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## DEMOCRATIC TIDAL WAVE.

### Sweeps Over Centre County on Tuesday and Elects Entire Democratic Ticket—Majorities 200 to 1100.

A political tidal wave swept over Centre county on Tuesday that completely engulfed the entire Republican ticket. It was so overwhelming that since then they have been in a dazed condition, unable to realize how it happened or where it came from. Every Republican nominee went down, save the minority Commissioner and Auditor, which the law always allows them. It was the most sweeping result that has occurred at an election in Centre county for years, and it came from every section of the county, showing that the voters were of a common sentiment—deemed a change of affairs advisable, and by voting they got it.

Tuesday was a fair, clear, crisp day and, as a result, a good strong vote was at the polls in every section. Of course the entire party vote in neither case was out, as that is almost an impossibility; the local offices being on the ticket, that also had the tendency to bring out more than the average vote at an ordinary fall election.

It is safe to say that the Democratic vote was out stronger than the Republican, for the reason that many of that party were discouraged and remained at home, or that came out cut their ticket very liberally. The Democrats had a good working organization and each committeeman and sub-committeeman, and the individual voter, in almost every case, did their full duty, because they had a strong, clean ticket around which they rallied with an old time enthusiasm, and proved without any doubt that when they are harmonious and united, "Old Centre" is absolutely a Democratic stronghold. In only a few instances was the opposition enabled to gain any strength, and that was where they obtained complimentary votes for some local candidate on their ticket.

As the returns began to come in there was evidence of a landslide, and by midnight it appeared that the entire Democratic ticket was elected, with some doubt on Sheriff and Recorder.

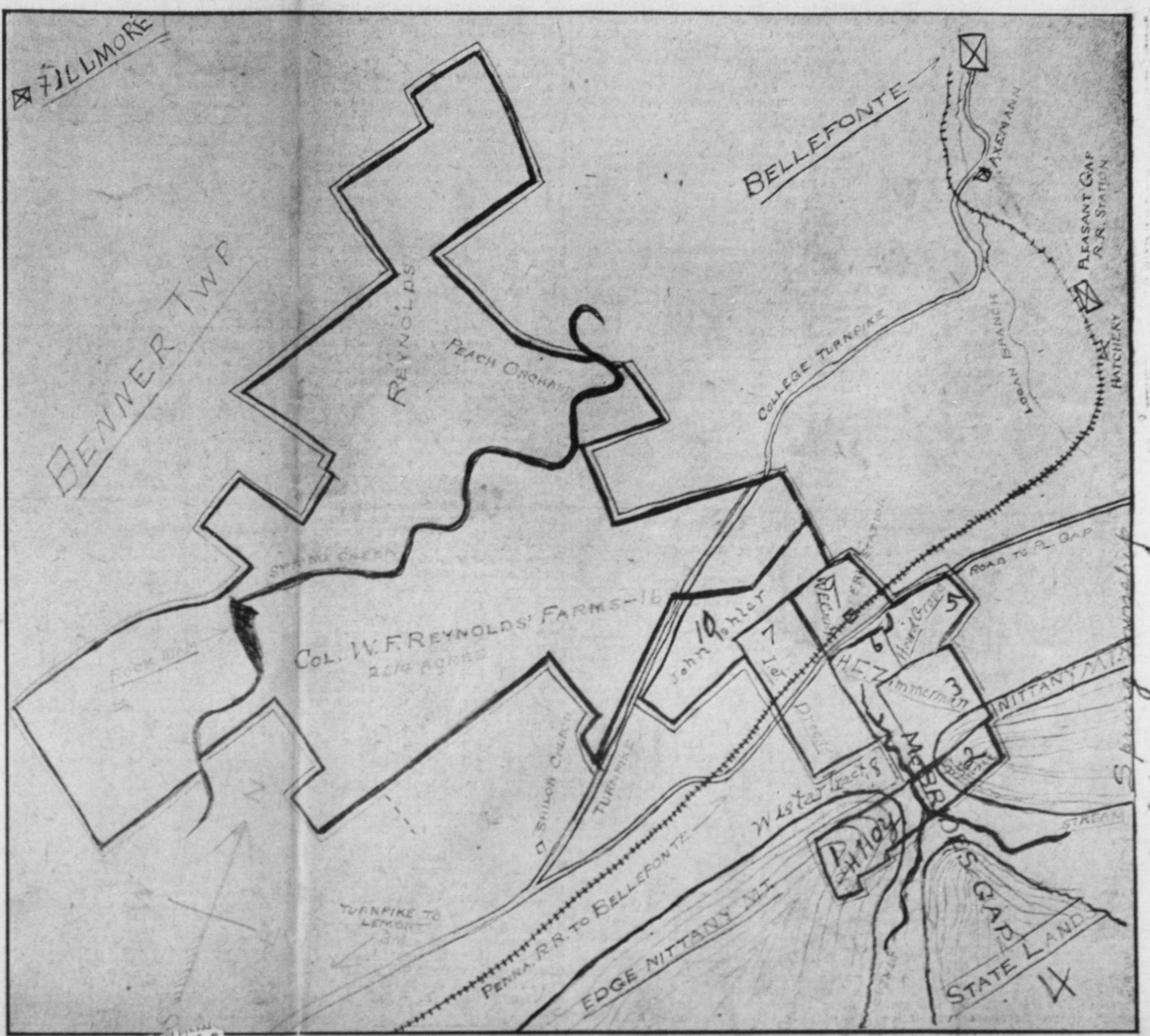
At this writing, Wednesday noon, the entire returns were not in, but the result could be easily estimated. It shows that the lowest vote the ticket won out by over 200 majority—the Recorder and Sheriff. Register has over 400, the Treasurer over 500, the District Attorney about 800, the Prothonotary over 1000, and the Commissioners about 1100, with Woodring the minority member of the new Board, 120 over Zimmerman. Remember these are approximate estimates, but we believe close to the final count.

