

FRANCIS SPEER'S Breezy "THAT" Column

THAT some young men in Bellefonte haven't enough troubles of their own, so they get married.

THAT Dr. H. W. Hafer, the Bellefonte dentist, says that teeth are like verbs, when they are regular and irregular.

THAT some young men in Bellefonte look for work with the same enthusiasm they look for a needle in a haystack.

THAT Kline Woodring, the Bellefonte hunter, says that birds of a feather flock together until you go gunning for them.

THAT Secretary Meserve or any other Bible student in Bellefonte will tell you that if a stone fell in the Red Sea it would get wet.

THAT a certain prominent church member in Bellefonte should not wink at the bartender when he calls for a glass of lemonade. He should be a man and ask boldly for what he wants.

THAT it is said the other day a Pittsburg man found a pearl in his oyster soup. It's intrinsic value was about \$50. But that is nothing, there are authentic cases in Bellefonte where a man found an oyster in his soup.

THAT some of the women of Bellefonte are becoming very sensitive about the silver hairs among the gold, but Henry Linn, of Bellefonte, the progressive and genial proprietor of the China Hall thinks that it is not nearly so heart-rending as a bald patch under a blond pompadour. Henry's head is level.

THAT the Bellefonte church choirs are about the very best to be found in a town the size of Bellefonte in the state, but if they get obstreperous and go on a strike all that would be necessary would be to inaugurate a phonograph choir; nobody would know the difference till the deacon should go to the choir loft to take up the collection.

THAT there is a fellow in Bellefonte who is very ugly with his wife. The neighbors are watching the thing up very closely and the time is coming when this gentleman will get just what he deserves. He would have gotten it long ago but for the scandal it would make. This is something more than a joke, and the right person had better read the handwriting on the wall.

THAT a certain young man in Bellefonte had better keep his mouth closed as he walks along the street. He has a good bit of brass to walk along our thoroughfares, and insult decent girls. It doesn't matter whether this blackguard is drunk or not, his name will be "mud" one of these days, and the change will be quick. For the right man, this "tip" is worth to him more than dollars and cents.

THAT there is no use of talking, "Billy Brouse, of Bellefonte, can't catch a girl on candy that costs but thirty cents a pound. She will know the difference, all right, so he had better be careful or she will throw him overboard. When a young man is courting a girl and is giving him a good time he ought to send her candy that cost at the very least \$1.50 a pound. This is an elegant suggestion, in case the young man wants to win out.

THAT if you are anxious to know just what way the wind is blowing just keep one eye skinned on our good friend Tommy Sexton, Esq., of Bellefonte, and the indications are that you can come pretty close to it. It looks very much as if he had been reading the Good Book where it says that it is not good for man to live alone, and he is going to heed the injunction. You know all signs fail sometimes, but the probabilities are that in this case it's sure thing, all to the good.

THAT there are lots of two-faced men in Bellefonte who have only one mug at the barber shop.

THAT they say that there was a girl at the Centre County Fair who asked whether an incubator could cluck like a hen.

THAT Newlin Irwin, of Bellefonte, the hustling young planning mill man, says the old saying "The more the merrier" doesn't apply to bolts.

THAT "Buckey" Williams, the expert painter and paper hanger, of Bellefonte, says that when he glazes glass he always finds it a "paneul" duty.

THAT we have known of some young men in Bellefonte so dead in love with a rich young lady that they were willing to lay their liabilities at her feet.

THAT if some men in Bellefonte when they die would make their wives promise not to marry again, they would be doing their fellow men a great favor.

THAT the young lady in Bellefonte who is about to marry a young man to reform him will never have time to do anything else. She will be entering into a life's contract.

THAT the young man who drives around Bellefonte quite frequently with a horse and buggy should put a blanket on the horse or paint some other color when he stops at certain places to make a call. The people are getting next.

THAT a young man in Bellefonte is trying to please two girls and it keeps him awake late at night planning how he will continue and not be caught up. One of these fair maidens resides in Bellefonte and the other over the mountain. Now, can you guess who the spalpeen is?

THAT the other day Sylvester Ray, proprietor of the Bellefonte shirt factory, was packing some goods when his watch slipped out of his pocket into the box. He therefore came within an ace of shipping a "tick" with the contents, and that would have been more than his order called for.

