

W. C. T. U. COLUMN.
 Conducted by the Tionesta Union.

The W. C. T. U. meets the 2d and 4th Tuesday of each month, at 3 p. m.

President—Mrs. Eli H. Heman.
 Vice President—Mrs. J. G. Dale, Mrs. W. J. Roberts.
 Recording Sec'y—Mrs. L. A. Howe.
 Cor. Sec. & Treas.—Mrs. S. D. Irwin.

COUNTY AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1887.

S. FITZGERALD, Treasurer of Forest County, in account with Forest County, for year ending January 2, 1888.

To balance from Wm. Smearbaugh	\$ 7,747 35	By county orders redeemed	\$11,491 20
To lands redeemed from County	394 24	By 6 per cent. commission	689 48
To rec'd for use of Court Room	1 00	By vouchers for sealed lands re-	402 13
To rec'd for Books sold	1 50	By vouchers for exonerations	310 67
To rec'd for Grass sold	4 00	By 6 per cent. commission on	
To rec'd for oil plank sold	4 50	\$230,78, redemption money	13 84
To rec'd for ink sold	1 50		
To sealed tax for 1887	8,301 43		
To unseated county tax for 1887	3,954 60		
To sealed lands returned for 1888	425 22		
To do for 1888	3,961 92		
To sixty day list for 1887	303 10		
To lands sold by county for 1887	133 00		
To do for HICKORY township	25 00		
To rec'd from city of Bradford ac-			
count Bowen	9 50		
To poor fund Green township	69 25		
To poor fund Hickory township	28 00		
To poor fund Tionesta Bor-			
ough	20 00	By Balance	\$12,570 25
To Balance	\$25,477 66		\$12,570 25

Announcements.

REPRESENTATIVE DELEGATE.
 We are authorized to announce CURTIS M. SHAWKEY, of Tionesta, as a candidate for Representative Delegate to the Republican State Convention, which meets in Harrisburg, April 25, next.

We are authorized to announce H. C. WHITTEKIN, of Tionesta, as a candidate for Representative Delegate to the Republican State Convention.

NATIONAL DELEGATE.
 Please announce my name as a candidate for Delegate to the Chicago Convention, subject to the District Conference.
 A. B. KELLY.
 Tionesta, Jan. 9, 1888.

CALL FOR THE REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.

HEADQUARTERS REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE.
 PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 21, 1888.

The Republican State Convention will be held in the Opera House at Harrisburg, on the last Wednesday of April, the 23d, 1888, at eleven o'clock, a. m., for the purpose of nominating one candidate for Supreme Judge, two persons for Presidential Electors-at-Large, and twenty-eight persons for Presidential Electors, the latter to be named by the Delegates from the Congressional Districts where Districts have not previously named them. Also for the election of four Delegates and four Alternates-at-Large to the Republican National Convention to be held at Chicago, June 16th, 1888.

REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES.

Primaries for election of Delegate to State Convention, and nomination of Delegate to Chicago Convention will be held in the several townships on Tuesday, February 21st, (the day of the February election), the return Judges to meet at the Court House, in Tionesta, on Thursday, Feb'y 23d, at 2 o'clock p. m.

The country in general was considerably startled on Monday by the publication of a letter from Mr. Blaine, addressed to Chairman Jones of the National Committee, in which he makes explicit announcement that he will not be a candidate for President. The Philadelphia Press says that "no one familiar with the feeling which he has repeatedly and unre-servedly expressed to his friends will be surprised at his utterance. It is only the public expression of what he has privately declared for many months, and it is based, not upon political, but upon personal considerations. His own determination being clear he has felt that it was due to the party that it should be advised of the fact in ample time to govern itself accordingly. Had Mr. Blaine remained in the field his nomination would have been certain. It is now for the party to deliberate well and wisely and determine what its own best interests demand and what leader can most successfully carry its standard."

