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WASHINGTON.

No President for years has paid more deference to the opinions of members of his party than Major McKinley does, and no President has ever taken more pains to ascertain the opinions of callers upon public matters. While there is no question of public importance upon which President McKinley has not a well-defined opinion of his own, he invites the freest expression of the opinions of others and is not so self opinionated as not to be sometimes convinced that his own are erroneous. Just now he takes every opportunity of drawing out the opinions of his callers on matters of which his annual message to Congress will treat. While his message, which will be a long one, has been all blocked out, what he hears between now and when the final revising is done may make material difference in portions of it.

If there isn't an arbitration treaty between Great Britain and the United States before the adjournment of the coming session of Congress, it will not be the fault of President McKinley, as he intends to send a new treaty to the Senate early in the session, drawn to meet the expressed objections to the one that was rejected by the Senate at the last session.

Attorney-General McKenna is preparing the papers that will be necessary in foreclosure proceedings against the Central Pacific Railroad Company, which will, in January next, owe the Government nearly $53,000,000, so that no time will be lost in case the Company defaults, as it is expected it will do. If foreclosure proceedings are started, they are likely to include the Western Pacific Railroad also.

Experts on the cultivation and marketing of the export tobacco of Kentucky and Tennessee are invited by Secretary Wilson to write what they know on the subject, to be used in a series of tobacco bulletins to be issued by the Department of Agriculture. Accepted contributions will be paid for at the rate of $15 a thousand words.

The conclusion of the members of the Executive Commitee of the Indianapolis Financial convention of last winter, which has been holding a monetary conference in Washington for some time past, not to make their report public until after President Mckinley's message and Secretary Gage's annual report have been submitted to Congress, probably means that the measure which the Committee will recomend to Congress will be in the main along the same lines as the financial recommendations that will be made in Secretary Gage's annual report and indorsed by President McKinley. In a statement just issued by this Commitee much more confidence is expressed in the passing of financial legislation by this Congress than there are indications in sight to justify.

ON Thanksgiving day the papers stated Pres. McKinley desired peace and would advise Congress not to meddle with the Cuban question, but the same papers contained an account of an attempt by the Spanish to blow up our Consulate at Havana. That don't look very lamb like on Spain's part. The American people, our President among them, may as well as not get ready to give Spain a spanking and free Cuba. It seems to be an unavoidable duty, and so far as freeing Cuba goes, should be a very agreeable one.

McCormick For Governor.

A correspondent of the Pittsburg Dispatch writing from Harrisburg positively asserts that there has been a patch-up between Quay, Martin and Magee, and speaking of the Gubernatorinal contests, says that Senator Quay will be willing to go along with anybody except Attorney General McCormick; Senators Magee and Flinn have no antipathy except Congressman William A. Stone, and Secretary Martin will be with Quay for anybody so long as he is let alone in Philadelphia. Outside of McCormick and Stone there does not seem to be any doubt of joint harmonious action on the part of the machine leaders in the State.

Senator Quay has been approached several times recently in behalf of this or that candidate for Governor, and he has invariably given his callers to understand that he will not be mixed up in the scramble for that office. His own fight will occupy all his time, and he does not propose to be digging into other contests. His antipathy to Attorney General McCormick is because of the latter's pronounced anti-Quay sentiments, as shown in interviews and his known feelings regarding the Beaver Senator. Those who know the Attorney General, however, are sure that he will not ask Quay's permission to be a candidate if he should make up his mind to go into the fight.

McCormick's course as the official and personal adviser of Governor Hastings has been so uniformly courageous and independent that he is looked upon here as a most formidable aspirant for the Governership.

There is much speculation regarding the significant conference held in Philadelphia between Hastings, Martin, Magee and McCormick. It has been suspected recently by the Attorney General's friends that he was disinclined to enter the contest for the gubernational nomination; but since that meeting it is thought here that the subject of his prospective candidacy and availability was discussed.

It need not surprise anybody now to see an official declaration of the Attorney General's intention to make the fight against the Quay machine. He may not be so widely known through the State as some of the other candidates, but his official record stands him in better stead than a mere personal acquaintances. Mr. McCormick has given the subject of his probable candidacy serious thought since the matter was first broached to him by his friends, and if he decides to enter the fight he will do so in earnest. He is a plucky fighter, and once in the fray he will stay to the finish, no matter what may be the odds against him.

THE enforcement of the act providing for the collection of the amounts due the Commonwealth for purchase money, interest and fees on unpatented land has developed a factional political fight in Chester and Lancaster counties, where there are many farms coming under the provisions of this act. The people there are bitterly opposed to it and consider it an outrage. All the members of the Legislature from those counties who voted for the measure—and they are all Quay men—are sure to be defeated if they try for renomination.