From this it will be seen that it was a most decisive vote, and with the largest majorities that have been cast for any party nominees in many years in Centre county. That fact leaves no common ground for a quibble—it is the unmistakable protest of the people at the ballot box, and a vote of confidence to the Democracy of Centre county which, if respected in the coming four years, we have no reason to believe but that the same public sentiment will again cordially approve and endorse.

One thing must be learned from the result of this election, and that is that the burden of this defeat must not be loaded entirely on the former Commissioners' Board. There were other factors that contributed to the result, such as organization dictation in Republican nominations, and the selection of men for offices that are not qualified to fill them. Another, and still more important, lesson can be drawn by all thoughtful and observing people who glance over the returns, and it is this: The day of political bondage, the blind subservience to party, to the sacrifice of everything else, is becoming a thing of the past in this county. Men are becoming more independent in their thinking and their voting. The mere spoils of political campaigns is giving way to a better and higher inspiration for better officials and better home government. No longer can anyone foist any kind of ticket on a party, and then expect that party sentiment will induce men to vote for inferior men or questionable measures, or approve serious abuses.

County Chairman Kimpfort is entitled to credit for the tactful manner in which he conducted the campaign and attained such a vindication for the entire ticket. His success is largely due to each and every committeeman and sub-committeeman, every active Democrat, and Democratic voter, who in any way contributed to the success of the ticket.

Full and complete returns of each precinct will be found in tabulated form on page 4 of this issue. These figures are not official, though they are compiled from the returns and partly by telephone messages. The official count will be a material change in the final result.



### GENERAL RETURNS.

In New York the Republicans have recovered the ground that was lost in the Democratic landslide last year. Tammany got a set back.

Governor Foss has been re-elected in Massachusetts on a purely tariff reform issue.

A. J. Potlifer, Republican, is probably re-elected governor of Rhode Island. The legislature will be Republican.

Newton D. Baker, Democrat, was elected mayor of Cleveland by 15,000 majority. The Democrats also carried Cincinnati and Columbus. All three of these Ohio cities, now have Republican mayors.

Kentucky went overwhelmingly Democratic, electing Jas. B. McCreary governor by almost 40,000. A Democratic legislature was also chosen. This insures the selection of Ollie James as United States Senator.

From New Jersey indications are that the Legislature will again be Democratic and that Governor Wilson's policies have been endorsed.

Mississippi elected a Democratic governor. The Socialists made gains in the southern states.

Both sides are claiming New Mexico.

Maryland went Republican. Disfranchisement was beaten.

### Blankenburg Elected.

Rudolph Blankenburg, the old "war horse of reform," Keystone-Democratic nominee for mayor of Philadelphia, is elected over George H. Earle, Jr., the Republican candidate by 4,364 plurality.

Unofficial figures indicate the election of the balance of the Republican organization ticket. Earle was the candidate of State Senator James P. McNichol and United States Senator Penrose, and in a hotly contested fight wrested the nomination from Recorder William S. Vare, one of the Philadelphia contractor politicians.

