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Solicitor of Patents. Government claims attended to. [16feb82

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TAKES EFFECT JAN. 1, 1882.

TRAINS NORTH. 10 Way Mail.	4 Acc'tion	STATIONS.		TRAINS SOUTH. 3 Acc'tion.	9 Way Mail
P.M.	A.M.			A.M.	P.M
6.20	9.20	Ar.	...Towanda... Dep.	6.17	3.15
6.03	9.05	Dep.	....Monroe.... Ar.	6.35	3.30
6.02	9.04	Ar.	....Monroe.... Dep.	6.41	3.31
5.58	8.50	"	.. Masontown .. "	6.47	3.36
5.53	8.54	"	.. Greenwood .. "	6.52	3.40
5.46	8.46	"	....Westons ... "	7.00	3.47
*5.39	*8.38	"	....Summit.... "	*7.11	*3.54
*5.35	*8.35	"	....Lamoka.... "	*7.15	*3.58
5.31	8.31	"	Long Valley Junc "	7.19	4.02
5.20	8.15	Dep.	Foot of Plane. Ar.	7.37	4.15

* Indicates that trains do not stop.

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EASTWARD.

STATIONS.	15	9	7	3
	P.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.
Niagara Falls	2.05	7.20	....	7.15
Buffalo	2.50	8.25	....	9.20
Rochester	5.15	10.05	....	....
Lyons	6.30	11.05	....	....
Geneva	6.55	11.33	....	....
Ithaca	8.33	1.00	....	....
Auburn	8.15	11.05	....	....
Owego	8.50	1.35	....	....
Elmira	9.10	1.45	9.00	3.45
Waverly	9.45	2.10	9.40	4.15
Sayre	10.10	*2.30	10.00	4.30
Athens	10.15	2.34	10.05	4.34
Milan	....	....	10.16	....
Ulster	....	....	10.25	....
Towanda	10 46	3.06	10 43	5 05
Wyalusing	....	....	10.54	5.13
Standing Stone	....	....	11.03	....
Rummerfield	....	....	11.10	5.26
Frenchtown	....	....	11.10	....
Wyalusing	....	3.36	11.30	5.43
Laceyville	11.42	3.57	11.50	6.03
Skinner's Eddy	....	....	11.53	6.07
Meshoppen	....	4.12	12.10	6.23
Mehoopany	....	....	12.16	6.28
Funkhannock	12.23	4.35	1.00	7.10
LaGrange	....	....	1.10	7.20
Falls	....	....	1.24	7.35
L & B Junction	1.05	5.10	1.45	8.05
Wilk.-Barre	1.35	5.30	2.20	8.35
Mauch Chunk	3.45	7.35	4.50	11.00
Allentown	4.44	8.29	5.33	12.00
Bethlehem	5.00	8.45	6.05	12.15
Easton	5.30	9.00	6.40	12.55
Philadelphia	6.55	10.40	8.40	2.20
New York	8.05	....	9.15	3.35
	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.

WESTWARD.

STATIONS.	8	30	2	12
	P.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.
New York	6.30	....	7.40	3.40
Philadelphia	8.00	....	9.00	4.15
Easton	9.25	....	10.15	5.50
Bethlehem	9.50	....	10.45	6.15
Allentown	10.05	....	10.54	6.24
Mauch Chunk	11.05	....	11.55	7.25
Wilkes-Barre	1.05	7.30	2.03	9.45
L & B Junction	1.35	8.01	2.25	10.10
Falls	....	8.27	....	10.32
LaGrange	....	8.45	....	10.46
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Mehoopany	....	9.20	....	11.22
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Laceyville	3.02	9.50	3.46	11.50
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Rummerfield	....	10.37	....	12.24
Standing Stone	....	10.44	....	12.30
Wyalusing	....	10.54	....	12.37
Towanda	3.39	11.05	4.43	12.46
Ulster	....	11.17	4.55	12.57
Milan	....	11.26	....	1.06
Athens	4.30	11.3..	5.10	1.15
Sayre	4.40	11.41	5.20	1.23
Waverly	4.45	11.50	5.30	1.30
Elmira	5.25	12.40	6.15	2.15
Owego	5.30	....	6.25	....
Auburn	8.30	....	9.35	....
Ithaca	6.10	....	6.40	....
Geneva	7.41	....	8.14	....
Lyons	8.40	....	8.50	....
Rochester	9.50	6.10	9.40	....
Buffalo	11.40	8.10	12.05	8.00
Niagara Falls	1.03	9.25	1.08	9.40
	P.M.	P.M.	A.M.	A.M

