

BUTLER CITIZEN.

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Republican County Ticket.

For District Attorney, SAMUEL B. SNYDER, of Butler. For County Surveyor, B. F. HILLIARD, of Washington twp.

This is the last month that matches will be taxed, or stamps have to be put upon bank checks.

The Harmony Fair will be the first to come off in this county this year, taking place September 11, 12 and 13.

The Legislature re-assembled yesterday. Apportionment bills will be all that can come before it, and they should speedily be passed.

Messrs. Greer of the Senate and Ziegler of the House were at home here during the recent recess of the Legislature. They are both looking well and seem to be living well.

The Jury Commissioner has been repealed, and no more will be elected after the expiration of the term of those now in office. Juries hereafter will be selected by the Sheriff and the Board of County Commissioners.

Mr. Eckart Kaib, one of the road supervisors of Butler township, has had the officers of the P. & W. Railroad Co., arrested for failure to repair or use a township road, taken or used by them in the construction of the said road.

The Fayette county Republicans last week resolved not to place in nomination a Republican candidate for Judge, in order that they might be able to join with all good citizens in defeating the election of Seagriff, the Democratic nominee and friend of Dukes.

Reports by persons coming to Court this week, say that the recent storms have done serious injury in some parts of the county. In Muddybrook township fences were blown down, orchard trees leveled to the ground and much other damage done. Similar damage was done in some other townships.

About the principal question discussed, in connection with the coming Republican State Convention, is the one as to who to make Chairman of the State Committee. As all sides are disposed to give Tom Cooper, the present one, a rest, we suggest his successor be taken from the western part of the State. The eastern part has held it for several years past.

An account of the ending of the Star Route trials will be seen in another place of this paper. All the defendants were acquitted, although the most stupendous stealing and robbery in the Post Office Department ever known to the Government was proven. The trials have lasted over a year, and more than a million dollars expended by the Government in the trials. It is difficult to believe that President Arthur and his Attorney General, Brewster, were really sincere or honestly endeavored to have the defendants convicted.

We have been informed that the preliminary survey has been completed preparatory to the location of a railroad, the northern terminus of which is to be at Rochester, N. Y., and the southern terminus at Pittsburgh, Pa. The route as surveyed passes through Punxsutawney and Dayton, Armstrong county, crossing the Allegheny river five miles north of Kittanning and goes to Craigsville and enters Butler county in Clearfield township, and will connect with the P. & W. R. R. somewhere in Summit township. The road is to be of the standard gauge, and if built will open up the rich coal, limestone and mineral deposits of a large portion of Armstrong and Butler counties.

Another train was thrown from the track of the Little road, as it is called, on Sunday evening last, near Carbon Center. As in other cases it was caused by running over a cow. The cow appears to be unfortunate on the Narrow Gauge, more, it is said, having been killed on it within a few years past than on the West Penn ever since its construction. There is something wrong some place with this road in this matter. We referred recently to the law requiring guards or gates at crossings. But the remedy needed is a law requiring all railroads to fence their tracks. This the late Legislature failed to do this county.

Butler Post Office.

No appointment has as yet been made for Postmaster at this place. We had expected to have no occasion to refer to this subject just now. But seeing a communication from Congressman Miller in the Mercor papers and copied here, we have only to add now to what has already been brought to his notice, that every point stated therein is in dispute, and that the only fair and just way to ascertain where the majority of the Republicans of this town are on the question, or the majority of those getting their mails at this office, would be by a popular expression or vote. This request has been made in various forms and at different times. The friends of Mrs. Black ask nothing more and will abide cheerfully by the result. But they will be satisfied with nothing less. It is, therefore, as useless as it is unfair to assume as true an alleged state of affairs that do not exist, or the existence of which can only be determined by a submission to an election. Why the matter hangs in the shape it does we confess we do not understand.

The New Bedford, Mass., school committee have voted that sewing should be taught in the schools, and elected Sarah McAfee as teacher of sewing, fixing her salary at \$500. The girls in four grades are to sew one hour in each week under the teacher's instruction, the boys meantime having general exercises in arithmetic and practical business problems. The committee was not unanimous in this department, one man objecting that it was not worth while for girls to learn to sew, since women in Boston could earn only 10 cents a day on shirts and 12 on pantaloons. It was also objected that the women in that city unable to read or write far outnumbered those unable to sew.

