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NEW BUILDING AT THE HOSPITAL

IS NEARING COMPLETION AND READY FOR FURNISHING

PROVIDES AMPLE FACILITIES

Many Rooms Will be Furnished—Generous Contributions—A Convenient and Substantial Structure—A Credit to the Town

The associate editor of the Centre Democrat, in his rambling about the town, looked in at the progress being made at the new addition of the Bellefonte hospital, and was surprised to find that the four-story brick structure was almost ready for occupancy. After the railing in the stairway is done and the floors on the first story are laid the building is near completion. The painters are now at work, and in about two weeks everything will be in good shape for furnishing the various apartments.

As stated, it is a four-story brick structure, every room and ward being well lighted through the day by large windows, and at night by the electric spark. It is well ventilated and heated by steam. The interior finish is of southern pine which is filled and varnished, which makes a very pretty and clean appearance. All the interior walls are of solid brick so that sounds cannot be communicated from one room to another. The building has the advantage over the rooms in the original building.

The various apartments are as follows: On the first floor will be the superintendent's office, doctors' offices, reception room and a diet kitchen. From the first floor there will be an elevator run by water power or electricity. Patients can be taken from the entrance of the institution to any floor without needless handling or inconvenience to those in charge of the hospital. A dumb waiter will be used to carry food from the diet kitchen to the patients on any of the floors. The second floor contains four wards, and separate rooms for etherizing, sterilizing, and for general emergency cases. On the third floor there will be seven private rooms and one ward. The fourth floor will contain superintendent's apartments, and two private rooms.

To furnish all these apartments properly will require a large outlay of money, and if it had to be done by the hospital authorities it would be a stupendous task, and would take years to accomplish; but, like all institutions that are doing a good and humane work, kind and noble-hearted friends have risen to this emergency. The money has been raised by private individuals to the memory of some departed one: P. Gray Meek and family to the memory of Miss Lulu Meek, who devoted much time and labor for the success of the institution. The Furst family in honor of Hon. A. O. Furst; Miss Rebecca Rhoads, in honor of Hon. Daniel Rhoads; the D. A. R.; the Elks; Frank Nagney; the Firemen's Relief Association, of Bellefonte, composed of the women and the members of the hospital auxiliaries at Centre Hill and Howard will each furnish a room. One of the warm friends of the institution is Mrs. Margaret H. Wilson, of Bellefonte, who sometime ago gave her check for \$2,500, not deeming that sufficient. She has been asked to furnish one of the largest wards in the new building. This will be in memory of her deceased husband, William P. Wilson, at one time a prominent citizen of Bellefonte, and a noted lawyer. The institution appreciates such friends, and the monument they build in this way will be more lasting and serviceable than that built of granite, marble, or brass. The good done here will have its reward.

After the new building has been occupied the wooden structure, or the house which patients have been cradled, will be used as a home for the nurses, which has been one of the needs of the hospital for some time.

Before closing we think it proper to make some suggestions that might result in some good to the institution. Notwithstanding the generosity of our friends in coming to its aid, the hospital needs constant care and attention by the people of Bellefonte and Centre county. With the widening out comes a larger expense that must be met. The report this year will show that more gratis patients have been taken care of than any year in its history which is a large drain on its finances.

Another thing that should be done by our business men and merchants is the raising of enough money to put up a substantial fence around the campus and lay a concrete pavement up through it. This has been done in other places and why not in Bellefonte? A little from every business man would do it, and then the hill out there would be made neat and attractive. Nobody would begrudge what money he gave toward the improvement.

Still another matter might be incidentally noticed, and that is the hospital needs a driveway clear around it. The person who owns the hill to the left of the hospital in the rear of Mrs. Hess' residence, should make a deed to the hospital for that hill. It is no earthly good as it is and to the hospital it would be of inestimable value. It's needed and would be a lasting convenience.

Child Hanged Himself.