P. A. B. WIDNER, the street railway king has made a formal presentation of his magnificent residence, the finest in Philadelphia, to the city as a free library. Also his great art collection, on condition that a fireproof gallery be built to keep it in. The residence is valued at $600,000, and it is said Mr. Widner will expend $400,000 in fitting it up for its new use.

HARRISBURG.

Secretary of Internal Affairs Latta has directed Deputy Secretary Brown not to enforce the land lien law, passed by the last legislature, providing for the collection of unpaid purchase money on land bought from the State.

The secretary says the attempt to collect has developed so many instances of real hardship that he thinks the next legislature will afford relief. The state can lose nothing by the delay, as the next legislature will doubtless repeal the act.

DURING a riot in the Austrian Reichrath last Friday, several members were suspended by the Speaker, and taken out by the police.

A GREAT storm and blizzard raged over great Baltain and the surrouding seas Sunday night and Monday. Scores of vessels, large and small were lost and hundreds of men drowned. The tide rose very high in the mouth of Thames river and flooded large districts of valuable property below London.

FAMINE is staring the Klondike miners in the face and a stampade has started from the gold fields which is as great as that to them last summer.

Thanksgiving Reunion.

Petersville, Nov. 25, 1897.

MR. EDITOR: Will you please allow space in your paper for a brief account of a reunion at the McKinney homestead, when the brother and sisters of Mrs. Margaret McKinney, and her children, grandchildren and great grandchild came to celebrate Thanksgiving.

Every one brought well filled baskets, and grand-ma had prepared so many good things that the table soon was burdened.

After every one had partaken of as much turkey and cranberry-sauce, and the other good things that go with a Thanksgiving feast, we all assembled in the parlor, where letters were read from her children who could not be present—all regreting very much that they could not be there—but assuring us that their thoughts were with us.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. George Brunermer, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Huselton, Mrs. Jane Brunermer and daughter Agnes, Mr. and Mrs. D. Weisz, of Chatham Ohio; Mrs. Flick, of Bakerstown; Mr. and Mrs. M. H. McKinney and family, Mr. Steven Vinroe, Mrs. William Wahl and daughters and Mrs. S. A. Black, of De Haven, Pa. Mrs. Detmer McKinney and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Cretcher and child, of Sample Pa; Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKinney and child, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. McKinney and family, of Ellwood; and Mrs. G. H. Harley and daughter, of Butler.

There were 24 grandchildren and one great grandchild present.

After spending a pleasant day and wishing gradma many returns of the day we departed for our respective homes feeling it was good to be there, and thanking God for the blessings he had bestowed upon us.

AT Long Island City, Tuesday Martin Thorn of New York was convicted of murder in the first degree, for killing Wm. Guldensuppe who preceded him in the affections of Mrs. Nack.

Letter from California.

SOLDIERS' HOME,
Los Angeles Co., Cal.,
Nov. 22, 1897.

MR. EDITOR.—Perhaps some of my old comrades of the 61st Pa. Vols. and also of the 6th Heavy Artillery may be interested in reading a few lines from one of their old comrades, and I take this opportunity of informing them that I took a small interest in a ranch in Nye county, Nev., with the intention of forming a colony, I, with others, left Pittsburg on Dec. 4, 1895, via Chicago and then to Kansas City, through some fine country until we arrived in New Mexico, and then we crssed mountains and valleys, which for me to try to describe would be useless as I think they have to be seen to be appreciated or to have a faint idea of their grandeur.

Arriving at Manvill, I had to take stage for the ranch, 85 miles; arriving there I found a fine ranch situated in what is called Pharump Valley and the ranch in history is called Pharump, in Indian meaning much water. I remained there until Sept. 20, 1896, and then for reasons best known to myself I left and landed in Los Angeles, Cal., a beautiful town of iron 90,-to 100,000 inhabitants, which was 15 years ago but a village, situated 18 miles from the coast. It is a winter resort for tourists from cold climates such as Pennsylvania. Remained there until Sept. 1897, when I concluded to go to the Soldiers' Home and see if they did live as well and as comfortable as the old boys would tell me when they came up to town, provided the Governor would admit me without my discharge, but after a thorough examination by Dr. Hassel, I was admitted. Now I found, as I call a godsend to the old boys. They are living here on the fat of the land, the best food the market can supply, as it has to stand inspection, and plenty of it, well cooked; good clothes and plenty of them, good clean beds and all the comforts and privileges that any reasonable old soldier could ask, and nothing to do; and a majority of them draw a pension of which they don't have to give a part to the Home as they have to do in some of the State Homes in Pennsylvania for instance. I think that is unjust to ask an old soldier to pay his board or a part out of his little $6 per month, scarcely enough to keep him in tobacco, when they can come here and get their pensions to do as they please with, and if they don't draw a pension get their tobacco, the result I think will be they will leave those State Homes and go to those U. S. Homes where they are treated as Uncle Sam promised us in '61. We have 8 fine buildings that are calculated to hold 200 each, that is 2 company, and a fine hospital with all modern improvements, and 3 doctors in charge, with several female nurses, with the old boys to assist them. There are other fine buildings, such as headquarters, Gov. Smith's residence, and others and they are now building a hall or theatre which will seat from 1500 to 1800; which gives it a homelike appearance with the delightful groves and flowers of all description in profusion. It is about 8 years since this Home was organized and I see by the numbers that there have been 3700 admitted, out of this I see the deaths average about 70 per year, and at present there are in the Home about 1600 or 1800 with 300 or out on furlough.

