

MILFINTOWN.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 10, 1897.

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EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

Reading wants the State Capital.

Philadelphia wants the State Capital.

The Grace Methodist Episcopal church congregation of Harrisburg, tendered their church building to the Legislature to hold its meetings in.

There it is at Harrisburg. The State constitution says in section 28, article 3, "No law changing the location of the Capital of the State shall be valid unless the same shall have been submitted to the qualified electors of the Commonwealth at a general election and ratified and approved by them."

Governor Hastings has refused to grant a requisition for the person of H. H. Bechtel for the prosecutors of the officers of the defunct Newport deposit bank. Bechtel lives in Ohio, and the Governor refuses to sign papers by which a demand can be made for Bechtel's arrest and return to Perry county for trial under the indictment of the Perry county grand jury for embezzlement and receiving money in the bank on deposit when the officers knew the bank was insolvent. The Governor refuses the requisition on the ground that Bechtel was not in Perry county at the time of the alleged crime.

Governor Hastings is reported as being against the taking of the Capital from Harrisburg. Agitators for the purpose of promoting local schemes may urge the taking of the Capital to this or that place, but the thinking people of the Commonwealth who have no axes to grind, will be with the Governor most heartily to keep the Capital where it is. Not one single good reason can be urged for the change of the seat of the State Government. Now the Governor will do one other thing, he can enslave himself in the minds and hearts of the common sense people of the State. If he will announce that five hundred thousand dollars is a sufficient sum with the insurance money of the destroyed building to erect a building where the former one stood for the Legislature to meet and transact its business in, he will be looked upon as the biggest man in public life in Pennsylvania. The Legislative Hall is only one of four buildings on Capital Hill, and a house after the fashion of the new executive chamber and library will be ample for all business purposes and be more in keeping with the dignity of the great Commonwealth than the same gaudy architectural pile of mortar and stone and brick be built as a show and nothing more. Governor Hastings was elected by an unprecedented large majority, because he was believed to be fully in accord with the readjustment of the tariff laws that will put the manufacturing industries in a better shape and enable them to go on with their business and paying their workmen American wages. Now if he places himself in accord with the common sense people of the State in the matter of the creation of a Legislative Hall at a price befitting the dignity of the Commonwealth and befitting the times, he will do the people justice and make himself strong with the best interests of Pennsylvania.

The destruction of the main Capital building at Harrisburg has caused a number of towns to come forward and offer ground sites on which to build a new Capital. The question of a ground site is of no consideration for the State has a location as desirable as Harrisburg as can be obtained anywhere. Harrisburg is as easy to get to as any other place in the Commonwealth and it is a town large enough for State government buildings. To take the Capital to Philadelphia would be to place it in such a community that it would lose its individuality. When it comes to raising money to build a new set of Legislative chambers, it is another question and might have some influence upon the election, if ever an election is held to determine where the new buildings shall be located. The seat of Government cannot be taken away from Harrisburg without the sanction of a majority of the people of the State expressed by a vote at a general election. The people of the Commonwealth will not move the Capital unless some town should agree to put up new buildings with out cost to the State. An offer of that kind might have great weight among the voters of the State. To be relieved of the cost of erecting new buildings might induce the people to vote it to any place where the location of the building without cost to the State would be guaranteed. But who would have interest enough in it to oblige themselves to such a cost. What business could afford it. The Legislature convening at Philadelphia, Pittsburgh or Reading, would not bring money enough into the pockets of the business of any of those places to justify them in erecting new Capital buildings. If it would pay the business people of Philadelphia to erect the Capital buildings there, it would pay the people of Harrisburg to put up the new building and present them to the State. The only thing that does not get now, would be the money that members spend for board and hotel bills. After the wind is all out of the question, it will be the business of the fact that the State has to foot the bill for the erection of new buildings, and the location that it owns at Harrisburg is not excelled by any other place in the Commonwealth and therefore Harrisburg is destined to remain the Capital town of the Commonwealth.

A Fighting Woman

Every community has its fighting men, but it is not every community that can turn out a savage fighting woman as it was encountered by Constable Elias Gotschall at Shunk, Pa., on the 3rd of the present

month. The constable had gone to serve a bench warrant on her. He found the house barricaded. He attempted to enter the house. Mrs. Klaminski poured hot water over him. The constable fell in, which he encouraged her that she went at him with an axe and laid him low with one blow, cutting a fearful gash in his head. She then aimed another sweeping stroke at him and buried the axe in the door by his neck. In terror of his life, Gotschall screamed for help, and drawing his arms around the woman's ankles, managed to pull her to the door.