No. 32 leaves Wyalusing at 6:00, A. M., Frenchtown 6.14, Rummerfield 6.23, Standing Stone 6.31 Wysauking 6.40, Towanda 6.53, Ulster 7.06, Milan 7:16, Athens 7:25, Sayre 7:30, Waverly 7:55, arriving at Elmira 8:50, A. M.

No. 31 leaves Elmira 5:15 P. M., Waverly 6:00, Sayre 6:15, Athens 6:20, Milan 6:30, Ulster 6:40, Towanda 6:55, Wysauking 7:03, Standing Stone 7.14, Rummerfield 7:22, Frenchtown 7:32, arriving at Wyalusing at 7:45., P. M.

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HOTEL FOR SALE.—I offer the American Hotel property for sale at a great bargain. The Hotel may be seen on the corner of Bridge and Water streets, in Towanda Borough. It is one of the best and most central locations in the place. There is a good barn connected with the property. The free bridge and new depot near to it make this Hotel desirable for any one wishing to engage in the business. A good active man with a small capital can pay for the property in a short time from the profits. It was papered and painted new last spring and is now in excellent condition.

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JEWESS.

My dark-browed daughter of the sun,
Dear Bedouin of the desert sands,
Sad daughter of the ravished lands,
Of savage Sinai, Babylon—
O Egypt-eyed, thou art to men
A God-encompassed mystery!

I see sad Hagar in thine eyes.
The obelisks, the pyramids,
Lie hid beneath thy drooping lids.
The tawny Nile of Moses lies
Portrayed in thy strange people's force
And solemn mystery of source.

The black abundance of thy hair
Falls like some sad twilight of June
Above the dying afternoon.
And mourns thy people's mute despair.
The large solemnity of night.
O Israel, is in thy sight!

Then come where stars of freedom spill
Their splendor, Jewess. In this land,
The same broad hollow of God's hand
That held you ever, outholds still.
And whether you be right or nay,
'Tis God's, not Russia's here to say.

—*Joaquin Miller in the June Century.*

A FLOWER FOR THE DEAD.

You placed this flower in her hand, you say?
This pure, pale rose in her hand of clay!
Methinks could she lift her sealed eyes
They would meet your own with a grieved surprise.

She has been your wife for many a year,
When clouds hung low and when skies were clear;
At your feet she laid her life's glad spring,
And her summer's glorious blossoming.

Her whole heart with the hand you won;
If its warm love waned as the years went on,
If it chilled in the grasp of an icy spell.
What was the reason? I pray you tell.

You cannot? I can! and beside her bier
My soul must speak, and your soul must hear,
If she was not all that she might have been,
Here was the sorrow—yours the sin!

Whose was the fault if she did not grow
Like a rose in the summer? Do you know?
Does a lily grow when its leaves are chilled?
Does it bloom when its foot is winter killed?

For a little while, when you first were wed,
Your love was like sunshine round her shed;
Then a something crept between you two,
You led where she could not follow you.

With a man's firm tread you went and came;
You lived for wealth, for power, for fame:
Shut into her woman's work and ways,
She heard the nation chant your praise,

But ah! you had dropped her hand the while,
What time had you for a kiss, a smile!
You two, with the same roof overhead,
Were as far apart as the sundered dead.

You in your manhood's strength and prime;
She—worn and faded before her time,
'Tis a common story. This rose you say
You laid in her pallid hand to-day?