Blankenburg's majority is estimated at 5,000 and may be larger. This is the most crushing defeat the Penrose Machine has received in years, and means much to them.

### Champ Clark as Prophet.

That the Republican party would have two candidates for president in 1912 was predicted by Speaker Champ Clark of the national house of representatives. He declared in his opinion that President Taft would be re-nominated and that the insurgent Republicans would split away and nominate Senator La Follette.

Speaker Clark wound up his speaking tour in the interest of Daniel V. Stevens, candidate for congress in the Third Nebraska district.

### In Clinton County.

The Democrats elected the following in Clinton county: Prothonotary, Isaac Lumbarger, Lock Haven; Treasurer, Thos. Clark, Lock Haven; J. L. Kemmer, Green township, minority commissioner. The Republicans elected the balance if the county ticket.

President Taft returns to Washington from his three months' electioneering trip through the far west, considerably dejected—no substantial encouragement has met him. His speeches were mostly of an order to suit the whims of localities in which he chanced to be—one thing here and the opposite there.

### RESULT IN BELLEFONTE.

BELLEFONTE BORO CONSOLIDATED	N	W	S	W	W
Overseer of Poor:					
Harry Badger, R.	202	192	81		
Alexander Morrison, R.	244	144	67		
P. H. Gherry, D.	138	240	76		
William Rider, D.	118	42	68		
School Director 6 yrs:					
Badger's majority	21				
Morrison's majority	1				
Auditor:					
C. K. Hicklen, R. 4 yrs.	228	188	80		
W. Miles Walker, D. 4 yrs.	111	147	52		
Edward L. Gates, R. 2 yrs.	276	204	96		
Hicklen's majority	207				
School Director 8 yrs:					
M. J. Locke, R.	236	162	85		
D. F. Fortney, D.	134	192	58		
Fortney's majority	99				
School Director 4 yrs:					
Chas. F. Cook, R.	216	154	66		
Henry Lowry, R.	187	160	69		
A. C. Mingle, D.	170	217	72		
James K. Barnhart, D.	143	148	66		
Cook's majority	25				
School Directors, 2 yrs:					
Mary Elizabeth Brouse, R.	188	136	84		
Caroline H. Gilmore, R.	189	145	71		
Mary Elizabeth Brouse, D.	77	111	43		
Lewis H. Gettig, D.	140	187	63		
Mrs. Brouse's majority	18				
Mrs. Gilmore's majority	19				
High Constable:					
James Matthews, R.	230	191	96		
James Matthews, D.	74	110	40		

### Bellefonte—North Ward.

Judge: Saml. B. Miller, 282  
Insp: Geo. Williams, 219  
W. Barnhart, 145  
Constable: C. Eckenroth, 244  
C. Eckenroth, 102  
Council: J. S. Walker, 239  
Oliver Witmer, 130

### Bellefonte—South Ward.

Judge: Jas. Symmons, 115  
H. J. Winkle, 240  
Insp: W. Scott Lose, 165  
J. M. Heintz, 188  
Constable: Jas. Fleming, 191  
Jas. Fleming, 141  
Council: J. M. Br'kerhoff, 139  
J. M. Br'kerhoff, 133

### Bellefonte—West Ward.

Judge: George Wait, 74  
A. Lukenbach, 74  
Insp: Willis Wyland, 73  
Harold Kirk, 72  
Constable: J. D. Thomas, 102  
Council: G. E. Haupt, 68  
J. T. Cherry 80

Tuesday, election day, passed off quietly in this town and throughout the county—just as it should. It might not be a wrong to make it unlawful to hang around the polls on election day for the purpose of gobbling up votes and annoying voters with electing pleadings. When a campaign of three months or more has been put to such uses, that sort of work should end with the close of the day preceding the election. When a voter goes to the polls it would be far better and in keeping with the high duty of a sovereign of the land, if every one meeting such a voter were to tip his hat out of respect for his performing his sacred duty as an American and not attempt to purchase his vote.

Hon. W. C. Lingle Going South. Hon. and Mrs. W. C. Lingle and family, of Phillipsburg—formerly of Bellefonte, are about to move to Orlcott, W. Va. Mr. Lingle goes to the above place to accept the superintendency of an extensive mining operation, a work at which he has been remarkably successful in past years.

Hospital Notes. Operations: Miss Mary Potter, Centre Hall; Mrs. Emma Musser, Woodward. Nineteen patients now in the hospital.

Emanuel Roan and grandson, Thomas Wolford, of State College, are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Hoyt, at Chester Hill, near Phillipsburg.