The constable and the woman struggled and fought together on the floor, and the opportune arrival of a man who had heard Gotschall's cries for help probably only saved the constable from utter defeat. After a desperate struggle the woman was taken into court before Judge Savage. The judge fined her \$100 for contempt of court and instructed the grand jury to find a bill against her for assault and battery with intent to kill.

Sheriff's Proclamation

Deputy General Elkins has advised the Sheriff of the Commonwealth that the sheriff's election proclamation need not be a facsimile of the official election ballot, but may be printed in the form agreed upon by the county officers, providing all the nominations are given.

A Time to Drink

Judge Biddle at Carlisle last week granted thirty-six liquor licenses under the following conditions: Retailers shall close and lock their bars rooms not later than 10:30 o'clock at night and shall not sell or furnish any liquor at night after that hour. Retailers and wholesalers shall close and lock their places of business not later than 9 o'clock on the nights of Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and not later than 10 o'clock on Saturday night, and shall not sell, furnish or deliver any liquor at night after said hours.

Reduced Rates on Washington via Pennsylvania Railroad

For the benefit of those who desire to attend the ceremonies incident to the inauguration of President McKinley, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets to Washington, March 1, 2, 3 and 4, valid to return from March 4 to 8, at Philadelphia \$3.00, Baltimore \$1.00, Harrisburg \$5.00, Williamsport \$8.75, Buffalo \$11.20, Rochester \$10.45, Altoona and Pittsburgh \$10.00, and from all other stations on the Pennsylvania system at reduced rates.

The Independent Stage Driver

Eastern tourists who cannot differentiate between a California stage driver and an eastern coachman meet with many a rude shock in the wild and woolly west, and they soon learn that the Californian is a knight of the reins several grades higher in the social scale than the mental of the east. There is an old driver at Monterey who is determined that his patrons shall make no mistake concerning his exact status, and in a quiet way he checks all attempts to make a servant of him. A short time ago he was driving a party of four to the coast. One of the party, a lady who had admired him not a little by her air of superiority asked: "My man, do you know the name of that wild flower?" "Yes," he replied and flicked one of his leaders with his whip. She paused a moment for him to give the name, but he merely clicked to the wheels. "Well, do you know the name of that flower?" she repeated in an imperious tone. "Yes, Glit up there, Bally!" Again she waited and again demanded: "Man, don't you know the name of that flower?" "Yes, Glit up there, Bally!" "Then why don't you tell me?" "Oh, you want to know, too, don't you? That's a wild rose." San Francisco Post.

NICARAGUA CANAL BILL

The measure will be pushed to final passage in the Senate. The Senate yesterday voted to take up the Nicaragua canal bill. This gives the measure the parliamentary advantage of being first finished business of the Senate, so that it will be considered from day to day until action is secured. The prospect is that a final vote will be taken on an early day. Senator Morgan, of Alabama, opened the debate with a lengthy speech in favor of the measure. Mr. Morgan said it should be determined whether American control of the canal or the upholding of the Monroe doctrine was to be included among the differences to be submitted to arbitration under the Anglo-American treaty. The canal bill provides for an issue of \$100,000,000 of United States bonds, of which the United States is to subscribe for \$70,000,000 of shares. The company is to issue bonds up to \$100,000,000 to be guaranteed by the United States. It is substantially the measure passed by the Senate in the last Congress. Mr. Chandler introduced the bill and the Senate will hold an international monetary conference, and also a bill providing for a permanent census bureau, with a superintendent at \$5,000.

Fairbanks Elected Senator

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 10.—Charles W. Fairbanks was elected United States senator at noon today. The Senate and House voted separately, and tomorrow will meet in joint session to canvass the vote and proclaim the result. The Senate elected Fairbanks by a vote of 65 to 35. The House elected him by a vote of 219 to 181. The Democratic caucus and representatives nominated Daniel W. Voorhees in caucus last night, and cast their votes for him today. The six Populists voted for Leroy Tompkins, of Indianapolis.

LEGAL.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

COUNTY OF JUNIATA

From January 1, 1896, to January 3, 1897, inclusive.

To the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of Juniata County:

We the undersigned Auditors elected and sworn according to law, to examine, audit and settle the account of the Commissioners, Sheriff and Treasurer of the County of Juniata, for the year ending December 31, 1896, not for that purpose in the Auditor's Office, in Millifort, on Monday, being the fourth day of January, 1897, and found the same account as follows:

1896, S. North, Treasurer, DR. CR.