The Republican journals very generally sustain Governor Pattison in keeping the Legislature in session until the members do the work the people expect them to do, and that they should have done. We have noticed but few papers that dissent. An article in this paper copied from the leading Republican paper of Armstrong county, about expresses the opinion of the Republicans of the State. It is clearly the duty of the Legislature to make the different apportionments of the State. It is a constitutional command that they do so now. This is what they failed to do and what they were retained by the Governor to do. All honest men approve while a few driving editors, who are not their own owners, seek to give the matter a party bias. There can be no harm done to the Republican party by complying with the law. The Senate is Republican, and without its consent no apportionment bills can be passed. It is the right and the duty of the Senate to see that no unfair bills are passed. At the same time it is the duty of both Senate and House to make all effort and all concession possible, each to the other, in order that the command of the Constitution be obeyed.

Should He Suffer.

Various are and will be the opinions as to the act of young Nutt in personally avenging the killing of his father. There is no mistaking the public sentiment. It says, "he did right," and "Dukes got what he deserved." This feeling is one common to our nature. A son who resents a wrong to a parent is justly regarded as noble. He obeys nature's law. Had young Nutt in December last, being moved by an uncontrollable rage, then taken the vengeance on the slayer of his father that he has now, in the following June taken, we presume that even the law would not have held him guilty. It would have been done in the heat of over-powering passion, at the time, and before any other knowledge had come to him save the fact that his father had been shot and killed by Dukes. But since then there has been a trial and an acquittal of Dukes. This acquittal was wrong, as the general public believe, but nevertheless it was done under the forms of the law. Therefore it is that this case, happening here in Pennsylvania, presents one in which great care should be taken that the seed of no dangerous doctrine be sown. The law is over all and all are equally interested in upholding it always. Once taken in our hands and we are all at sea, without chart or compass. Two wrongs do not make a right—and never will—as what may yet follow in this case may prove.

Dukes was a vile wretch, and defied all shame and public sentiment by remaining in a community in which he had so wronged a whole family and cruelly taken the life of its head. If from this fact, and from others that may be shown to have been done by him since his acquittal, in the town and daily before the face of the family he ruined, it is possible that the law will say such acts were provocation and had the effect of keeping burning in the breast of young Nutt the wrong done his father, and fired the thought for vengeance that finally impelled him on to shoot the man who had shot his father, ruined his sister and made desolate the life of his mother. We have some times been disposed to question the policy of the pardoning power, lodged in the hands of the Governor of the State, and we believe of every State in the country. But this case of young Nutt may prove that power to be of great wisdom. While if, under the law he may be tried and convicted, yet there is no question but nine out of ten of all the people of the State, old and young, men and women, would sign petitions to the Governor and Pardoning Board, recommending a pardon. We have no idea that he will—or should—suffer for what may have to be adjudged the broken law; and hence the pardoning power may be the one that may have to be appealed to in order that right and justice be done in this case. It is an unfortunate one for the community at large. What has happened in Fayette county may happen any other place. And it all came by taking the law into their own hands, first by the one and then by the other. The practice of pistol carrying has had much to do with these murders, and the sooner that practice is driven out by the law the safer and the better it will be for all.

Nine Ounce Hall Stones.

OAKDALE, Allegheny Co., Pa., June 18.—One of the most destructive hail and rain storms fell here about 6 o'clock this evening, lasting about half an hour, that has ever been known in this section of country. Hail stones the size of an egg and weighing from four to nine ounces fell, breaking windows in many houses in town and damaging fruit and grain to no small amount.

DON'T FORGET

The Entertainment in the Court House this, TUESDAY EVENING, June 19th, by and for the benefit of the Women's Christian Temperance Union. Let there be a full house. Don't miss a good treat.

Rather Amusing.

We understand that on the day the Legislature took its present recess, Mr. Greer, the Senator representing this county, again introduced a bill relative to the Judicial districts that is similar to the one he introduced two years ago and which was vetoed by the then Governor Hoyt. This bill, like the former one, after providing that Butler county shall be a separate Judicial district, which our population now entitles us to be, also makes Lawrence county a separate district, which has not the required population. But as to that point, or any such, it is no concern to this county, further than the fact that it is clearly against the Constitution and if so done with Lawrence, or any other such county, the Governor will be compelled to veto it, as his predecessor did. But the bill of Mr. Greer, we learn, goes on to assign and say which one of our two present judges shall hold the courts of Lawrence during the remainder of the time we will be connected with that county judicially. That is, that for about a year and a half, or until January 1, 1885, the bill assigns the President Judge of the present district, Judge McJunkin to duty in Lawrence county, and provides that our present Assistant Law Judge, Judge Brechin, shall be the President Judge in this county during that time. There would then be two President Judges in the district as it now is during the balance of their present terms viz. to Jan. 1, 1885. This is so clearly in violation of the Constitution, and of common sense, as to prevent its passage in a body in which there are any lawyers. But it again displays the petty little spite of Senator Greer in the matter. We had hoped he had learned something by this time. Being the Senator from this county it may be that some may suppose he reflects its sentiments in this matter, but such is very far from the fact. From what we heard two years ago, and hear now, we have no hesitation in declaring that nine out of every ten citizens of the county condemn this design of Mr. Greer. No such bill can pass, or ought to pass, and the object Mr. Greer has in view, to legislate Judge McJunkin out of our county for a year or so, may as well be abandoned now as again. The whole thing is rather amusing. A weakness indeed. The Judges themselves can regulate as to Courts of Lawrence hereafter, the same as they have done heretofore.