Wednesday afternoon the penitentiary commission arrived in Bellefonte on what is supposed to be their final tour of inspection in this county in reference to the selection of a suitable site for the new institution. The following were in the party: W. E. Sankey, C. A. Rook, Wm. Price, T. A. Dum, John Francis and C. E. McPherson. They took dinner at the Broomerhoff House and from here went to Pennesville and spent the afternoon over there looking at the Pottery Mills site. This Thursday morning they will again go over the McBride location and may remain here until Friday.

It is mere speculation to say what the outcome will be. We are assured by parties who appear to be in possession of information, that the McBride location is almost sure of being the choice, and our people are extremely hopeful of the outcome, and will extend every inducement possible to secure the institution.

The above map gives a complete outline of the various properties embraced in the proposed penitentiary site in Benner township, opposite McBride's Gap, and about four miles from Bellefonte. Beginning at the lower right hand corner you have the location of McBride's Gap, a break in Nitanny mountain, through which flows a fine stream of fresh mountain water that rises back in the State Forestry Reservation lands on Nitanny mountain. From the stream it is proposed to secure the supply of water for domestic purposes. The stream at the end of the gap disappears in a sink. In the plot we have designated the various tracts by numbers and names but to make it clear we will enumerate them:

1—S. H. Hoy, 100 acres mountain land in gap. 2—Sara Stover, 30 acres mountain land in gap. 3 and 6—H. E. Zimmerman, 2 tracts, farm and timberland, 180 acres. 4—Location of State Forestry Reservation—a large area. 5—Howard Grove farm, 93 acres. 7—J. J. Drees farm, 242 acres. 8—Wistar tract, part mountain land. 9—W. E. Crust farm 125 acres. 10—John Ishler farm, 155 acres. 11—The balance consists of 16 farms owned by Col. W. Fred Reynolds, 2614 acres.

These tracts and a few others that later may be secured will constitute almost 4000 acres, outside of the large area of State Forest Reservation lands on Nitanny mountain that practically adjoins these lands to the south extending several miles to Pennesville. The locations of Bellefonte, Axemann and Fill more are only given approximately to show location.

You will note that the Lewisburg Railroad passes through the site with a station, now, at Perth. The old college turnpike passes on the east of the Reynolds farm and all the land on the west side of turnpike is entirely from Reynolds' holdings, and includes Spring Creek for several miles and the famous Rock Dam power site; and the old Axe Factory dam further down the stream; also the peach orchards on Reynolds' farms.

This plot is located mostly on high ground with productive limestone soil and is entirely in Benner township, about equal distance from Lemont and Bellefonte.

The original survey for the proposed trolley line from Bellefonte to State College followed practically along the college turnpike, but the route now might be altered to suit the location selected for the principal buildings.

### A MINISTER'S CONFESSION.

Assailed an Entertainment Given by Another Congregation.

The following news item is the substance of a sensation created by a well known clergyman who was born and reared at Gatesburg, Pa. Centre county:

Rev. Isaac Krider, an honored member of the Lutheran ministry for half a century, a Civil war veteran and a citizen of stainless, irreproachable life, stood in the presence of the rector and vestrymen of the Holy Trinity Episcopal church at Hollidaysburg on Saturday and confessed that he was the author of anonymous letters sent through the United States mails, slandering a Halloween entertainment that was held by women of the Episcopal church, on Tuesday evening.

Prominent citizens had received anonymous letters reflecting upon the proposed entertainment, and styling it a "Feast of Baal." Rev. George F. Boggs, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, turned over the letter received by him to the postoffice authorities, and an investigation instituted by the postoffice inspectors is in progress.

Did It As a Joke. Rev. Mr. Krider resides at Duncansville, a Blair county town. He did not know one-half of the assembled vestrymen, and he was only able to tell by the cut of the clerical garb which one of the assembly was the rector of the assailed church. The only excuse he assigned for his conduct was: "I did it as a Halloween joke." Rev. Mr. Krider with tears in his eyes, presented a written apology and retraction. Again and again he was asked to name the man behind, and to reveal the person who inspired the attack on the church, but his only reply was, "No one. I accept the responsibility."

The rector and vestrymen of the church attacked insist that other prominent persons are implicated in the offense, as the investigation of the inspectors will develop.

All Hollidaysburg is wondering who is the man behind Mr. Krider. Nobody believes that this aged clergyman planned a systematic assault on a church of a sister faith, and every-

body awaits the disclosure of the name of some prominent individual, who is now seeking to evade both publicity and the United States post-office inspectors.