Death as the result of an accidental hanging was the sad fate of Paul, the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tharp, near Sunbury. The child had been playing around in the yard for an hour or more under the watchful eye of his mother, but when she was called into the house he started out the gate. The neck of his dress caught in a large nail near the top cross beam of the gate and held him securely. In trying to free himself the little fellow in some manner took his feet from the ground and his body hung suspended in the air. The dress tightened about his neck and choked him to death, his mother finding the lifeless body when she returned five minutes later.

OLEOMARGARINE CASE.

Mr. Brouse Will Carry Case Through Our Courts

Monday afternoon a number of business men and merchants of Bellefonte assembled in the office of Squire W. H. Musser to hear the case of the Commonwealth vs. R. S. Brouse, the Bellefonte groceryman, who is charged with selling oleomargarine contrary to law. The Commonwealth was represented by Judge John G. Love, and Mr. Brouse by John Blanchard. Judge Love opened the hearing by reading the law prohibiting the sale of oleomargarine or butterine, which are made entirely of fats. After reading the Act of Assembly, Judge Love stated that the only technical point upon which the suit was brought was as to its color, which was yellow and looked like real butter. The purpose of this prohibition was to prevent the sale of margarine sold by dealers from selling oleomargarine for butter. Judge Love also made the statement that he understood that Mr. Brouse had a State license, giving him the right to sell oleomargarine.

The first witness was Chas. L. Banzhoff, of Altoona, who is district agent for the State Pure Food Commission. Without giving whom his informant was (but it leaked out over the phone during the hearing) Mr. Banzhoff stated that on the morning of March 29th he arrived in Bellefonte and went to Mr. Brouse's store and purchased two pounds of the oleomargarine, and after putting on his official seal and number he placed it in a cigar box and sent it to Prof. William Frear, food chemist at Pennsylvania State College. When Mr. Banzhoff was asked whether the clerk who sold him the oleomargarine had complied with the law governing the sale of it, he answered "Yes."

The most important witness was Prof. William Frear, the chemist, who gave a detailed analysis of the margarine sent to him by Mr. Banzhoff. Miss Anna Fox, stenographer for Mr. Blanchard, was present, and took it down. It is fair to state that Dr. Frear is thoroughly conversant with the subject of food analysis, and any statement made by him would be authoritative. He stated that four or five different tests that proved conclusively that the article sold by Mr. Brouse was the pure oleomargarine, but it had the yellow tint, like that of butter made from milk. Dr. Frear was asked in his examination and cross-examination whether he found any trace of a vegetable or artificial compound used for coloring the oleomargarine, to which he gave a positive affirmative answer, "No." He was further asked if some of the ingredients that compose the oleomargarine, such as cottonseed oil, and other oils, had not a tendency of creating a coloration. His answer was it might be, but the color would not be as prominent as the article he had examined. He added that many of the oleomargarine manufacturers use coloring oleomargarine. The evidence of Dr. Frear was strongly in favor of the defendant from the fact that while the article sold was of a yellow tint there was no trace of evidence that Mr. Brouse had violated any requirements of his State license, nor had there been found in the oleomargarine any trace of artificial coloring. It is said that oleomargarine has been sold for 20 years, and this is the first case that has been brought where the seller complied strictly with his State license. Mr. Blanchard made no strong appeal to Squire Musser to have the defendant discharged for lack of evidence, but he rather favored making it a test case, by having the matter settled before a higher court.

Mr. Brouse gave bail of \$200 for his appearance at the next term of court.

HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT.

A Forecast of the Program for Bellefonte's Schools.

Jones Wagner, superintendent of the Bellefonte public schools, with the school board and the members of the High school are now making preparations for the commencement exercises which will take place during the first week of June. The exercises will perhaps be more elaborate and interesting than for many years from the fact that they will be held in the auditorium in the new brick school building on north Allegheny street. The interior of the building will not be entirely completed but everything will be in readiness in the large auditorium which will hold a large number of people with more comfort than even the opera house or Petrick Hall. The commencement will be ushered in with the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday evening, May 25, in the Methodist church, by Rev. Thomas S. Wilcox. The public of course is invited. On Monday evening the annual junior contest for the Reynolds gold prizes will take place in the school auditorium. The contestants will be the following ladies and gentlemen: Marguerite Coxe, Graham Hunter, Henry Keller, Grace Showalter, Anna Shuey, Joseph Taylor, Beulah Woods, Clare Reynolds, and Mary Straub, whose exercises are always interesting and draw large crowds. As usual an admittance of ten cents will be charged to assist in paying the week's expenses. Christy Smith's orchestra will be there and of course he needs some dough.