AUDITOR GENERAL NORRIS has been urging the Pennsylvania Representatives in Congress to support the Senate bill now pending in the House of Representatives to refund the direct tax of \$1,900,000 which was paid by this State during the war. Many of the States of the Union failed to pay tax, and few paid the full amount levied upon them, so that it would not be fair to ignore the equities of the case or refuse to reimburse those States which loyally responded to the pressing demands of the Government. This tax-refunding bill obtains an added interest from the declaration of the Commonwealth's financial officer that its approval by Congress would enable the State to repeal the tax on personal property. As that tax has never been uniformly assessed or collected, and has therefore worked injustice to honest taxpayers while retarding the investment of capital in the State, the efforts of the Auditor General should be cordially seconded.—Venango Citizen-Press.

This Democracy counts upon less opposition from the Grand Army of the Republic next Fall than it has met with from that organization in former years. This expectation is based upon the assumption that a good many of the veterans have died since 1884.

A WEEK OF PRAYER FOR THE NATIONAL, STATE AND LOCAL W. C. T. U.
 MARCH 18TH to 25TH, 1888.

BELOVED SISTERS:—We call every union, and every woman in our heroic constituency to spend a week in united and special prayer, both private and public, for such a baptism of wisdom and courage upon ourselves, and such a putting-forth of divine power as shall be felt in all this land. Reasons: The year upon us is one of struggle and of destiny. Within these months the temperance cause shall be in the very heart of a mighty contest. Then let us pray.

First. That upon our great organization may come a fresh impulse from Heaven; and on every active worker a new anointing of the spirit.

Second. For our unused membership held to us by pledge and name, but not consecrated to the spirit and activities of the work. Let us ask God to call our own women from idleness to service.

Third. For the great body of Christian womanhood who yet stand afar from this greatest of missionary agencies for the salvation of our own and other lands.

The meetings of the week need not be widely public, nor their aim to invite universal attention. Begin quietly an afternoon meeting for prayer in your own usual place of meeting, or in a parlor, with the hearts touched already with a longing for more of God in our work, and more of His power on all our people. Make special effort first for all members of the unions, that together we may offer our prayers. If attendance widens, as it will, do not allow discussions upon the temperance reform or its methods.

Seek God. Seek Him alone for a great awakening of the church and the nation. The liquor traffic is here with its abominations legalized because of spiritual death. We need conscience aroused and made true. Sisters of the W. C. T. U., set the week apart, hold at least one meeting a day for the quiet, unostentatious seeking of God herein suggested. Two public evening meetings, with sermons, gospel talks, or conferences would be of great value. The evening of March 25 might be made effective by union services where these can be secured. When the churches cannot give way for this, hold such a meeting in the afternoon of that day.

No topics are suggested lest they lead from the one central thought of all the days. Many things you will remember: our own work; our country's need and peril; the workers who must go out into the coming contest; the pleadings at the fireside; the voters at the ballot box; but this one thing seek and find: God's touch of power upon our own spiritual life, and the spiritual life of the nation.

On behalf of the National W. C. T. U.

FRANCES E. WILLARD, Pres.
CAROLINE B. BUELL, Cor. Sec.

YOU WILL FAIL IF YOU TRY.

"You will fail if you try," said a friend to his neighbor, who was contemplating the accomplishment of some important object. "I shall certainly fail if I don't try," replied that neighbor. How true was the answer! In how many instances is its application most solemn and startling! The sinner will certainly fail of heaven, if he does not try to be saved. The great commission of Jesus Christ will fail to be executed, if the Church does not try to execute it. What was ever obtained by not trying? Try, then, if you may, for worthy objects, and fail, if you must, in trying.

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S. FITZGERALD, Treasurer of Forest County, in account with State of Pennsylvania, for the year ending January 2, 1888.

To balance from Wm. Smearbaugh	\$ 42 15	By State Treasurer vouchers	\$239 19
To State tax for 1887	663 71	By 5 per cent. commission	11 01
To Balance	\$705 87	By Balance	\$705 87

J. R. CHADWICK, County Commissioner, in account with Forest County, for the year ending January 2, 1888.

To orders drawn	\$173 00	By 56 days services	\$104 00
		By 50 miles travel	5 00
		By 50 miles travel	72 50
To orders drawn	\$222 50		\$222 50

P. M. CLARK, District Attorney, in account with Forest County, for the year ending January 2, 1888.

To orders drawn	\$124 00	By fees	\$124 00
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LEONARD AGNEW, Sheriff, in account with Forest County, for year ending January 2, 1888.