This Home is situated in Los Angeles county, about 18 miles west of the town of Los Angeles, and 4 miles from Santa Monica, a small town of 2000 on the cost, where small boats land carrying freight and passengers, between San Diego and San Francisco, which we can see passing every day. We can also distinctly see mountains 100 miles distant in Rivesside county and old Baldy capped with snow the year round 80 miles away. This is a beautiful day, clear and warm, thermometer registers 84 in the room, while us old boys are sitting here, nice and comfortable, looking at those snow-capped mountains, telling our travels, interspersed with a war story.

Your Comrade,
GEO. W. HAYES.

Fairview.

Geo. H. Graham, who was commissioned J. P. this year, had a case before him last Saturday from Parker twp.

George Bolinger and friend of Pittsburg came up to hunt a few days, and they were quite successful. They stopped with George's father, P. R. Bolinger.

Hugh Young has bought another horse and has about completed building the second forge in his shop; he will soon employ another blacksmith. This doesn't look as though times were getting any worse.

Ive Wamock and wife of the Va. oil fields are visiting his mother.

Mrs. W. T. McCoy has moved into her new house, where everything is nice and comfortable DENT.

THE POOR HOUSE QUESTION.

We are requested to publish the law under which a county Poor House will be built, if a majority of the ballots cast at the election ordered for next February says so.

Poor Districts.--Act of 1879.

1. For the purpose of furnishing relief to the poor, destitute and paupers, giving them employment, and carrying out the provisions of this act, each county of this commonwealth, is hereby created a district to be known as, "—— county poor district."

2. The commissioners of each county are authorized and enpowered to select and purchase real estate within said district, erect thereon buildings, provide tools, machinery and stock, as they in their judgment may deem necessary, proper and sufficient to carry out the design and purpose of this act. The conveyance and title for such real estate shall be taken in the name and for the use of the district mentioned in the first section of this act.

3. The said county commissioners shall not purchase for the purpose of this act, until recommended to do so by petition and votes, as follows: That is, at any time after the passage of this act, on petition and recommendation of two-thirds (changed to "majority" by act of 1897) of overseers of poor then in office within such district, the court of quarter sessions of such county shall submit the question of such purchase to the votes of the qualified electors of such district; such election shall be held according to the direction of said court, at either the election for township officers, in February, general election in November, or at a special election ordered by the court for the purpose, and shall be held and conducted by the officers provided by law for holding elections, in the respective voting districts, and precincts within such districts, and according to the laws governing municipal and general elections within this commonwealth; at least sixty days' notice of such election shall be given by the sheriff of said county, by publication in two newspapers published within said county.

4. The election officrs shall, at such election, receive ballots from qualified electors, written or printed as follows: On the outside "poor-house," on the inside either "for poor-house" or "against poor-house;" at the close of the polls the votes shall be counted, and duplicate certified returns of the result thereof be made and sealed, one copy of which shall be deposited with the commissioners of such county, to be opened by them, and the other with the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of the county; at the first meeting and session of the court of quarter sessions thereafter, the said returns deposited with the clerk shall be opened and counted, and a record made of the result of said election; if a majority of the votes cast are for a poor-house, the county commissioners shall, within a reasonable time, at their discretion, proceed to purchase real estate and erect buildings, as provided in this act; if a majority of the votes so cast are against a poor-house, no land shall be purchased, until at an election subsequently held, not less than two years thereafter, in the manner as before provided, a majority of the votes cast shall be in favor of a poor-house; and the expense of such election shall be borne by the said county.

5. At any time after a vote in favor of a poor-house, the county commissioners are authorized to borrow money and issue bonds therefor, and negotiate the same, for the purpose of raising money necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; such bonds shall not be of a denomination less than one hundred dollars, nor bear interest of a higher rate than six per centum; they shall be payable by the said poor district, shall not be sold below par, and shall not be subject to taxation, except for state purposes.

6. The county commissioners, and their successors in office, shall have control, management and direction of the property purchased as aforesaid, and shall provide all things necessary for the maintenance and employment of the poor of their said district, make necessary repairs and improvements on buildings, cultivate the real estate, and use the proceeds of labor of the poor under their charge in their support and maintenance.