On Tuesday evening the annual alumni reception and dance will take place in the armory. This is the main social feature of the local commencement which is always thoroughly enjoyed by those who are fortunate enough to attend. This year the committee will strive to make it even more enjoyable than on former occasions. Every alumnus ought to make an effort to be present.

Thursday will be the big day. In the afternoon at 2:30 o'clock the commencement exercises will take place in the auditorium. In the evening at 8 o'clock the commencement address will be made by Hon. Madison C. Peters, of Brooklyn, N. Y. He is an eloquent speaker and his address is looked forward to with considerable interest. This will be followed by the awarding of diplomas and presenting of prizes.

About City Farmers
Don't miss the clever article on an inside page entitled "Hints for City Farmers." If you enjoy a good thing that is where it can be found.

WHEN OUR FARMERS DROVE TO LEWISBURG

AN INTERESTING SKETCH ABOUT "DEERTOWN"

HOW CROPS WERE MARKETED

The Long Haul Through the Famous Narrows—Those Were Gala Times for Teamsters—Some Clever Instances Recalled

James Hafer, aged 74, overseer of the poor of Lewisburg, has in his possession of a rare old history of Northumberland, Union, Snyder and Centre counties, which was issued by subscription many years ago, and for which he has been frequently offered large sums of money. This work deals largely with the early settlements in those counties and is of rare interest to the local historian.

Mr. Hafer is a veteran of the war and a relative of the family of Hafers who settled in Brush valley, Centre county, in the early days of settlement. He is the son of Dr. A. W. Hafer, the Bellefonte dentist. He was born within a mile of the Union Hotel, which was formerly owned by Levi Crumly, a brother of Jacob, Christian, Philip, Francis and others of the Crumly now family who pioneered in Brush valley and Sugar valley.

He remembers well the golden age of Lewisburg, when the farmers of Brush valley and Pennsylvania, during those old fashioned winters, with snow two to three feet deep, would load their caravans of market sleds and haul their wheat and rye through "the long narrows" or the Motz narrows, to Lewisburg, and sold it to Wall and Walls or Slifer, and returned with gold galore, in the long "gelt beitel" (wallet) and their sleds loaded with Nova Scotia plaster, syrup, groceries, etc. This may seem strange to the younger farmers of today. The plaster was taken in the rock form and when brought into the valleys was hauled to a plaster mill and ground into fine powder. The plaster was not only dropped on the corn when it was out about two to three inches, but was sowed also on the grain and grass fields. Its effect could be seen for several years after placed on the corn, by the very row and hill, in the grain and grass. But to return from this digression.

Those gala times which the old farmers had when they came to Lewisburg in the forties, fifties and sixties! Mr. Hafer remembers well how they owned the town—it was then called "Deertown"—after old Ludwig Derz who in pioneer days owned a grist mill here and his said, when the grist once returned from Fort Augusta (Sunbury) and said they were badly treated. Ludwig knocked the head out of a whiskey barrel and allowed the Indians to help themselves with a tin cup! (If you want the rest of the story you must read up Linn's Annals of Buffalo Valley.) The farmers were healthy and hearty parties—sometimes thirty or forty of them, and they filled Crumly's hotel (in which this is written) and also that larger frame hotel of that period near the river bridge, yecept "Weidensaul's." The young fellows especially, the "Widensaul's" furnished a table at a dollar a day which would put most \$2 dollars of today to the blush, but Weidensaul had a half dozen beautiful daughters who acted as Hebes in the dining hall and every evening the "Widensaul's" will remember them—through the name of Weidensaul has nearly become extinct in Deertown. It is related that one evening at supper a Brush valley stalwart whom we will call J. H., was "feeling his oats" and he noticed among the ladies one who counted the head of spiced peaches. He seized one and threw it on the forehead of his neighbor across the way saying, "Sam dressed parishing!" This almost disrupted the cordiality of the party. One farmer whom we will call J. W., liked the price of peaches. He over-stayed his time; a thaw came, then snow as the Red Hill above Rudy's vanished. He spent the price of his load of wheat and left his sled until the next winter. The load of wheat then consisted of about 40 or 50 bushels, and the price ranged from \$1 to 2 per bushel, so a "speck" that cost a load of wheat was some "bugs!"