THAT some men in Bellefonte don't rob the poor, as the burglars robbed Blair's jewelry store, but they wait until they get what he has for a song at a tax sale, and then they pride themselves on their good fortune. If there is a literal hell, don't you think that their souls will add fire to the flames?

THAT it is said that a man with a sunburned nose from Bellefonte was recently traveling in a boat from Philadelphia to Cape May when he asked one of the deck hands on the steamboat where they kept the life preservers. "Down on the lower deck, you will find the bar," replied the deck hand, with a wink.

THAT it is getting to that time in the year when young men and young women in Bellefonte will have to get a warmer place to do their courting than in the Union cemetery. It's a wonder that the ghosts haven't gotten them long ago. When you come to think of it, they have been kissing and hugging in a "grave" place.

THAT Bellefonte has in it a number of men who do nothing but think of money and after they do get it, it sticks with them like a fly to slypaper. Some of these fellows laugh at the idea of a literal hell as taught in the Bible Suppose, notwithstanding their long protestations, that there should be a literal hell, how much money do you think they would give to get out of the torment? Thou fool, go up into the Union cemetery and consider, for it won't be long until all you will own is about six feet of earth, and few conscientious mourners.

LIST OF JURORS.

- List of Grand Jurors drawn for the fourth Monday of November, 1906. Ezra H. Auman, Thomas Armstrong, Wilson Bilger, S. M. Campbell, Harvey Crause, Lawrence Crouse, Phillip D. Foster, J. B. Gutzler, James P. Gove, Charles Gritman, Geo. W. Howarth, Budd Hastings, William Hipple, Edward Isenbarg, J. Y. Merryman, C. H. McCausland, Charles McCoy, C. R. Neff, Peter Sones, Wilson Stiver, William Stiner, D. P. Thomas, James Uzzle, William Woods, List of Traverse Jurors drawn for fourth Monday of November, 1906. Samuel Alay, Joseph B. Ard, Thomas Axton, James Black, Burdine Butler, A. M. Bower, M. L. Beck, Sim Batcher, Jacob Confer, L. W. Dorman, A. V. Dougherty, Jesse C. Dunlap, Harry Ellenberger, Samuel Everhart, Harry Fitzhobbs, Charles Frank, L. B. Frank, John A. Fortney, Ephraim Gardner, David Gonsallus, John Gray, Geo. E. Harper, William Hoffren, David C. Hall, David Irvin, Henry Johnson, A. M. Kreamer, W. F. Lingle, Richard Lutz, A. D. Lingle, Perry Moran, Henry Moyer, Austin Matley, J. E. Miller, John Mosley.

- William Orr, W. C. Patterson, Daniel Rika, H. D. Romberger, John Tager, John Solt, Edward Sheffer, C. C. Shuey, John Shay, James B. Spangler, W. H. Smith, A. C. Williams, Harris Watson, List of Traverse Jurors Drawn for the first Monday of December, 1906. Lewis Boon, Ira Brungart, John Barnes Jr., Charles Bjerly, John D. Barker, Soomen Bonford, James Culver, Ezeah Confer, Jacob Crider, William Flack, Frank F. Shburn, George W. Fisher, Harvey Fike, John Gumbo, A. C. Grove, C. E. Grelst, Daniel Gale, Zwinley Hoy, H. B. Hering, John T. Hunter, H. M. Kaupp, Thomas Lingle, P. E. Meyer, Samuel Martie, Theodore Musser, A. M. Martin, Frank Palmer, William Quick, B. F. Shaffer, Perry C. Steele, Joseph L. Smith, John Todd, Percival Thorp, J. A. Tobias, J. L. Way, J. A. Walk, Henry W. Wolf, Charles Wythes, John H. Wanner, John S. Yearick.

Figure it Out.

A man had 60 ducks for sale and divided them into two lots of 30 each. One lot was to be disposed of at three for \$1 and the other at two for \$1. In his absence his clerk sold the 60 ducks at five for \$2, realizing the sum of \$24. If sold according to instructions one purchaser would have got 30 ducks for \$15 and the other 30 for \$10, making \$25 for the lot. What became of the missing dollar?

A Voice from the Bald Eagle.

HANNAH, CENTRE CO. PENNA., Oct. 22nd, 1906.

Hon. P. Gray Meek—

EDITOR OF THE DEMOCRATIC WATCHMAN.