7. The county commissioners shall elect, on the first Monday of January in each year, the following officers, to serve for one year, and fix their compensation, that is, one person to serve in each of the following positions, namely: one as superintendent of poor-house grounds, one as physician and surgeon. They shall also elect and fix compensation of all other necessary employees and assistants, all of whom shall be subject to removal by said commissioners at any time.

8. The treasurer of such county shall be "ex officio" treasurer of said poor district; he shall receive all moneys belonging to the district, and pay out the same on warrants issued by the commissioners, who shall fix his compensation for such service. The accounts of the treasurer with the said district, shall be audited by the auditors of said county, in accordance with the laws relating to accounts of county treasurer.

9. As soon as the buildings are completed, and the said county commissioners are prepared to accommodate the poor of said district, they shall give notice of the same, by personal notice upon each of the overseers of poor of each township and borough within said district, and also by publication in at least one newspaper published in said county.

10. Immediately after notice that the commissioners are prepared to accommodate the poor of said district, it shall be the duty of the overseers of poor of the respective townships and boroughs within said district, to remove all poor persons entitled to relief to the said poor-house, and deliver them to the custody of the director or superintendent, and from and after such time, no expense for help, assistance and maintenance of poor persons shall be incurred by such overseers. When by sickness or any other sufficient cause, any poor person cannot be removed to said poor house, the overseers shall represent the case to the nearest justice of the peace, who being satisfied that said person cannot be removed, shall certify the same to the commissioners, with an order directing the commissioners to maintain such poor person until he or she can be removed, and the charge and extra extra expense of such maintenance shall be paid by such commissioners.

11. The said commissioners shall, from time to time, receive, maintain, provive for, and employ all paupers, poor and indigent persons, within their district, entitled to relief and having a settlement therein. The duties heretofore performed by overseers of poor within such districts, shall be done and performed by said commissioners, with the same rights and subject to the same penalties. Orders of relief and removal shall be granted by any two justices of the peace or aldermen, to and upon said commissioners, in the same manner, and and subject to the same rules, as are now applicable to overseers of poor within said district. Said commissioners may, in exceptional and special cases, grant out-door relief to poor persons if they deem it best; but no person shall be entitled to claim relief who refuses to go to said poor house.

12. A majority of said commissionrs shall be a quorum for the transaction of business; they shall meet at least once a month, at the poor-house, visit the apartments, inspect the management of the work upon and about the real estate, see that the poor are properly treated, hear all complaints, and cause all grievances that may happen by neglect to be redressed; they shall keep a record of their proceedings, which shall be evidence of their action, in any subsequent judicial proceeding.

13. All fines, forfeitures, bequests, gifts and devises for the use of the poor of said district, shall go to and be received by said commissioners, who shall demand and receive the same, and use, invest or expend the same, as they, in their judgment, deem best, for the purpose of providing support and employment for the poor, and in paying the debts of said district.

14. The basis of taxation for poor purposes, shall be the preceding assessment for county rates and levies. The commissioners shall have authority to levy and collect a tax, not exceeding in one year ten (10) mills on the dollar of the assessed valuation, for the purpose of supporting the poor, paying officials and employees, and the current expenses of managing the poor-farm and work upon it. Taxes shall be levied on or before the third Monday of February in each year, and shall be collected in the same manner as other county taxes.

15. For the purpose of paying debt incurred in purchase of real estate and improving it, and to redeem bonds authorized in section five (5) of this act, and also for the purpose of making permanent improvements on real estate, the commissioners may levy a building tax, in addition to the tax for current expenses, and to be collected in the same manner; the building tax shall in no year exceed in amount one-half of the amount levied for current expenses.

16. The commissioners may renew any of the bonds provided to be issued in section five (5), if they have not money in the treasury to pay them when they become due, and do not deem it advisable to levy tax sufficient to pay them in full.

17. The county commissioners shall keep accurate accounts of all monies received by them in any way for the purposes of this act, as well as all paid out, including such reasonable expenses as they may occur in carrying out the business, and which they shall be allowed credit for. All accounts under this act shall be audited by the county auditors. Said commissioners shall be entitled to charge in their account as compensation the same rate per day for time necessarily employed about the business that they are entitled to receive as county commissioners.

18. After delivery of poor to the commissioners, as before provided, the overseers of poor in the townships and boroughs embraced in said district shall cease to act as overseers of poor, except so far as may be necessary to levy and collect tax, settle the accounts and pay debts already incurred.

19. The commissioners may require bond with security from any officer or employee appointed by them under this act; it shall be their duty to see that the county treasurer gives bond with surety to secure the safe keeping and proper payment of all moneys that come into his hands on account of said district, and shall fix the amount of the treasurer's bond.

20. When any county embraces within its limits an incorporated city, such city and the territory embraced within it shall not be included in such poor district, and such city shall not be in any way affected by this law, but all the other parts of such county shall in such cases compose the poor district of that county.

