salary, creating two new and useless clerkships, and to increase salary of Banking Commissioner, and page 330, reorganizing Banking Department with new officials, an additional expense of

\$17,000 ANNUALLY.

On page 2651, we find Phil voting for creating the new and unneeded Department of Agriculture, with supernumeraries, and the places filled by politicians and cost the taxpayers upwards of

\$18,000 ANNUALLY!

On page 630 we find Phil dodging the vote in favor of creating new and unnecessary Senate and House officers, soft snaps for political loafers and heelers, an extra expense of

\$10,000 EACH SESSION!

On page 3753 we find Phil voting in favor of creating the new and useless office of Deputy Auditor General, a nice plum, throwing away

\$3000 ANNUALLY!

On page 3425 we find Phil voting in favor of increasing the salary of the Superintendent of Public Buildings from \$1400 to

\$3000 PER YEAR!

On page 160 we find the vote on the famous Bird Book job, which was put out in costly style to grace the libraries of the rich and city folks while not one out of fifty farmers could get one. Phil voted for it; it's where a member contemptuously remarked, "What's a \$100,000." This was a clean

\$100,000 THROWN AWAY.

The above is only a sample of how that infamous legislature voted away the people's money. The jobs and steals of that blackest of all sessions amounted to about one million dollars!

And where is Phil Womelsdorf found when these outrages were being committed against the people? You find him voting for creating new offices and raising salaries.

J. W. Kepler was a member and has no such a record as that of Womelsdorf, it is entirely clean. John Noll's past life is a guarantee that he will not have a record like that of Womelsdorf. Tax payers, it is to your interest to vote for Kepler and Noll for assembly. Womelsdorf and Knisely will vote for all the extravagance that the machine bids them vote for.

In connection with the above, one fact should not be overlooked. Mr. Womelsdorf always prided himself upon his independence. We like to hear of men who have convictions, are conscientious, and courageous. The notable fact about Womelsdorf's career was to wear the machine collar. During the latter period of Hastings' term the Governor had to face one of the most corrupt legislatures that ever assembled at Harrisburg. He vetoed bad measures, put a stop to all kinds of jobs and steals, prepared by the machine to raid the treasury. For this heroic stand Gov. Hastings received the praise of well thinking people, and the approval of the independent press in this and other states.

Gov. Hastings was Centre County's Governor at that time and our people, irrespective of party, were proud of the good work he was doing to check the flood of vicious legislation. At this time Representative Womelsdorf displayed his independence and courage—was doing all in his power, by intrigue, voice and vote to annoy, harass and discredit

Gov. Hastings, laudable efforts. Womelsdorf did everything as a legislator to embarrass the administration or humiliate Centre county's honored executive.

These statements are not mere declaration or allegation. The average reader can recall those things, it is fact and belongs to the machine's history.

No doubt Womelsdorf "stands on his record," too. It is well for the conscientious voter to keep this in mind—what that record was—when they vote in November.

THE EASTERN WAR.

For three days there has been sharp fighting a little north of the railway town of Yental, between Liao Yang and Mukden. The Russian advance was checked and the attacking force was compelled to retire. The latest accounts report a terrific artillery fight in progress. In military circles it is not considered as being the magnitude of a general engagement such as is expected to come, possibly within a few days. This battle, when it is fought, is expected to be decisive of this year's campaign.

The latest dispatches yesterday were:

A BLOODY BATTLE.

A bloody battle is now raging about six miles north of Yen-Yai railroad station. The Japanese on Sunday fell back along the whole front and the Russian advance guards crossed the Schill river (about half way between Mukden and Liao-Yang) and came within three miles of Yen-Tai, but yesterday the Japanese received strong reinforcements of infantry and artillery and not only held their positions, but even assumed the offensive. The fighting lasted the entire day and night. The Japanese directed the artillery fire with great skill and searching the Russian positions so fiercely that the Russians fell back north of the Schill river, which crosses the railroad seven miles from Yen-Tai. The Russians resumed their advance once more, crossed the Schill river and engaged the Japanese two miles south of it. A terrific artillery engagement is proceeding along the entire front. The result of the battle is still undecided.

The situation about Port Arthur remains unchanged.

Dedicatory Services.

The Bald Eagle Baptist church, at Martha, of which Rev. A. C. Lathrop is pastor, will soon be ready for divine services. The remodeled church presents a very attractive and pretty appearance, and is a great improvement over the old building. It is to be re-opened with appropriate dedicatory services on Sunday, Oct. 23d. The morning service will consist of a meeting in behalf of the Sabbath school at 9:30 o'clock followed by preaching service at 10:30 o'clock. In the afternoon at 2 o'clock will be a platform meeting to be addressed by former pastors and neighboring ministers. It is expected at this time to have the formal dedicatory service. In the evening there will be a Young People's Rally at 6:30, followed by preaching service. Among the ministers expected from a distance are Rev. Calvin Hare, D. D., of Lewisburg; Rev. G. W. Downing, of Pittsboro; and Rev. Frank Howes, of Tyrone. A cordial invitation is extended to the public and all neighboring churches to unite with them in worship on this joyful occasion.