But those old fellows didn't miss it. They owned their farms, which were clear of debt, and they knew how to farm some. They had no knowledge of chemistry or mechanics. They called a bug a bug, and a worm a worm. They knew a clover louse from a pine knot. They liked a little noisance now and then, but they were staid, industrious, honest and frugal men at home. God rest their dust and bless their souls!

A different kind of men as remembered by comrade Hafer, were the raftsmen, who tied up at the haven in the spring time. These tall, raw-boned, muscular men were "war democrats," and when they gathered at Crumly or Weidensaul's for the night there were some fallings and the claret flowed. The Walls and afterwards Smith gathered a harvest from Brush and Penna valleys. The Crumly hotel (Union) changed hands a number of times since the death of Levi and the present proprietor is D. Chestnut, of Shippensburg formerly.

It is still remembered how the old fellows used to chaff anyone who was making his first trip to Lewisburg. They told him that a black woman kept a chain across the road just between Lewisburg and Himmelsreick's somewhere, and that the novice was not allowed to pass unless he kissed the negro woman or bit the chain in two! Forbidding alternative!

Of course, when Geo. Miller and Jim Coburn succeeded in building the Centre, Lewisburg and Spruce Creek railroad, Lewisburg lost all this annual trade, and the farmers' fun took on a new phase. Likewise the winters seem to have let up with their deep snows.

W. R. BIERLY.
The divorce epidemic would seem to prove that few women take a man seriously.

SAD ACCIDENT ON BELLEFONTE C. R. R.

BRAKEMAN FALLS UNDER MOVING TRAIN

BOTH LIMBS WERE CRUSHED

Amputation Necessary at the Hospital—A Boy's Lament for His Mother—Was Her Only Support—It is a Sad Misfortune

On Saturday morning about nine o'clock a very sad and distressing accident happened on the Bellefonte Central Railroad when Charles Poorman, a brakeman, had the misfortune of losing both his legs. They were running a train of loaded freight cars down over the scales at Coleville to be weighed. Mr. Poorman was on the front of a box car loaded with ground limestone from the Chemical Company's works. When a short distance from the scales Mr. Poorman became light-headed and fell from the moving train and was caught under the wheels. Some of the train crew were nearby. The train was stopped as soon as possible. While frantically mangled, the unfortunate man had nerve enough to draw himself out from the car and saw himself of being killed. The train was the middle of the train so that the train had to be cut to give the men space enough to properly care for the injured man.

Mr. Poorman was the only support of his mother, and when taken from the track to the weigh house he seemed to forget himself, and about the only thing he said was, "What will my dear mother do now?" Such devotion to a parent is rare and speaks volumes for him who was devoting his life to the best friend he has, his mother. Strange to say, the loss of blood from both legs was less than a cupful. The ambulance was called and he was taken to the hospital where it was found necessary to amputate his left leg above the knee and the right one below the knee. At first it was thought that he could not survive the shock, but he is now on a fair way to recovery. He is about 25 years of age and was a trustworthy employe. Several years ago his father died with cancer and left him to be the only support of a mother and a small brother.

AN APPEAL ARGUED.

Widow Demands Interest in Husband's Estate.