To orders drawn	\$355 00	By fees	\$355 00
To jury fees received	40 00	By Balance	40 00
To Balance	\$395 00		\$395 00

EXPENDITURES of Forest County for year ending January 2, 1888.

County Commissioners	629 00	Express and Freight	5 55
County Commissioners' Clerk	720 00	Stenographer	347 00
Counsel fees	60 00	Refunding orders	24 19
Jury fees	256 55	District Attorney	134 00
Jury Commissioners and Clerks	1,920 00	Western Penitentiary	91 65
Assessors	64 10	Cleaning Court House	30 00
Printers	402 06	Auditors and Clerks	114 60
Constables and Tipsters	278 47	Bridges, Repairs, &c.	1,361 69
Court Crier	57 50	County Institute	116 67
Road View	193 30	Coroner's fees	54 19
Fuel and lights	201 25	Special Court expenses	599 88
Commonwealth costs	454 89	County Treasurer's Commissions	793 32
Books and Stationery	199 68	Watchman for Jail	25 50
Repairs on Court House and Jail	137 55	Supplies for Court House and Jail	115 31
Sheriff's Fees	355 00	Witness fees, County Crier	1 50
Prothonotary's Fees	290 20	Jail Physician, Linatic	1 50
Janitor	148 55	Telegrams	2 42
Postage	18 59	Board for Prisoner	36 00
Collector's Commission	533 50	Acknowledging Commissions	5 00
		Deeds	1 25

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF Forest County for the year ending January 2, 1888.

ASSETS.

Balance due on County account by Solomon Fitzgerald, Treasurer	\$12,570 25
Sealed Lands returned for 1887	399 88
Due by D. W. Clark for coal	25 66
Due by Tionesta Township	182 50
Due by Hickory Township	51 43
Due by Green Township	85 00
	\$13,434 66

LIABILITIES.

Amount due on bills not presented for payment	\$ 284 00
Surplus over all liabilities	13,150 66
	\$13,434 66

FOREST COUNTY, ss:
 Pursuant to law we, the undersigned Commissioners of Forest County, publish the foregoing exhibit of the receipts and expenditures of said County for the year ending January 2, 1888. Witness our hands and seals this 16th day of January, A. D. 1888.
 W. D. SHELDS, }
 C. F. LEBERER, } County Commissioners.
 J. J. PARSONS, }

Attest—J. T. BRENNAN, Clerk.

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ESTATE OF ALBERT KINNEY, late of Forest County, deceased, in the Orphan's Court of Forest County.

Letters of administration on the above Estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to the said Estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims, to present the same without delay, to
 J. R. AGNEW, Administrator,
 Feb. 10th, 1888.—61. Tionesta, Pa.

APPEAL NOTICE.
 COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE OF FOREST COUNTY,
 TIONESTA, PA., Jan. 18, 1888.

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners of Forest County will meet at their office in the Court House, at Tionesta, on the twenty-second and twenty-third of February, next, for the purpose of holding a Court of Appeals from the Assessment of 1888.
 W. D. SHELDS,
 C. F. LEBERER,
 County Commissioners.
 Attest, JAS. T. BRENNAN, Clerk.

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PROCLAMATION.
 WHEREAS, The Hon. W. D. Brown, President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions in and for the County of Forest, has issued his precept for holding a Court of Common Pleas Quarter Sessions, &c., at Tionesta, for the County of Forest, to commence on the Fourth Monday of Feb., being the 27th day of Feb., 1888. Notice is therefore given to the Coroner, Justice of the Peace and Constables of said county, that they be then and there in their proper persons at ten o'clock A. M., of said day with their records, inquisitions, examinations, and other remembrances, to do those things which to their office appertain to be done, and to those who are bound in recognition to prosecute against the prisoners that are or shall be in the jail of Forest County, that they may be then and there to prosecute against them as shall be just. Given under my hand and seal this 30th day of January, A. D. 1888.
 GEO. W. SAWYER, [L.S.] Sheriff.

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8:15	at Packer	12:11
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10:30	at Oil City	1:20

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2:15	3:45
3:00	4:30
3:45	5:15
4:30	6:00
5:15	6:45
6:00	7:30
6:45	8:15
7:30	9:00
8:15	9:45

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