MY DEAR SIR:

Although not a member of the party your paper speaks for, I have been a subscriber and reader of it for many years, ever since I took any interest in political affairs. I have read the best I could obtain, giving the views of our writers of all political creeds. There is no one political party that possesses all the virtues and trusts to be learned. When you get the best you are still far from what will come some time in the future. We are now in a great and momentous struggle for decent, honest and truthful administration of our "State Government," and I feel it to be the righteous duty of every good citizen to do all that he possibly can, that is honorable, to bring about in our State a reformation in every department of government at Harrisburg. I feel outraged by the acts of those whom I trust. I feel ashamed to confess that I could be so duped and lied to. Men calling themselves "Republicans" and leaders of the party, to be such consummate deceivers. It is bad enough to commit the acts, but it is worse and more of it to undertake to conceal it. If Mr. BERRY had not been sent there by the outraged people the scamps would have managed to conceal their acts. I want to say to every man that voils for his daily bread, that is a voter in our county, to declare his freedom and vote for LEWIS EMERY and all the rest of the ticket. Down with all political bosses.

BE SURE AND VOTE FOR THE MAN THAT YOU KNOW WILL NOT VOTE FOR PENROSE OR ANY OF HIS SERVANTS.

Do not vote for the man for "Governor" by the name of "STUART" who goes over the State making promises to you of reform. What was he doing for reform in "Philadelphia" when the good people of that city were up in arms against the Machine organization? Not one word of comfort did the outraged citizens get from him. If all these abuses have come about through this Organization or Machine that he stands for and he is a member of do you think he will be any better than they are? This slight of hand trick was played on us when that "poor old man," PENNYPACKER, was picked out for us to vote for. I pity the man on account of the company he has to keep. If PENNYPACKER desired to rid himself of the "Gang" he is powerless to do it. The same thing would be played over again with "STUART" for Governor.

Who is "STUART"? Well he is a rich bachelor who was once Mayor of Philadelphia and is president of the Union League of Philadelphia, the great rich club of Republicans in that city. While he was Mayor of the city all this ballot box stuffing and cheating went on and by such means they could elect any one they wanted to. Mr. STUART must have known that this was done. If he did not know, it shows that he is not fit to be a Governor.

Voters, do not be hoodwinked again. The day is here to rout the whole pack out. You will be told by the "Gangsters" that you are not supporting your "President"; that you are endangering your chance for electing a "President" when ROOSEVELT goes out (a Republican President.)

Tell "Mr. Gangster" that President ROOSEVELT, ELIHU ROOT and TAFT have no good to say for the Pennsylvania or Ohio Machines and helped to defeat both of the gangs in these States some time ago.

Ask "Mr. Gangster" if he knows what Hon. ELIHU ROOT calls the Republican Machine in this State.

Ask "Mr. Gangster" what "TAFT" said about the "COX Machine" in Ohio. Ask "Mr. Gangster" what "President ROOSEVELT" thinks about the ADDICKS (Gas Addicks) man or Machine in the State of Delaware.

Tell "Mr. Gangster" that one of his friends died some time ago and escaped the jail, but another one has just gone to "jail" in Kansas.

Tell him a whole lot more of them ought to be in "jail" and will get there if we elect EMERY, ELACK, CREESEY and GREEN.

Tell "Mr. Gangster" we are bound to conquer. Right will prevail and you are doomed.

Mr. Gangster, let me tell you a few truths. These men I name are not the "Republican party" of Pennsylvania. W. H. ANDREWS, BULL ANDREWS, ISRAEL DURHAM, McNICHOLO, MARTIN, LANE, PENROSE, MOORE and others just like them. The "Republican party" is going to throw these fellows overboard, like "Jonah," and if the whole happens to swallow them I pity the poor whale. Mr. Gangster, you cannot cheat us any more like you did by stuffing the ballot boxes in the cities, out-voting us by fraud. Shake in your boots, "Mr. Gangster," for overboard you go and you had better prepare. "Mr. Gangster," how much comfort did you get from "President ROOSEVELT" at the "dedication of the new capitol at Harrisburg?"

"Mr. Gangster," this is our own fraud here in our "State" and "President ROOSEVELT" will sustain us in our "State rights." We are after hoodlums, and we intend to hunt them out and punish them. President ROOSEVELT is after just such characters and when he finds them out he gives them the punishment they deserve. Voters, let us sustain "ROOSEVELT" and help him all that is in our power to rid the country of these Hoodlums, Trusts and Food Poisoners. They have no regard for the welfare of any one but themselves. They are in fact human monsters and would reduce all poor people to the level of "Russian serfs."