On Monday the appeal of J. L. Tressler, from the opinion and decree of the Orphans' Court of Centre County was argued before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. The appellant, Philadelphia, J. E. Miller appeared for the defendant and S. D. Gettig and W. D. Zehly for the appellee, Sarah J. Tressler, the widow of Daniel J. Tressler, dec'd, late of near Linden Hall, was married June 3rd, 1895. She lived with her husband at his home near Linden Hall but a few weeks when differences arose between them and she concluded to move her personal effects from the home of her husband, to her former home, near Pottery Mills. Before loading the household goods on the wagon awaiting, the husband insisted that his wife sign an agreement of separation that he had his attorney prepare. The stipulations were that the husband was not to be held responsible or liable for any debts his wife might contract in the future, and that in the event of his decease the widow her interest in the estate known as the widow's dower. She signed this agreement before the goods were loaded and taken back to her former home. Upon the death of Daniel J. Tressler, the husband, the widow J. Tressler, the widow's dower, her portion of the widow's dower. This is now being resisted by Jonathan L. Tressler, the sole beneficiary under the will. The case first came before Judge Orris, without a jury trial. On May 1st, 1909, the court ruled that an inquiry in partition be granted to secure for the widow her interest in the estate known as the widow's dower. The court found, that notwithstanding the signed agreement which was secured apparently under duress, the widow was entitled to recover the usual widow's dower from the husband's estate. To this ruling the appeal was taken.

Haag House Transfer.

Ex-sheeriff Henry Kline on Tuesday bought J. M. Cunningham's interests in the Haag House, Bellefonte, and as soon as the license is transferred he will become the landlord. Mr. Kline is a jolly, good fellow, and there is every reason to believe he will get along nicely in his new undertaking. "Mitch," for awhile, will devote a portion of his time this summer to automobile and baseball. That is, if the repairs of the automobile doesn't consume his bank account.

Early Peaches Nipped.

Reports received from the country districts since last week, it is feared that some of the early peaches are ruined. It is found upon examination, that many of the blossoms on peach trees were frozen, as well as other early blossoms, but on the later varieties, where the buds had not opened yet it is believed no damage was done. In some places the red and black cherries are all killed, but other fruit uninjured.

Surprised at Being Made an Aunt.

Two sisters of the name of Illazek, who are joined together like the Siamese twins, entered a local hospital in Bohemia a few days ago. One of them, Rosa, was delivered of a son. The inseparable sister, Josephine, expressed great surprise at the unaccountable occurrence which made her an aunt.

Hospital Notes.

Frank Shearer, Bellefonte, admitted for treatment.
Son born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fulton, of Bellefonte.
Miss Virginia Hampton, of Bellefonte, operation for appendicitis.
Miss Jean Bilzer, of Bellefonte, operation for appendicitis.
Mrs. Alice Laird, of Bellefonte, operation for appendicitis.

OPENING OF TROUT SEASON.

About the Average Number of Trout Caught.

On Friday the trout season opened under the most favorable circumstances and hundreds of trout fishermen in Bellefonte and throughout the county hid themselves to some mountain rippling stream where they could have the fly denizen with flies, worms, grubbers, etc. In fact many of our fishermen left Bellefonte for Fishing Creek on Thursday evening so as to be on the ground at the dawn of day. Others left early Friday morning for the purpose of getting ahead of the large number of fishermen who desisted to whip the streams. It is said there were over three hundred fishermen along the banks of Fishing Creek from Lehigh to Rhine's saw mill. They were so thick that when a trout was caught it was difficult to tell to whom it belonged. Reports from that section are to the effect that there are a large number of fine trout in Fishing Creek but they were not caught on the first day. About the average number caught measured from ten to eighteen inches. Among the Bellefonte anglers on the famous Fishing Creek were the following, and the number of their catch: George Knisely, 18; Dent Tate, 21; Frank Davis, 15; H. C. Quigley, 15; Charles R. McCurdy, 9; Dr. J. J. Kilpatrick, 3; Robert Hunter, 2; James Furst, 10; Jack Decker, Sr., 7; W. C. Cassidy, 8; John Bower, 6; Edward Gillen, 9; John Curtin, 5; George Miller, 2; Graham Hunter, 2; George R. Meek, 16. Some of the catches were as follows: W. L. Mallin, 26; Joseph Thal, 26; William Beezer, 16; William Walker, 34; Fred Bryan, 4; Fred Kurtz, 7; George Beezer and Robert Foster, 20; Serrel Moerschbacher, 6; Clayton Brown, 5; Young Bassett, 21. It seems that William Walker was the banner fisherman of the day as to numbers, but as to weight and length "Bobby" Foster, of State College, George Beezer and William L. Mallin, of Bellefonte, claim the prize. They say they had trout that measured from twelve to seventeen inches. Of course, there was a notary public near or the size might have been different. Their catches, however, were nice, and showed they were onto their job. There were quite a number of other fishermen along the various streams whose names we thought to be here but we were unable to secure all. A large number of speckled beauties were taken out of Spring Creek and Logan Branch.