### An Offensive Comparison.

Prominent citizens received in their mail anonymous letters containing bogus invitations to the Halloween entertainment, in which the recipients were asked to attend the "Feast of Baal." This comparison sought to be established in the letters between an innocent church entertainment and the loathsome immortality of Baal worship of ancient days moved an immediate investigation by the postal authorities, which resulted in the fastening of responsibility upon Rev. Mr. Krider.

The government authorities have not yet indicated their course of action.

### A Big Verdict.

In the Clearfield county court on Friday the jury returned a verdict of \$78,488 in favor of James A. McClain, of Spangler, receiver of the Walnut Coal company against the Pennsylvania railroad company for discrimination in cars. It is expected that the railroad company will appeal the case to the higher courts, and if the verdict is sustained it will mean that the creditors of the coal company will be paid and mining operations resumed. Several other cases of a like character are still pending in the Clearfield county court. Our congratulations, James.

### Wreck Near Lock Haven.

A Pennsylvania and a New York Central freight train came together in rear-end collision on Bald Eagle trestle bridge, one mile east of Lock Haven on Monday night. Several cars tumbled over into the stream and the wreck fired.

Flagman Joseph Hart, of Jersey Shore, jumped on to the rocks and was taken to the hospital seriously injured. Traffic was interrupted for several hours, as both tracks were blocked.

The complete returns for Centre County will be found on page 4 of this issue.

### FIRST SHOW AT STATE COLLEGE.

First Annual Exhibit on November 16, 17 and 18.

The Penn State Crab Apple club, under the supervision of the department of horticulture of the Pennsylvania State college is planning to hold its first annual fruit show at State college, November 16, 17 and 18. It is the desire of the club to have exhibits from every county in the state and also to have as many varieties of fruits and nuts as possible to be displayed. The hearty co-operation of every fruit and nut grower in the state, is needed to make the show a success.

As this is the first attempt at a fruit show it will be impossible to give cash prizes, but ribbons and certificates will be awarded for first, second and third places. The fruit will be judged by a distinguished expert. Have all fruit shipped by express as soon as possible as all entries should be made not later than November 12. Have assignments addressed to Penn State Crab Apple club care department of horticulture, State College, Pa.

Plate exhibits should contain at least six specimens and each specimen should be carefully wrapped in paper and securely packed to avoid injury in shipping.

For additional information consult the Penn State Crab Apple club.

### Virtue Gets Rewarded.

A fund established by Charles D. Rood, a wealthy resident of Hadlow, Mass., to encourage good habits among the young men of the town, has just been drawn upon to reward Howard U. Bennett, of Ludlow Centre, who has never used a profane word, never smoked or chewed tobacco, never touched a drop of liquor and never kissed a girl outside his own family. Bennett's reward was a gold watch, suitably inscribed, which was presented on his 21st birthday.

It is almost a task to sit down and enumerate the big Democratic gains in different parts of the county. We would hardly know where to commence or stop.

### Hunting Territory Greatly Shrunk.

Hunters are going up against trespass notices in all sections of this county by owners of lands, leaving very little territory unprotected. Owners of lands assert that this would not be the case if hunters would not proceed recklessly, doing harm to fences and otherwise. This situation exists in perhaps every county in the state. The reason given is well founded, and owners say there would be no trespass prohibition if it were not for the reasons given and hunters be welcome to the freedom of the lands. An exchange makes the following allusions upon this subject:

"Hunters who have been out report that about all the land not posted with 'trespass signs' belongs to the state, and that private lands are pretty thoroughly peppered with warnings, leaving but little save the middle of the road for hunting purposes. The delivry of some hunters has helped her many farms. One farmer, purchasing signs in Towanda, said that last year hunters made way with sixty of his chickens, and he didn't propose, by heck! to wrap up with a similar dose this year."

### Autos for Circus.

Al Ringling, the circus magnate, declares that the days of the circus horse have about passed. The millionaire showman has made arrangements to have all the cages, collieps and land wagons and lighter vehicles made over into auto trucks. By the beginning of the next circus season all the wagons used in the parades, with the exception of the floats will be propelled by gasoline, electricity and steam. The heavy trucks used for hauling equipment will be made over into trucks with tires wide enough to prevent sinking in the muck of the Middle and Southern states. The horses carried will be reduced to about one-fourth of the present number and will include only the performing equines and those used in the parade.

News was received in Bellefonte of the unfortunate accident of Miss Hannah Newman, who fell in her room sustaining a fracture of the left arm.