21. This act shall shall not be construed to repeal any local act or acts under which poor-houses or homes for relief of the destitute have been erected or are now managed or controlled; nor repeal any general law under which lands have been purchased or poor-houses have been commenced to be built.

LOOK out for lots of "Cuba" in the coming congress.

SIGNS of prosperity: Factories running full time everywhere; Europe buying all our grain as fast as it can be shipped; ten per cent increase in wages at Jones and Laughlin's big steel plant in Pittsburg; American manfacturers getting large foreign contracts which formerly went to European factories; accounts of new industries being started every day.

Harrisville.

Miss Cora Morrison, who is going to school at Butler, was home for Thanksgiving.

Otis Gilmore and Miss Elsie Forker were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, on Wednesday, Nov. 24th, by Rev. Taylor, at the bride's home. We wish them all the happiness this life affords.

Jas. Thomas and wife, of De Haven, were the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stewart.

Mr. Cumming's new building is very nearly completed, and he will soon open his meat market.

It is whispered tarough town that the young folks are all expecting to go to Clintonville twice this week. Hope they'll have a pleasant time and none of the girls will be left at home.

The young ladies of our town were very much surprised Saturday evening to know it was leap year. We hope the boys got home safely, but if the report is true some have fallen by the wayside and no hand outstretched to save them as they failed to attend to their Christian duties, on Sabbath morning.

If you are contemplating giving your best girl a nice piece of Jewelry for a Xmas present, just call on Mr. Sloan, who keeps a jewelry store in the same building that Miss Steen has for her millinery store.

Miss Mary Stewart entertained the young folks of Harrisville including the orchestra, on Friday evening, Nov. 26, a social time was fine. They all had an enjoyable time, and the refreshments were very nice.

Prof. Lytle has been spending his Thanksgiving with his parents, a good way to give thanks.

Elmer McConnell is home.

The young people, who are away attending college will be home at Xmas time and the young people here at home are expecting a swell party, as they are getting their party dresses made.

Saxonburg Sayings.

The barber still continues hunting rabbits and other game.

Henry Doerr, proprietor of the Hotel Laube has become quite an oil operator. Keep at it Henry, oil pays as well as an unlicensed hotel.

We are to have more competition in the gas business. A new company is knocking at our doors, asking for right of way tarough the town. The more the merrier. Let them come.

Theo. Krause has advertised an auction sale of clothing, boots, shoes, hats, caps and dress goods to commence Saturday afternoon, Dec. 11, and continue every Saturday afternoon and evening until goods are disposed of.

Mrs. Wilhelm Yeanig died last Monday night, after a two weeks illness. Mrs. Yeanig was 74 years of age and had lived in Saxonburg for many years.

The English Choir will give an oyster supper and necktie social in the Opera House next Friday evening, Dec. 3. The proceeds will go towards altering the choir gallery. Everyone cordially invited.

Elmer Heimbold left Saxonburg last Monday and in the future will made his home in Pittsburg.

The Thanksgiving dance was a success. Quite a crowd was present and the music was better than ordinarily.

John R. Helmbold was in Pittsburg, Monday.

M. S. Wickersham of Pittsburg was the guest of J. W. McKee, Sunday.

Miss Retta Burtner received a very large handsome book from her teacher, as a reward for good conduct and perfect lessons.

Prof. Thelo Krause completed a very fine job of paper hanging in the German church. What he does not know about paper hanging is not worth knowing.

English services in the German church next Sunday evening. Everyone cordially invited.

Slippery Rock.

Prof. B. B. Pollock of Scott twp. Allegheny Co., schools was a Slippery Rock visitor last week.

Will Hindman was the guest of his sister, Mrs. Dr. Hockenberry on Thanksgiving.

The cornet band discoursed some fine music Thanksgiving afternoon and evening.

Quarterly meeting services were held in the M. E. Church on Sabbath. Presiding elder Schofield was present at the morning services.

Miss Grace Blaney of Harrisville has been visiting Mrs. Dr. McAdoo.

Prof. C. H. Wolford principal of Evans City schools, was home for Thanksgiving.

Robert Ralston, an aged citizen of this twp. has gone blind.

DEATHS.

GIBSON—At his home in North Washington, Nov. 21, 1897, John Gibson, aged 55 years.

GOLD—At his home in Clay twp., Nov. 27, 1897, Wm. Gold, aged 83 years.

McCOLLOUGH—At his home in Fairview twp., Nov. 22, 1897, John C. McCollough, aged 58 years.

Mr. McCollough was an old soldier, and a greatly respected citizen.

CASE—At her home in Jefferson twp, Nov. 29, 1897, Mrs. Mary Case, in her 90 year.

She has been a constant worshiper of the Lord for 75 years, and her friends deeply mourn her loss.