When did you give her a flower before!
Ah, well! What matter, when all is o'er?
Yet stay a moment: you'll wed again;
I mean no reproach; 'tis the way of men.

But I pray you think, when some fairer face
Shines like a star from her wonted place,
That love will starve if it is not fed,
That true hearts pray for their daily bread.

—*Sunday Afternoon.*

A FEARFUL NIGHT.

I was invited to a lunch party in one of the inland cities of Pennsylvania not long ago, and was much impressed by the appearance of one of the younger ladies present. She was not beautiful, but united the striking characteristics of a brilliant, fresh complexion, and a profusion of hair, white as snow, which was wound on the top of her head after the fashion of Madrozo's "Marquise," belonging to Mrs. A. T. Stewart. She was very merry, a good talker, and, I must confess, I contrived to occupy the larger part of her attention with the tendency toward monopolizing the best which the moment affords that I am told is often observed by my familiars.

After bidding adieu to the ladies, I turned to the obliging friend who had been my sponser at these incidental gaities of——, and casually remarked, after talking somewhat of my new acquaintance:

"By Jove what hair! It accents her whole apppearance. Wasn't she lucky to achieve it young?

My friend removed his cigar.

"That depends upon how you look at it. I am inclined to think, considering all things, that she was. I doubt, however, if she wouldn't say to-day that the price was rather large. And it was a pretty big price. Do you like stories? I'm minded to tell one, if you like, about the white hair you admire so much.

We went over to the hotel and something like this my friend told me:

"You have no idea, you city people, the interest we country people take in the courtships of young folks. From the time Harry Wells began to sidle up to Mamie Clausen at church socials until their marriage in the First Presbyterian church the entire community gave minute consideration to their affairs. Mamie's father, John Clausen, who and is now a promiuent commission merchant, was generally considered wealthy, and has always lived at least like a man of means. Mamie was pretty and dashing, a local belle and a great favorite. Harry's people lived a few miles from town, and they, too, were people of reputation in the county. Old Jack Wells represented us a few times in the Legislature and has accumulated in one way and another a handsome property.

"The marriage was in every way a suitable one. Harry was educated at Princeton, and although he had at one time the reputation of being wild, he has sobered down, and was at any rate such a frank, manly young fellow that he was generally forgiven any discretion.

As I say, the marriage was the occasion of general rejoicing. Mamie's father gave her an unusually good send off, and the details were sent far and wide through the State. Harry had studied law, although he didn't have much inclination for it, the old man thinking political experience might serve Harry in that way, and had settled into a country notary, drawing up deeds and doing up back-work of that sort. They lived about four miles out of town, and two miles from old Jack's. He had built them a pretty modern cottage on a detached portion of his farm. Harry had his office, an ornamental little structure, a few rods from the house, and there they lived as happy as two birds.

Gradually Harry picked up business, and finally through his father he became trustee for the minor heirs. They were an odd lot of children, with a half-crazy mother and no end to coal mines and mining investments. It was a good thing for Harry, although it gave a naturally lazy man some additional work. The worst thing was that it obliged him to go to Scranton now and then and leve Mamie. You may imagine that there was a good deal of visiting at the house of two such popular young people, and that four-mile stretch of road was generally kept pretty warm. When Harry had to go away Mamie would get into her phaeton and drive to town, and there was always some of the young people to go out and keep her company. Harry always insisted that she mustn't stay alone. For a law-abiding State we have a pretty rough element in it, and, although we haven't had much to complain of here, there is a general sense of uneasiness.

One August afternoon Harry had an unexpected summons to go to Scranton about a suit connected with the minor heirs. He had recently sold some of their property and had been making various collections, which left in his hands about $4,500. When he found he had to go off at a few moments' notice he wrapped up a bundle of papers and his money and took them into the house. Mamie was making preparation for a picnic they were to go to the next day, and begged him to wait until the day after.