EXTENSIVE REPAIRS.

Some of the Improvements in the Bellefonte Y. M. C. A.

The ladies of Bellefonte are now taking a deep interest in the local Y. M. C. A. They are beginning to see that this is an organization through which great good can be accomplished. The good done here will not only last for time but the evidence of it will be seen through the long circles of eternity. To make the building neat and attractive for young men the ladies' auxiliary are now making repairs and painting and used for billiard and pool rooms. The old billiard table will be taken to the rear yard and in the front room a new pool table will be placed of the regulation size. This is what should have been done long ago. In the kitchen has been placed a sink, cupboard and a new assortment of dishes, knives, forks, spoons and pans. This department will be complete in every detail. On the third floor are two bed rooms which will be painted and papered and furnished with what is used in cases where a man from another association drops in and hasn't money to go to a hotel, as the case has frequently happened. A woman will be employed to keep these rooms in order.

The ladies' auxiliary is composed of women who are very active in christian work and are doing all they can to make the Y. M. C. A. a grand and noted success. Mrs. Joseph Montgomery is the chairman, and for one week or more she devoted all her spare time in collecting money to pay for these much-needed improvements. She and the other ladies are to be congratulated on the interest they have been taking in the work of preparing a place where young men can go and have the very best influence that can be around them. They could not have gotten any better person to conduct the work than Dr. Weston, the general secretary, who will see that everything is kept in the very best condition. Mrs. Weston has been doing just about as much as her husband for the association, and to her much thanks is due.

A State Road a Failure.

Over \$20,000 spent by the State, Cambria county and Cambria township, in the northern end of the county, on a state road about three miles long, is said to have been thrown to the winds. The road is practically ruined, it is declared, and at the next term of court petitions will be presented to Judge O'Connor to take action in the case of the township supervisors, whose negligence, it is asserted, is responsible for the condition of the highway. So bad is the road now that an old clay road east of it is used by many in preference to the State highway.

A Mistaken Idea.

There has been going through some of the local papers a notice to the effect that next month the school directors of Centre county would meet in the Court House, Bellefonte, for the purpose of electing a county superintendent. Where such an erroneous idea originated is not known, because it is not true. The meeting in question will not be held until May one year. The article also stated that Prof. Eiters, the present incumbent, was the only candidate for re-election. This is also not true, because it is difficult to surmise what may occur in a year. In the meantime, however, Prof. Eiters will continue to draw his salary.

Snow Shoe on Tuesday Morning.

As we are informed, the ground was covered with an inch of snow.

G. O. P. Routed BY DEMOCRACY

TARIFF REFORM ISSUE WINS IN REPUBLICAN STRONGHOLD

OPPOSITION TO NEW TARIFF

IT Shows Clearly What is Going to Happen in Other Districts This Fall—Another Signal Victory—The People are Dissatisfied

More than 8000 voters in Monroe county, New York, cast their votes from the Republican to the Democratic column on Tuesday and elected the first Democratic Congressman that has represented the 32nd district in twenty years. James S. Havens, a Democrat, running on a tariff reform platform, defeated George W. Aldridge for a score of years the boss of the county Republican organization by 5900 votes. Monroe county, which comprises the district, is normally Republican by about 6000, James Breck Perkins, whose death in the middle of his third Congressional term, necessitated the special election, carried the district in 1908 by 10,167 votes.