Had a Pleasant Evening.

Last Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Robert Edmiston gave a dance at their home near State College. Music was furnished by Slagle's orchestra and the young folks "tripped the light fantastic toe" until the wee hours of the morning. Those present were: Misses Ruth Lytle, Mary Slagle, Eleanor Ewing, Cora Edmiston, Carrie Osman, Jennie O'Neil, Bertha Tressler, Sue Stone, Mable Peters, Lizzie Orner, Annie Hartwick. Messrs. John Snyder, John Lytle, James Kline, Harry Cramer, Cash Snyder, Joe Harvey, James Fulton, Elliott Soners, Paul Marts, Clifford Close, Albert O'Neil, Ad. Hartwick, Luther and Arthur Peters.

Drinks Caroblic Acid.

Charles Englert, Jr., a young man of about 20 years, who lives with his parents in Flemington, walked into Wait's drug store in that borough Tuesday forenoon about 9 o'clock, purchased a vial of caroblic acid and returning to his parents' home, swallowed a portion of the contents of the bottle, lit a cigarette and lay down on the lounge. The members of the young man's family quickly discovered the agony into which he had thrown himself and Dr. G. A. Beck, of the town, was hastily summoned, who later was joined by Dr. A. B. Painter, of Mill Hill. Dr. Beck is of the opinion that he will recover.

Not a Politician.

"They insinuate that Mr. Orvis is not a politician. We admit this for argument's sake—in fact WE BELIEVE IT."—From Keystone Gazette.

EARLY SETTLERS AT FREEPORT

Centre Countians Who Were Pioneers in Illinois.

WENT THERE 50 YEARS AGO

Biographical Sketches that will Interest Many of Our Readers—A Centre County Colony Located about Freeport

The Freeport Bulletin is printing a list of citizens who have lived in Illinois fifty years and longer. Among the names we find the following, natives of Centre county:

MUSSENA P. MITCHELL—is in his 93rd year, was born at Aaronsburg, May 6, 1812, came to Chicago in 1839 and to Stephenson county in 1841. In 1832 he was married to Maria Ruth, who was born in 1815. Mrs. Mitchell has been dead a number of years. Mr. Mitchell is the father of four children; he was a tailor by trade, but after coming to Illinois he followed farming. When he reached Freeport in 1841 there were only five or six houses in the town.

HUGH RUNKLE—is in his seventy-ninth year, was born in Centre county, Pa., Oct. 5, 1825, and came west many years ago. In 1851 he married Hannah Frye, who is in her seventy-fourth year. They are the parents of nine children, six of whom are living. Both he and Mrs. Runkle are vigorous and active.

Mrs. JOHN FRYBARGER—whose name was Elizabeth Ault, was born Oct. 17, 1813, in Centre county, Pa., and came west sixty-three years ago. She was united in marriage with Mr. Frybarger, Oct. 29, 1835, and is the mother of eleven children, nine of whom are living.

JAMES BECK—was born at Jacksonville, Centre county, Pa., Feb. 17, 1822, and came west about forty years ago. He has been married twice, and his second wife is still living. He is the father of five children, two by the first marriage, one of whom is dead, and three by the second. He is not active as he suffers considerably from rheumatism.

Mrs. CHARLOTTE C. RICHARD—who is in her 81st year, was born March 31, 1824, at Spring Mills, Centre county, Pa.; came to Stephenson county in June 1841 with her father, Henry Ault and family. Shortly after her arrival in Illinois she was united in marriage with Jackson Richard, who died Oct. 8, 1900. Mrs. Richard is the mother of four children. Notwithstanding her advanced years she is very active.

PHILIP MUSSER—of Lena, who is now in his 82nd year, was born near Millheim, Feb. 19, 1823. He was united in marriage with Miss Sarah Biker, who died July 31, 1898. In May 1853, in company with John Schmeltzer and family and Charles Henney and family, they came west and located at Cedarville, moving to Lena shortly after, where he has since resided. Mr. Musser is a carpenter by trade. Notwithstanding his advanced years, he continues to work. He has three children living.

THOS. ELBERT—of Dakota, was born at Boalsburg, March 2, 1834, and having come to this county in 1842, he can be classed with the old settlers of the county. Mrs. Elbert is in her sixty-seventh year and came to Illinois in 1844. They were the parents of three children. In 1852 he went to California and remained until 1856.

Mrs. SARAH WEBSTER—who was a native of Centre county, Pa., was born May 19, 1825; came west in 1840, accompanied by her parents, and on Oct. 6, 1843, she married Chas. Webster, a native of Canada, who was born Sept. 13, 1816. When she arrived in Winslow sixty-four years ago there were a mill, two logs houses, one frame house and one store and hotel in the village.

SAMUEL OSWALD—was born in Centre county, Pa., Aug. 8, 1838, and came to Illinois some forty years ago. About fifty years ago he married Sarah Fisher, and to them twelve children were born, nine of whom are still living. Mr. Oswald is a plasterer by trade and is active. Mrs. Oswald has been dead several years.