KNITTLE—At his home in Butler, Nov. 25, 1897, John Knittle, son of Andrew Knittle, aged 12 years.

John took sick Wednesday night, and in less than half a day was a corpse. His case puzzled the doctors, and a postmortem developed the fact that his death was caused by the rupture of an artery.

BOVARD—At his home in Slipperyrock twp. Nov. 27 1897 James Bovard, aged 70 years.

HUTCHISON—On Nov. 29, 1897, at his home in Anandale, Stephen V. Hutchison aged about 60 years.

He had been sick for some time.

McMILLAN—At her home in Clintonville, Nov. 27, 1897, Mary, wife of Dr. Jno. B. McMillan, and daughter of David Phipps, dec'd.

HETSILGESSER—At his home in Leasurville, Nov. 30, 1897, John Hetsilgesser, aged about 83 years.

He was one of the oldest, best known and most useful citizens of our county. A chief feature in his character was his sympathy for his fellows in need. He was kind hearted, generous and obliging and none ever appealed to him in vain. He held various trusts during a long life of usefulness and in no place will he be missed more than in his immediate neighborhood.

FERGUSON—Wife of Mr. Robt. Fergoson at her home near Bakerstown, after a brief illness, about 20 years of age.

Mrs. Ferguson was the daughter of Mr. John Love, Riddles X Roads. The funeral services were held in the Westminster Pres. church Sabbath afternoon conducted by the Pastor Wm J Hazlett. An unusal large number of people were present, sincere and deep sympathy is felt for her parents, brothers and sisters and husband.

ROHNER—At his home in Evans City, Nov. 28, 1897, John Rohner, in his 68th year.

Mr. Rohner's death was caused by heart disease. He was in Butler a few days previous, and was apparently in his usual health. He was one of Evans City's most respected citizens, and his death will be regretted by all who knew him.

He was born in Germany, in 1830, and came to this country with his mother in 1843; worked on a farm in Adams twp. and saved money enough to buy a farm, married a daughter of David Duncan, of Cranberry twp., and resided on a farm in that twp., until 1883, when he became a partner in and cashier of the Evans City bank.

OBITUARY NOTES

Mrs. Katherine Jones, widow of Rev. Jones, died in Pittsburg, last Wednesday, in her 99th year.

Harmony and Zelienople.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rodenbaugh are home again after a long visit with their children, at Avalon, Allegheny City and Economy respectively.

Rev. D. V. Mayes left for Poland O. his new field of Labor, last week. During his visit at Harmony he occupied Dr. A. J. Heller's pulpit in the Reformed church.

Harry Ziegler, of Duquesne, was the guest of his father, Henry M. Ziegler, of Zelienople, last week. He reports brisk times at Duquesne.

Sidney Stauffer, son of Daniel Stauffer, aged 17 years, died Monday. He was a victim of that dread disease dipthteria.

Miss Ida Latshaw, of Harmony, returned home, Wednesday, from one weeks visit to friends at McKeesport and East End, Pittsburg.

The Harmony council is confronting a difficult problem at present. The P. & W. R. R. proposes to raise the railroad bridges five feet in the borough.

Wm. Walker and Miss Alice White were united in the holy bonds of wedlock, last week. Many blissful days to the young couple.

Alexander Schroeder, the genial jeweler, of Niles, O., was here on Thanksgiving day, greeting his many friends.

John Zimmers, father of Mrs. Fred Klophenstein, of Harmony, died last Thursday.

Mrs. Charley Flowers, of Harmony, sold her house and lot to Fred Sahli. She moved last Friday, to Medina, O., where she will live with her daughter, Mrs. Julia Pearce.

Mrs. Dr. W. H. Button, of Hubbard, O., is visiting her parents, Rev. C. F. Hartung and wife.

Rev. N. P. Bish, principal of the Prospect Seminary preached in the Harmony M. E. church, Sunday evening. His theme was, "Purity of Thought." The congregation was delighted with his discourse.

Mrs. Otterman, mother of Rev. J. W. Otterman, of Zelienople, died Monday morning, aged 84 years. Funeral services were held Tuesday evening at 7:30 P. M. On Wednesday the remains were taken to Tarentum for interment.

Mrs. Allie Flowers, aged 77 years, was buried last Monday. Rev. W. H. Geyer preached the funeral sermon to a large concourse of people. She died last Friday evening from the second stroke of appolexy.

J. D. Wolf, of Bradford, was in Harmony, on last Monday.

S. P. P. Young, of Westmoreland Co., attended the funeral of Mrs. A. Flowers, on Monday.

Wm. Penrod, of Zelienople, was called to New Vernon, last week, where his wife is visiting, and dangerously ill. There is no hope for her recovery.