"But, my dear child, I haven't time even to go to town, and put these in the bank, so you'll have to take care of them. I'll try and get back in two days at the furthest, meanwhile nobody will know that the money is here."

Then he explained to her the value of the papers and handed her a canvas bag, in which was the $4,500 belonging to the minor heirs.

"Where will I keep it, Harry? Between the mattress?"

"Just like a woman! No. But I declare I don't know where to tell you. The most insecure place apparently is often the most secure. Any place, dear, but between the mattresses. I leave that to you. But you must guard it, if necessary, with your life, for remember the money is not ours, and at all hazzards I am responsible. I don't really suppose there is the least danger, for no one knows I have it. But one ought to take proper precautions, and I beg of you not to admit any tramps while I am gone. Tell Sarah not even to allow them to stop long enough to eat a biscuit."

"All right, dear; we won't let the tramps have a drink even, and I'll take care of the money you may be sure."

Harry bade his wife good-bye and Mamie gave up the picnic. At the end of two days she received a telegram from him, saying he had been detained, and telling her to get some one to stay with her for two days, when he would be at home. She drove into town and one of her old friends went out with her. At the end of two days she had another telegram, saying he had been detained until the next day. Her friend went home, and in place of Harry came a third telegram, and so every day for ten days he was expected home, and every day came a disappointing telegram. By this time she had become accustomed to her charge, which she had set like a bag of seed beans in a corner of a dark closet opening from her room.

The afternoon of the tenth day was a hot, murky afternoon. Mamie had gone up stairs to take a nap and refresh before dressing to meet Harry, who was expected home after the longest absence he had ever made from her.

After a time Sarah came up and told her there was a tramp down stairs who wanted something to eat, and who would not be driven off.

"You oughtn't to leave him a minute alone, Sarah. Go down and watch him, and I will come down and send him off."

She dressed herself quickly and went down stairs, surprised to find how late it had grown. When she reached the kitchen she found also a messenger with another telegram which announced another disappointment, but the next day, without fail, Harry wrote, he would be home. As Mamie turned into the kitchen she heard the tramp and Sarah in evident dispute.

"Yes" said the fellow, a when that time comes your mistress will have another ironing table, helping you, instead of wearing her Sunday clothes every day."

"An' spoilin' everything for me to do over. I think I see her. I've work enough to do," answered honest Sarah, indisposed to have a chat over her work.

Mamie found a graceless-looking fellow, unshaven and ill-dressed who, with a certain gentlemanly instinct, rose as she came in.

"I suppose my girl told you we had nothing for you, and that it will be a great kindness if you will leave as soon as possible."

"Yes, she did just that, madam, but I took it upon myself to believe it wasn't so urgent. The truth is, I'm very hungry and dead tired, and I didn't believe but that you would give me something to eat; at least I've waited to ask you in person."

Women are soft-hearted creatures. Mamie went and got him something to eat, herself. The darkness that had been increasing for some time came down rapidly and there burst one of those terrific thunder-stoms that gather so suddenly and with such force in this country. After its strength was spent—and I remember that it was the most violent of the season—there fell steady sheets of rain that brought Rock Creek over the bridges before morning.

"Ma'am, it's no use in talking. You can't mean to send a fellow out in such a storm," said the tramp, as the three stood on the porch watching the storm.

"I'm sorry, but I've no place for you."

"What, in a house like this. It's a pity there isn't a cranny for a stowaway. I was walking around it, waiting for the girl, and it seems to be able to hold three people."

"You are very impertinent. I have no place for you, and the storm is already breaking away."

As she spoke even the rain came down in blinding sheets, and lightning streaked the heavens.

"Well," he said carelessly, "we don't go much on manners on the road, but I know I wouldn't send a dog out such a night as this. I'm not a particular chap, leastwise not nowadays, and I'll have to insist on your giving me some sort of shelter, if it's only your dog-kennel."

The man spoke with decision. Mamie felt that after all they were really in his power, and possibly it might be worth while to do civilly what she would probably have to do at last.