THE BEAVER (Pa.) Argus and Radical.

The Beaver (Pa.) Argus and Radical, a paper heretofore regarded as a "Stalwart of the Stalwarts," in its last issue says, on the subject of the Governor's call convening the Legislature, as follows:

The first extra session of the Legislature under the present constitution, has been called. The Governor has summoned it to meet for the purpose of passing Legislative, Judicial and Congressional Apportionment bills. The Constitution provides that after each decennial census the State shall be re-apportioned into Congressional, Legislative and Judicial districts. The present Legislature failed to pass these measures, and hence the Governor's call. The State should be apportioned and the Legislature is blameworthy for not performing its duty in this respect.

CHILDREN IN A PANIC.

Little Ones Trampled to Death at Sunderland, England.

LONDON, June 16.—A terrible calamity, involving the death of 18 children, occurred in the town of Sunderland, in the county of Durham, this evening. From the details received it appears that an entertainment had been given in Victoria Hall by a conjuror, which was attended almost altogether by children, several thousand being present. The accident occurred at the close of the performance.

A FEARFUL SCENE.

The scene was terrible, and no effort could stop the mad rush of the affrighted children. They came on pell-mell, though, strangely, without much shouting, and soon 178 of them were knocked down and killed by others trampling upon them. The bodies, which were badly mangled from the trampling, lay seven or eight deep. Many of the victims and others who were not killed had their clothing torn off, and this, together with the bleeding bodies of the unfortunates, shows the terrible nature of the struggle.

THE SLAYER SLAIN.

NICHOLAS LYMAN DUKES, THE MURDERER OF CAPTAIN NUTT, KILLED.

A Son of the Latter the Avenger.

UNIONTOWN, PA., June 13.—The slayer of Captain Nutt, the slayer of Nicholas Lyman Dukes, the murderer of Captain Nutt, killed. The news of the second awful tragedy came upon the community like a thunder-clap. It was the work of but an instant.

HOW IT OCCURRED.

The excited crowd gathered around the post-office, and there on the slain lay now his lifeless form in the same room in the hotel in which the tragedy of December 24th was enacted. The slayer this time is James Nutt, Captain Nutt's eldest son, who now is in jail. The news of the second awful tragedy came upon the community like a thunder-clap. It was the work of but an instant.

TAKEN TO JAIL.

By this time Officer Pegg reached young Nutt, and laid his hand upon his arm. The latter struggled fiercely to free himself, but when he discovered it was an officer he quietly yielded and was taken to jail.

THREE BALLS NEAR THE HEART—WEAPONS ON DEAD AND LIVING.

UNIONTOWN, PA., June 13.—On an examination of Dukes' body it was found that three of the balls entered the back near the side, under the left arm, and penetrated toward the heart, lodging in the breast very near the skin where they were cut out. They all entered within two or three inches of each other. A fourth ball slightly grazed Dukes' leg, near the foot, while the fifth missed its aim, crashed through one of the post-office lock-boxes and whistled past the ears of Clerk George Minor, who was in the inside apartment.

THE IMMEDIATE CAUSE OF THE SHOOTING.

While walking up a street the morning of Duke's death with Al. Miner, the court reporter of Fayette county, Dukes, seeing them coming, walked out, and in a very offensive way called out to Miner:

YOUNG NUTT'S CHARACTER.

James Nutt is the second of Captain Nutt's children, being next in age to Miss Lizzie, and will be twenty-one years old in the next. He is a quiet young man, seldom having anything to say except when spoken to, and not much then. He is of a peculiar turn of mind, not being very sociable, but decidedly retired. Few predicted that James would avenge the death of his mother. "Mother, I can't stand this. I met Dukes on the street today, and he laughed in my face."

LOCUSTS IN GREAT SWARMS.

JOHNSTOWN, June 12.—The seventeen-year locust has made its appearance in vast numbers in this section of the State, filling the air with a noise like the cracking of burning stubbles. Their food consists of leaves and the green stalks of plants. Crops are being badly damaged.