Havens had arrayed against him one of the strongest political organizations in the state. Yet, in a campaign lasting but 17 days, and with hastily-conducted machinery, he accomplished one of the most remarkable overturns in political history. The result of Tuesday's election takes its place beside the Democratic victory in the Fourteenth Massachusetts district, where Eugene N. Foss was elected to Congress from a district supposed to be as rock-ribbed Republican as this one.

Victory for Tariff Reform.

Rochester is a city of both homes and factories; Monroe county is one of the state's garden spots, crowded with productive farms. Rochester has reputation as a manufacturer of men's clothing, shoes, photographic supplies, buttons and various small wares that require skilled labor. Havens rode to victory on a platform advocating tariff reform in the interests of the consumer—a reduction of the duties on wool and woolen goods, a removal of the tax on hides and lumber, a removal of the tariff on iron ore, a standard and finally advocating independence of all political bosses of any party.

Aldridge, his opponent, contented himself with general proclamations in favor of the policies of the Republican Administration. On the tariff proposition he was regarded as a "stagnant puffer" of the Taft brand of Republican organization.

So large a political change as these figures show cannot be attributed wholly or mainly to the character of the Republican candidate. The Republican party is not keeping the pledges of its national convention. It has not in any appreciable degree reduced tariff taxation, and the people are turning against it in every direction. In Missouri the successor to Mr. DeArmond was elected by a much larger majority than the late member received. The district is always Democratic, but is now far more strongly so than in 1908. In a Massachusetts district, where the late republican member received a 16,000 majority, the republican successor has been elected by 6000 majority. Now in a New York district a Democratic majority of 6000 takes the place of a Republican majority of 10,000. In the elections of the smaller cities of New York the Democrats carried nearly all. In Massachusetts the successor has been elected by 6000 majority. Now in a New York district a Democratic majority of 6000 takes the place of a Republican majority of 10,000. In the elections of the smaller cities of New York the Democrats carried nearly all. In Massachusetts the successor has been elected by 6000 majority. Now in a New York district a Democratic majority of 6000 takes the place of a Republican majority of 10,000.

A landslide toward the Democratic party is now in progress. Senator Aldridge, of Rhode Island, the man who put the tariff bill through and whom President Taft frequently eulogized so strongly as a patriotic citizen, fears that the people will turn him out in the cold next and this week comes the announcement that he will not seek his return to the United States senate where he was a conspicuous figure so many years framing legislation in the interest of the great money centres and the trusts. Along comes another of the same stripe, one of the "old guard" Senator Hale, of Maine, who also announces this week that he will retire from public life before the people retire him next. Most remarkable of all, the papers on Monday gave out the information that the President has been smitten dumb in his mad career defying the people and will be satisfied with one term in the White House. Poor Old Joe Cannon, humiliated and beaten, sues in his tent, occasionally uttering a feeble plea to the public that only is pitiful. The day of reckoning is at hand—and it is coming with a vengeance.

A Hungarian Racket.

On Saturday afternoon a Hungarian racket took place in one of the houses in what is known as Collins' row, near the Bellefonte furnace. The quarrel was brought on by one fellow coming in and making himself too free with another man's beer. One was brought on another, until one hit the other with a pair of brass knuckles, and broke his nose. The fellow who struck the blow was arrested and given a hearing before Squire W. H. Musser, but before the Justice was given an opportunity to make a ruling in the case the parties interested settled it by the offender paying the costs which was divided as follows: The man with the broken nose received \$15.00; Constable Henry Montgomery, \$4.00; Squire W. H. Musser, \$4.00; Mr. W. W. Felt, \$3.00; Attorney W. D. Zarby, \$3.00; Mike Cushing, the interpreter, \$1.50. In this case the fellow with the broken nose came out the small end of the horn.

Joseph Napier Held Up.

It was rumored around Phillipsburg recently that Joseph Napier, a miner living near Gearhartville, had been waylaid and murdered and that his body had been thrown down an shaft. The report was unfounded, although the man had been held up in a little strip of woods on his way home and relieved of his watch and a sum of money.