Miss Cora A. Latshaw, a school teacher, of Allegheny City, and her niece, Miss Ethel B. Armor, were visiting Mrs. Isaac Latshaw, at the residence of H. W. Bame, in Harmony, the last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Strutt, of Zelienople, gave a family reunion to their children and their wives and husbands, and grandchildren, on Thanksgiving day. The occasion was a pleasant one and will long be remembered. Those present were the following: Wm. Strutt Jr. and wife, Jno. Strutt and wife, G. T. Bentle and wife, Grant Bentle and wife, Eranious Bentle and wife, Mrs. Pyles, Dan Fisher and wife, Calvin Knox and wife, Joe Strutt, and Charles Bentle and wife.

Card of Thanks.

We take this method of returning our sincere thanks to our friends and neighbors, who were so kind to us during the sickness and death of our father.

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The friends and neighbors of Mr. J. C. Snyder gave him a pleasant surprise on November 24, by gathering at his home to celebrate his 6 th birth lay.

T J Badger has moved into Wm Boyd's house.

John Robinson, of Halston, was visiting friends at this place.

We did not mean to insult Henry Dilliman when we told you about John Staff's cornerib. Henry got a new one too.

Pierce Covert and Wm Fisher are earning their daily bread by digging coal for Jacob Snyder.

Albert Croll has completed putting the roller process in his mill, and is now ready for his customers.

John McQuistion, of Shephard Mills, let his water run through the corn-crusher and it didn't hurt it (the corn-crusher) a bit.

Rev Burrows, of the M. E. church, preached to the American Mechanics, on Sabbath week.

Rev McCleaster, of the U. P. church, preached a temperance sermon on last Sabbath, which was highly appreciated by all of his hearers.

The teachers, of Brady twp., will hold their local institute at this place, on Saturday, Dec. 11, at 1 oclock P. M., and cordially invite all interested in education. ANON.

Jacksville.

A. Stickle and M. C. Gearing transacted business in Butler one day recently.

Mrs. J. B. Pisor entertained Mr. and Mrs. David Studebaker on last Wednesday.

Miss Amy Sutliff formerly of this place and Mr. Leslie of Pittsburg were married on Thursday Nov. 18 1897 at Pittsburg We join with many friends in congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Vanhorn of Elliott's Mills called on friends here on Friday evening.

Mrs. Carrie Bonk of Beaver Falls is visiting her sister Mrs. M. C. Searing.

A REVOLUTION has broken out in the Austrian Empire. The city of Prague was pillaged by a mob, yesterday.

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Sheriff's Sales.

By virtue of sundry writs of Ven. Ex., Fi. Fa., Lev., Fa. &c. issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Butler county, Pa., and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House, in the borough of Butler, on

Friday, December 3rd.

A. D. 1897, at 1 o'clock P. M., the following described property, to-wit:

E. D. Nos. 71, 72, 74 and 82 Dec. Term, 1897. H. H. Goucher and M. R. McBride, atty's.

All the right, title, interest and claim of L H Blose and Lucy J Blose, of, in and to all that lot of ground, more or less, situated in Millerstown borough, Butler county, Pa., bounded as follows, to-wit: On the north by lot of Mrs. L. A. Henshaw, on the east by Central avenue extension, on the south by lot of E Reep, and on the west by an alley, being 60 feet front by 180 feet deep, according to the plan of lots in Millerstown boro, and more particulary described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at a stake at the northeast corner, thence south along the west side of Central avenue extension 80 feet to north corner of lot No 3, thence west along the north side of lot No 3 180 feet to Railroad street, thence north along east side of Railroad St 60 feet to a stake at the corner of lot No 1, thence east along the south side of lot No 1 180 feet to the place of beginning; having a frontage of 60 feet on Central avenue extension, and extending back the width, 180 feet to Railroad street, being the lot or piece of land conveyed by Margaret E Bole and husband to Lucy J Blose by deed dated April 2, 1888, and recorded in deed book No 94, page 175, together with the buildings, improvements, rights, liberties and privileges thereunto belonging or in any way appertaining and the revisions and remainders thereof. Seized and taken in execution as the property of L H Blose and Lucy J Blose at the suit of J W Titley et al.

E. D. No. 209. Dec. Term, 1897. Thompson & Smith, atty's.

All the right, title, interest and claim of Angeline Elliott, dec'd, John C Graham, adm'r of Angeline Elliott and R W Elliott, of, in and to all that certain lot of land, more or less, situated in Butler boro, Butler county, Pa, bounded as follows, to-wit: On the north by Clay street, east by lot of Joseph W Nigel, south by lot of W C Ralston, and west by Harry Schaffner, containing thirty-six (36) feet fronting on Clay street and running back eighty-three (83) feet to lot of W C Ralston, having thereon erected a two-story frame dwelling house. Seized and taken in execution as the property of Angeline Elliott, dec'd, John C Graham, adm'r of Angeline Elliott and R W Elliott at the suit of L C Wick.