"I will keep you on one condition," she said. "There is a loaft to the house, a sort of a garret, which is very comfortable. It is closed with a trap door, and you may sleep on the lounge there if you will allow us to lock the door on the outside."

"Bless my stars and garters!" he said, looking at her curiously. "I don't care where you lock the door."

They took him up stairs, and he climbed up the steep attic stairs. The women shut the door as he very politely bade them good night, and they fastened the padlock, hearing him chuckled to himself as he kicked off his boots.

"I'd take the key, mum," said Sarah.

Mamie took the key with her and the two descended to shut up the house. After they had made everything secure they went back up stairs

"You must sleep in my room to-night, Sarah," the mistress said, Sarah dragged in her bedding and made a pallet on the floor, and then, after the custom of women, they examined the closets, looked under the bed and piled the chairs against the locked door. The rain was still falling heavily and the night was black as ink. The mistress and maid went to bed and, although worried and anxious, finally went to sleep.

About midnight Mamie found herself awake and a bright light shining in the room. She started up and saw that it was the moonlight. The storm had cleared away at last. She got up unable to compose herself immediately, and went to the window. The moon was indeed shining brightly. As she stood looking at the peaceful scene before her she saw way down the road, for it was as bright as day, several horsemen. It was such an unusual sight at this hour that she stood watching them as they came nearer. To her surprise they turned up the lane leading toward the house, and on reaching the gate came into the yard. Now, almost paralyzed with fear, she saw that they were masked. The truth almost blinded her. They knew that she was alone, that she had this money and they had come to get it. For a moment she was paralyzed. She remembered Harry's last words: "You must guard it with your life if necessary."

She ran to the sleeping Sarah and awakened her. She got down Harry's rifle, which he had loaded and taught her to use. The sleeping girl was soon thoroughly awake, and she explained to her their condition.

"It's the tramp that's done it."

"The tramp. No, Sarah, the key to the attic."

She flew up the stairs, unlocked the padlock and opened the trap. The man sprang up at the sound.

"Come, come with me." His own senses alert, and hearing the noise of the horses below and steps about the house, he followed her without a word. At the foot of the stairs she stopped.

"I have a large sum of money in the house and those men have come to get it, thinking I am alone. If they kill me that money must be guarded."

"What, have you pistols, shotguns?" he whispered, taking in the whole situation.

"Here is my husband's rifle." Is it loaded?

"Hist. Where are they going to break in?" The steps came boldly on the piazza to the front door.

"Get behind me. I will fire at the first man that enters. How many barrels are there?"

"Six, all loaded."

"Very well. Keep this cane in your hand for me in case I need it."

"There was no storming of shutters. They heard the key applied to the door softly. It opened and a man followed by two others confidently entered. The first figure walked directly to the stairs. He had taken but a step when three shots came in rapid succession. There was a heavy thud; this man dropped and the other two turned and fled. Sarah ran to the window and two horses galloped the lane.

"Don't faint, madam; there's work yet to do," said the tramp.

Mamie caught hold of the rail for support and then went into the room. "Get a candle, Sarah."

They lighted a candle and gave it to the tramp, who went down stairs, the two women following with brandy and ammonia. The man had fallen backward and lay with his face up and head toward the door.

"Raise the mask and give him air first, madam."

Mamie raised the mask and fell back with a wild shriek.

"Do you want to know now why her hair is white?" he asked.

"It was Harry Wells!" I answered.

"It was that smiling, popular young scamp."

"It's no use to ask why he did it.—I don't care. Motives don't matter in such a case. But she, Mamie—Mrs. Wells—she has gray hair, but there is no trace of that midnight tragedy in her face."

"I believe she was ill for a long time, answered my friend. "They say small pox cures one of other diseases. Well, some griefs are like small pox; they cure you of lesser weakness—tenderness of the heart, for example. This, I think, was one of them."

"And the tramp"—

"He and Sarah were of course the witnesses at the inquest, The next day he was off on his journey, and I have never heard of him since.

MITCHELL'S CONVENTION.