WILLIAM H. KRYDER—of Cedarville, who is in his 70th year, and has been in the county sixty-two years, was born in Centre county, Pa. He came by wagon with his parents and a number of others, making a party of sixteen. Mr. Kryder was married April 9th, 1859, to Miss Sarah E. Williams. They are the parents of seven children. He enlisted in Co. E, 146 Illinois volunteers and was to the front about a year before he was discharged.

Mrs. JANE MILLER—whose maiden name was Jane Evans, was born in Centre county, Pa., 86 years ago; came to Illinois in 1844 with her husband, Henry Miller, who died about twenty-five years ago. Mrs. Miller is the mother of three children. She makes her home with her daughter Mrs. Evans.

LOT EVANS—of Orangeville, who is in his 83rd year, came to Stephenson county many years ago from Centre county, Pa. Mrs. Evans, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Decker, died April 20, 1900. Mr. Evans is the father of three children. He was a plasterer by trade and followed farming for many years ago. He was a soldier in the civil war. He is in feeble health.

SAMUEL LAMB—was born in Centre county, Penn., Sept. 17th, 1814, and came to Stephenson county in 1845, accompanied by his wife and one daughter and settled on his farm in 1846 where he still resides. His wife died Oct. 3rd, 1883. He has two children living.

DAVID ROCKEY—was a native of Tyroneville, Pa., was born May 30, 1820, and came west in an early day. He married Mary Paul, who passed away several years ago. He is the father of nine children. He is in poor health, having

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FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright, Sparkling Paragraphs—Selected and Original.

HOME.

Whether in the Arctic Circle
Or on India's coral strands,
Where the winds are perfume laden
And warm waves caress the sands,
Whether eastward, whether westward,
When the daylight fades to gloom
Where a baby runs to meet you
And to kiss you, that is home,
Where a baby runs to meet you—
That is all there is in life;
All there is at all worth winning,
Worth the slaving and the strife;
Two wee dimpled arms stretched to you,
Two expectant eyes that wait;
It is home for you wherever
There's a baby at the gate.

It is home—sweet home—forever,
Where the hills of laughter run,
Of a Tousele-headed baby,
Sitting playing in the sun;
It is home where every night time
As the evening shadows creep
A wee night-robed figure whispers:
"Now I lay me down to sleep."
—Houston Post.

The lamp-post stands in its own light,
It takes the long green to paint the town red.

We should scarcely refer to a doctor's bill as pillage.

The man who writes an oil prospectus is generally a gusher.

An inquisitive person is not always a questionable character.

Wherever there is a fall opening the women manage to drop in.

Buying oleomargarine might be considered equivalent to getting fat.

An optimist is a man who wears a celluloid collar and hopes that other people will think it linen.

Any man can take a newspaper. It is the cheapest thing he can buy. Every time the hen cackles and lays an egg, his paper is paid for that week. It comes to you every week, rain or shine, calm or storm. No matter what happens it opens the door of the great world and puts you face to face with its own people and its great events. It shortens the long winter nights. It helps to brighten and enlighten your homes during the hot dull season. It is your advisor, gossipier and friend. No man is just to his children who does not give them the local paper. No man is good to himself who does not take his home paper.

A MILD WINTER.

Weather Prophet Tells of the Coming Winter.

For years Abraham Strausser, of Bloomsburg, has made a study of the weather, winds, and the moon to such an extent that he has become a successful weather prognosticator. For years he has foretold what the coming seasons would be like and it is seldom that his prophecy has been wrong. Strausser says that the winter is regulated by the wind on the 29th of September. When the wind is from the north the winter will be long and cold. When it is from the east there will be a great deal of snow. When the winds are variable the winter will be open and sloppy, and wind from the south and west indicate a mild winter.

The wind on the above date came continually from the south and west without a particle of variation, and you can put it down that we will have a mild winter, with little snow. There will be no sleighing before Christmas. Last year the wind blew directly from the north and the winter was severe and long. Strausser claims he has not missed foretelling the weather for many years.

Eats Cracked Ice.

Twenty-seven days without any food is the record of J. Newton Deeter, Mechanicsburg. This lack of diet is improving the faster's physical condition, which was run down because of intestinal troubles, and he was feeling better than for some time. Mr. Deeter stopped abruptly from solid foods and began a course in sterilized water. Unlike Wilcox, of West Fairview, whose methods he is in some particulars emulating, the Mechanicsburg man has taken nothing but water. This so weakened his digestive organs that his stomach refused to retain the water and on Tuesday of this week he commenced a diet of cracked ice which has proved beneficial. How long the fast will last, Deeter is unable to say. His original intention was not to prolong the abstinence from food beyond a few weeks, which he thought would restore his health, and not attract undue notoriety. In his present state it is impossible for anything to remain in his stomach and he will not attempt taking any form of food until the indications are that it can be received and retained.

The Greatest Curse.

"A party and an electioneering judge is the greatest curse that ever fell upon a free people. Public satisfaction cannot be given, nor public confidence inspired. I pity such an unfortunate judge.—Justice Jonathan Walker.