E. D. No. 64, Dec. Term, 1897. W. D. Brandon atty.

All the right, title, interest and claim of J H Fleming, of, in and to all that certain tract of land, more or less, situated in Clay twp, Butler county, Pa, bounded as follows, to-wit: On the north by lands of Eli Henshaw, on the east by lands of Eli Henshaw, on the south by lands of John W Smith, and on the west by lands of Levi Slater et al, containing 60 acres, more or less, mostly cleared and cultivated, having thereon a frame house, frame barn and outbuildings. Seized and taken in execution as the property of J H Fleming at the suit of J E Brandon et al.

E. D. No. 203, Dec. Term, 1897. E McJunkin, atty.

All the right, title, interest and claim of George Miller, of, in and to all that certain lot or piece of land, situated in Branchton, Cherry twp, Butler county, Pa, bounded as follows, to-wit: On the north by lands of Charles Bovard, on the east by lands of same, on the south by lands of Samuel Henderson, and on the west by public road, being 50x150 feet, more or less, and having thereon a frame house, stable and other outbuildings. Seized and taken in execution as the property of George Miller at the suit of Harsh & Sutliff.

E. D. No. 205, Dec. Term, 1897. E McJunkin, atty.

All the right, title, interest and claim of Will J Shoup and Peter Texter, of, in and to all that certain piece or parcel of land, situated in Jackson twp, Butler county, Pa, bounded as follows, to-wit: On the north by lands of Uffert Winter, east by lands of David Shontz, on the south by lands of —— Wolfe, and on the west by lands of Michael Weigel and Martin Zinkan, containing 60 acres, more or less, and having thereon erected a frame dwelling house, frame barn and other outbuildings. Seized and taken in execution as the property of Will J Shoup and Peter Texter at the suit of Mrs. E Dambaugh.

E. D. No. 165, Dec. Term, 1897. A. B. C. McFarland, atty.

All the right, title, interest and claim of O N Proper, of, in and to all that certain piece or parcel of land, situated in Adams twp, Butler county, Pa, bounded as follows, to-wit: Beginning on the northerly side of the Pittsburg road at the corner of an alley sixteen feet wide, thence north 25½ deg east by line of Pittsburg road forty feet to a stone, thence northwesterly by line at right angle with said Pittsburg road 150 feet to a stone on line of another alley sixteen feet wide, thence south 35½ deg west by line of said alley forty feet to line of alley first mentioned, thence south 46 deg east by said line 151.7 feet to the Pittsburg road the place of beginning; containing thereon erected a two-story frame house with seven rooms and slate roof, frame stable and other outbuildings. Seized and taken in execution as the property of O N Proper at the suit of John Balfour.

E. D. No. 75, Dec. Term, 1897. Goucher & McBride, atty's.

All the right, title, interest and claim of Isaac G Pollard, of, in and to all that certain tract or lot of land, more or less, situated in Fairview twp, Butler county, Pa, bounded as follows, to-wit: On the north by a public road from Argyle to the cemetery, east by lands of Karl Butzer and lands of Luke Stoughton, on the south by Forest street and lands of Karl Butzer, and on the west by lands of William Wilson, containing twelve acres, more or less, and more fully described as follows: Beginning in the center of a public road —— thence along said road parallel with the line of A L Campbell south 89 deg. east 35 perches to a post, thence by lands of William Gibson south 1 deg. west 49 perches to a stone, thence by lands of Luke Stoughton, south 21 deg. west 24½ perches to a post, to Forest street, thence along Forest street 30 perches, more or less, to a post, on the line of William Willson, and thence by lands of Wm Willson north 1 deg. west 69 perches, more or less, to the place of beginning. Together with all and singular the buildings and improvements, etc. Seized and taken in execution as the property of Isaac G Pollard at the suit of Karl Butzer for use of Lucinda Westerman.

E. D. No. 66, Dec. Term, 1897. McJunkin & Galbreath, atty's.

All the right, title, interest and claim of Joseph Leibler, of, in and to all that certain piece or parcel of land, more or less, situated in Butler twp, Butler county, Pa, bounded as follows, to-wit: On the north by lands of George D Reap, on the east by lands of Philip Snyder, on the south by lands of George Leibler et al, and on the west by lands of Philip Snyder, containing 76 acres and 10 perches, log house, weatherboarded, and barn and outbuildings thereon.

ALSO—Of, in and to all that certain lot or parcel of land, more or less, situated in Butler twp, Butler county, Pa, bounded as follows, to-wit: On the north by land of Philip Snyder, on the east by lands of George Leibler et al, and on the west by lands of Philip Snyder, containing 16 acres and 10 perches, log house, weatherboarded, and barn and outbuildings thereon.

ALSO—Of, in and to all that certain lot or parcel of land