Voters, you will be told that you will endanger the "Tariff" if you vote for reform in your State and defeat the "Gang crowd." Tell "Mr. Gangster" that he had better go to our public schools and learn the contents of a little book called the "Pennsylvania Citizen."

Our State government is our protection and it is our duty to make it as near perfect as lays in our power. We should have "State pride" founded on our virtues. Remember my dear readers the motto of our State—Virtue, Liberty and Independence, these three jewels we must fight for against the detestable organization founded in avarice and deception. Voter, don't leave a possible chance open for this "Gangster" to deprive you of your right to vote for men that will not sell you out to some Boss.

THIS IS NO STRUGGLE FOR THE ASCENDANCY OF ANY POLITICAL PARTY. IT IS A FIGHT FOR HONESTY, DECECY AND A SQUARE DEAL.

The gang will leave nothing undone to gain their ends because they know that this is their last chance, it is die dog or eat the hatchet with them, so be on your guard, "Freemen." Give them a "Yorktown" defeat. Put none but "Americans" on guard. After we have rid the "State" of these promise breakers, grafters, hoodlums and broken down leeches, we will resume our places in the parties that suit us best. For the present let us pull together for reformation, economy and good clean government for country and State.

Voters, consider what rights belong to you as "Freemen," and dare to demand every iota. Compel a strict observance of the duties that are required of our public officers, be they who they may. Under no consideration give up one right that belongs to you as a "Freeman." Don't be silenced, speak out, no matter if you have not a "College Education" and belong to the "Proletariat Class." We have not had a "Square Deal" in our "State" for years. We have had good promises, but a poor man can't feed his babies on promises. Think for one moment, a "\$500 dollar cuspidor" for our servants at Harrisburg to spit in. The price of a good home in the country. How long, "Freemen," will you see your family suffer for real necessities of life and furnish \$500 cuspidors for these slick tongued and nimble fingered gents? I have voted the "Republican Ticket" for 45 years or more. I voted for ABRAHAM LINCOLN at his first election and was the only one at the saw mill on the "Delaware river" that voted for him. I have voted for every "Republican Governor" and State officer since I lived in Pennsylvania. I even swallowed "QUAY'S" dose of PENNYPACKER, but I am no longer able to take such strong doses of "Boncombe" or pure calomel. Freemen just think, consider for a moment and realize what it means when the Attorney General of our State turns his back on the people obstructing the arm of the law and justice in the interest of this political crowd of grafters at Harrisburg.

MR. CARSON'S DISPOSITION.

From the Philadelphia Press, October 30th.

Everything depends on the disposition. When a public officer is disposed he can find a way. When he is not disposed he can block the way.

Attorney General CARSON will do nothing of his own accord to expose, stop or punish the new capitol plunder. He himself says so. If Mr. BERRY will find evidence of fraud and stop payment, the Attorney General will defend him, but he himself will take no initiative.

Now the Attorney General is the highest law officer of the State. He has inquisitorial powers. He can use all the machinery of his office to investigate, probe and arraign. Here is a prodigious expenditure of \$9,000,000 in "furnishing" the capitol, made in violation of the spirit and probably of the letter of the law; with the certainty of stupendous extravagance and the presumption of gigantic graft. If the Attorney General were disposed there is abundant reason and ground for the most searching investigation; but he is not disposed. On the contrary, he does everything to thwart the searching State Treasurer.

Attorney General CARSON is personally an honest man, but he is in sympathy with the Machine. That tells the whole story. He will do nothing against its plans or its interests. But his attitude is a great wrong to Mr. STUART and is calculated to put the Republican candidate in a false position. Mr. CARSON stands for just what Mr. STUART stands for; equally partisan; equally indebted to the same source for his public position; and if the one is retained by his association from striking at the capitol abuse, will not people ask whether the same deduction may not be drawn as to the other? Mr. CARSON ought not to do Mr. STUART the injury of arming his opponents with such an argument.

Mr. Editor, I bid you good-bye for the present, promising to send you more in the near future. I am dear sir, Very respectfully yours, JOHN T. FOWLER.

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