THE LONG TRIAL ENDED.

Star Route Defendants Rejoicing in a Verdict of Acquittal.

WASHINGTON, June 14.—Twelve jurymen decided this morning that the Government had not legally established a case of conspiracy against the Star route defendants. This verdict of absolute acquittal coming so unexpectedly has created a very marked sensation. The announcement in the court room of the verdict was followed by an uproarious scene of applause, tears, hysterics, and cheers. Every one expected the jury to disagree. Judge Wylie himself, a week or ten days ago, called up the counsel for the prosecution and said to them, "I do not think you are going to get a verdict out of that jury. I have watched it carefully, and I am certain that they will find the men on it are in doubt." Last night an employee of the Department of Justice reported that the jury stood eleven to one for acquittal. This came from one of the bailiffs, who claimed to have overheard a vote.

EXCITEMENT IN THE TOWN.

When it was known throughout the town that Dukes had been shot the wildest excitement prevailed. The square about the post-office soon became thronged, everybody being anxious to see the body. All had their convictions, as if formed in advance in dread anticipation that some such a terrible ending of this tragedy might occur. In many expressions irresistibly escaped the lips of those whose feelings were wrought up to a high pitch of excitement.

When the crowd was surging back and forth in the post-office, and the dying man was gasping for breath, some one out of the crowd exclaimed:

"Stand back and give him air."

"What do you want with air?" shouted one of the crowd.

Some justified the deed aloud, many excused, others remarked that if such violence was ever justifiable it was in this case, while others denounced it as a disgrace and an outrageous exhibition of mob law.

When the body was removed to the morgue, a number of persons gathered in front of the building, only a few of them were admitted to the room to view the remains. The crowds gradually dispersed until at 10 o'clock groups composed of only two or three persons could be seen standing about discussing the tragedy. No demonstration of violence or disturbance occurred, and at midnight everything was as quiet as usual.

TELEGRAMS CAME POURING IN ALL THE EVENING FROM EVERY PART OF THE STATE AND COUNTRY.

Most of these were of the spirit contained in the following:

BRADFORD, PA., June 13.

Draw on Mullin & Co., for \$100 toward defending young Nutt.

T. MULLIN, JR.

MOTHER AND SISTER BOTH GREATLY AFFECTED.

Mrs. Nutt and Miss Lizzie were visited at their home soon after the killing. On hearing it they were greatly affected and at once retired to the most complete privacy. Mrs. Nutt, as previously stated, had feared, from the mysterious manner of her son, that such might be the outcome, and now that it had occurred her great anxiety was for him.

It was not known that he was especially shadowing Dukes or that he had ever watched for an opportunity to kill him, but she has suspected that since the trial and acquittal, as James was so reticent on the subject and refused to give her any satisfaction, he had made up his mind to avenge his father's death.

Her grief is evidently great under the trial and acquittal, as James was so reticent on the subject and refused to give her any satisfaction, he had made up his mind to avenge his father's death.

The Duke's debarment case was to be argued in Chambers on Friday, the 15th inst.

WHAT IS SAID IN PITTSBURGH.

PITTSBURGH, June 13.—When the news reached this city all classes and conditions of men joined in general congratulations. There were regrets that the law was being trampled under foot, there were suggestions that there was a better time for the deed at the moment Dukes was acquitted, there were expressions of sorrow that trouble had come again into this already troubled family, but there was not a single word of regret that violence had fallen upon the murderer and the murderer had fallen by the hand of one who stood next to his victim.

"It's glorious," said an old gray-haired merchant. "I love law, but there seems to be no law in Fayette county, but that of violence, and I am glad that the man who inaugurated it has fallen by it."

"Ah," said another, "if fathers have daughters to protect they have sons to assist them. It was time that somebody checked them." "Why, just look at Nutt, murdered, Dukes acquitted and Seagriff nominated," said a third. "He got what he deserved; good boy, just what might have been expected. He undertook to bluff all mankind and has been called down by a boy. One second less and he wouldn't write any more letters," are fair samples of what was said on reading the news.

The important facts, demonstrating that the boy acted upon the impulse of an over-pressed provocation, indicate clearly that the line of defence can with safety be bold and broad. Although his attorneys have not yet determined upon a line of defence, it is expected that they will rest upon the plea of provocation and not insanity. It can be shown that young Nutt is not as bright as the other members of Captain Nutt's family, though he is by no means slow-witted. The defence here several cases as precedents for urging simply the plea of provocation, none of which present as strong points as this.

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