MEETING OF INDEPENDENTS AT PHILADELPHIA—A FULL TICKET NOMINATED.

The Independents held their Convention at Philadelphia on Wednesday of last week. Delegates were present from nearly every county in the State. Senator Mitchell was elected temporary chairman by acclamation amid cheers and applause. Mr. Mitchell made a brief speech in which he said he was heartily in sympathy with the independent movement. He trusted that what was done by the convention would be approved and ratified by the people of the commonwealth. The work of the convention was to nominate a ticket that would receive the respect and support of the republican party.

At the conclusion of Mr. Mitchell's speech the roll of delegates was called after which the Convention proceeded to elect permanent officers.

H. C. Foster of Venango was chosen permanent chairman. Foster made a speech during which he said the death of Garfield was chargeable to the spoils system, and remarked that political power hat long been regarded as a sort of patrimony, to be handed down from father to son.

The committee on rules reported the platform, the reading of which was frequently interrupted by applause, which certain planks, and the spoils system elicited.

THE PLATFORM.

The platform was adopted unanimously and it reads as follows:

We, the republicans of Pennsylvania, who will not surrender our political rights and who maintain the exercise of our conscience and judgment concerning public affairs, having assembled at a state convetion, make the following declaration of principles and purposes:

Resolved, first, We declare attachment to the principles of the republican party, to freedom, union, nationality, equal rights before the law, the maintenance of the public faith, protection of home industry; and we demand that the record which has been so nobly made shall be wisely and fearlessly perpetuated.

Resolved, second, We declare that the nomination and election of James A. Garfield to the presidency signified to us the triumph of a true reform in civil service and of enlarged liberty of action for the masses of the republican party in the nomination of candidates and in the conduct of their party affairs, and we deplore the overwhelming evidence presented to us in Pennsylvania that the calamity of his assassination has been followed by the overthrow of these reforms in the hands of his successor.

Resolved, third, We denounce the system which makes "patronage" and "spoils" out of public offices; we denounce the practice of giving them to political managers for use in advancing personal political ends; we denounce the removal of faithful and competent officers in the absence of public reason; we denounce the practice of levying assessments and demanding contributions for party use from public officials; we denounce severally and collectively the evils and corruptions which accompany the conduct of the government as the "spoils system" and which are inseparable from such a method of administration, and we denounce the system of "boss rule" and "machine" control which, when tamely endured, makes leaders into autocrats, and reduces the masses of citizenship into political bondage.

Resolved, fourth, We declare our purpose to take up work which fell when Garfield fell; we demand in place of the "spoils system" a reformation in the civil service by law, so that appointive places therein may be freely open to all fit industrious citizens, and removals therefrom shall be only for good and sufficient public cause; we demand instead of the prostitution of the public service to private uses, its recognition on as a high and honorable trust to be administered for the people's benefit, with efficiency, economy, and integrity; we demand instead of the insolence of proscription and tyranny, "bossism and" machine rule," the free conscientious exercise of private judgment in political affairs and the faithful discharge by those who assume representative trusts of the expressed will of the people.

Resolved, fifth, We declare in favor of the following party reforms: (1.) That delegates to state conventions shall be chosen by the people in the manner in which the candidates for the general assembly are nominated. (2.) That the representation in the state convention shall be by counties and shall be apportioned according to their republican vote. (3.) That the state conventions shall not be held without at least sixty days notice, nor earlier than the second Wednesday in July, except in presidential years. (4.) That the republicans who voted for the republican candidate for president at the presidential election next preceding, shall be entitled to join in the choice of delegates to the state and national conventions.

The nominations for the state ticket being in order Major Merrick said he desired no place upon the ticket and he nominated for governor ex-chief justice Agnew. Doane nominated Senator Stewart. Wayne MacVeagh's name was withdrawn after several delegates had declared that MacVeagh would not accept.

The ballot resulted, Stewart 139, Agnew 62.

The nomination of Stewart was made unanimous.

The following were placed in nomination for lieutenant governor