Jan. 1, To balance forward, \$9,888.80

To outstanding tax county, 15,981.57

Outstanding tax state, 1,082.49

Taxes levied in 96 county, 28,962.62

" " " state, 2,211.71

To additional assessment county, 92.66

County bonds sold, 372.10

To 5 per cent added state, 81.01

To cash from sale of bonds, 13,850.00

To cash from Laurens Co. bonds, 16.00

To cash from County Committee of Chas. Ramsey, 91.99

To cash Fayette township keeping hand bill, 79.88

To cash from Walker township, 23.00

To cash from Sheriff Calhoun, 29.50

To cash from Sheriff Calhoun, 115.00

To cash from County Committee of liquor licenses, 156.75

To cash from miscellaneous sources, 44.50

Total, \$55,910.95

Dec. 31, by overpaid taxes, 91.61

By order of 1896, 17.36

By order of 1896, 41,705.28

By order of 1896, 16,359.10

By outstanding tax state, 109.23

Total, \$59,716.88

January 4, Balance due county, 6,947.07

To cash from Sheriff DR. CR.

January 1st, fines collected, 115.00

December 31, to cash paid Treasurer, 115.00

1897 W. S. North, Treasurer, DR. CR.

January 1, To balance last year, 247.62

To 5 per cent added and additional assessment, 13.70

To tax levied, 1896, 587.69

To cash from county, 47.47

To additional assessment, 13.00

Total, \$1,493.74

December 31st, By orders paid sheep damage 1896, 5.50

By order paid sheep damage, 221.52

By tax outstanding, 677.63

By error 6 per cent, added each account, 25.00

Total, \$905.10

1897, Jan. 1, By balance forward, \$98.64

Outstanding taxes Dec. 31, 1896, 115.00

County, 358.55

J. O. Brown, Beale, 582.93

Jacob Ferry, Greenwood, 955.50

John E. Trego, Lack, 838.02

S. H. Rolman, Millifort, 221.82

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E. O. Ellis, work on fence, 5.40

James Horning, carpenter, court 40.49

George J. Stutz, carpenter, 100.00

Millifort water company, water house, 2.00

Emil Scholt, building for court house, 39.99

H. D. Funk, plumbing, 1.00

W. W. Calhoun, coal and lumber, 1.00

W. H. Maul, grass seed for court yard, 1.25

W. H. G. Clark, moving boxes, 2.70

W. S. Arbogast, nails, locks and court house supplies, 71.93

O. P. Robinson, painting jail porch, 7.75

F. O. Doty, draft for supplies, 9.38

Lewis Emery, moving boxes, 3.00

Harry Horning, hauling ashes, 19.00

Jacob Ellis, work on jail and court house, 10.00

Daniel Brown, work on Millifort bridge, 10.00

H. E. Bessall, subscription to jail, 3.15

C. Seeger, material for court house, 40.45

C. C. McClellan, material and repairs jail and court house, 36.97

Geo. S. Goring, burial of veteran, 10.00

Joseph Lauer, burial of veteran, 10.00

W. E. Wolf, Purdon's digest, 18.00

Western Penitentiary, expense in notes, 830.59

Huntingdon Reformatory, expense inmates, 840.60

J. P. Calhoun, taking Mrs. Caveny to asylum, 27.13

S. E. Kinzer, express charge, 6.15

M. H. K. Nelson, coal, 96.75

N. S. Serratt, coal, for court house, 110.21

C. W. Goring, State lunatic asylum, 65.60

W. H. Zeider, probatory, Ramsey case, 21.50

D. M. C. Cravens, county institution, 46.10

A. C. Harris and others, scalps, 7.00

O. W. Brown, overpaid tax, 4.95

T. W. Asker, tombstone on veterans, 70.00

Pennsylvania Lunatic Hospital, 90.25

T. A. Hill, Treasurer State asylum, 191.25

Thomas P. Morris, lunatic asylum, 18.14

W. S. North, State on bonded indebtedness, 407.41

W. S. North, railroad tickets tramps, 2.40

Julius Derr, preparing tramps, 4.00

W. F. Snyder, burial of tramps, 20.00

H. S. Scholl, for burial ground, 6.00

J. P. Calhoun, at jail, 21.73

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Assessing and Registering, 129.55

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