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Thursday, Dec. 1, 1887.  
 Nearly half a million immigrants arrived in the United States during the ten months ended October 31st, last. This seems an enormous addition to our population from sources outside our own country, yet great as the number appears, the immigrants were so quickly absorbed as to have created not even a ripple on the surface—a fact which is a strong tribute to the greatness of our country and its power of assimilation of the incongruous elements which are from time to time thrown upon our shores.

During the Bucktail Reunion at Wellsboro a few weeks since, a mention occurred that is worthy of record. It was the late General Wellsboro, had it not been for the incident upon the 27th, to make a note of it. The car was crowded with people, but the gentleman who was noticed in his capacity as a member of the committee, and offered him their seats. This the gallant soldier declined, saying that he could stand as well as the rest. One of the gentlemen, an Episcopal clergyman, of that city, said, 'Please sit in my place, I am under obligations to you. I was in the battle of Gettysburg, one of Syke's Regulars; the rebels were driving us back, and one of the most great sights I ever beheld was the old bucktails marching between us and the enemy.' It is needless to say that Mr. Truman took his seat.—Milton Argues

In two years from now the law authorizing the maintenance of soldiers' orphan schools in this state expires by limitation. In the neighborhood of two thousand children will then be thrown out upon the world to subsist by their own resources, unless some additional provision is made for their care, until they attain their majority. It is incumbent upon the Grand Army men of the state to take such action and that promptly as will insure the future well-being of these orphans. They owe it, and the state owes it, to the memory of the dead and in return for their services to see that their progeny are not left unprotected for in their minority. With a view to such action the chairman of the department soldiers' orphan committee has called a meeting of the entire committee at Philadelphia. The purpose of this meeting is to formulate some plan of procedure that may be presented to the legislature with a reasonable show of adoption.

**Female Voters.**  
 It is almost wonderful to what an extent the women lately voted in Kansas, and with so comparatively little preparation. Even the Kansas women themselves were surprised to learn that nearly 25,000 women had used their right, newly acquired while only 65,000 men, the lords of creation, made use of this much-prized opportunity.  
 When we remember that there are more men than women in the state, and consider the difficulties thrown in the way of the women in many places, the short time allowed them for registration—in some places only fifteen days where the men had nearly three months—and then realize that almost half as many women voted as men, it does not look as if women don't want the ballot; does it?  
 One husband who wished to deter his wife from voting, told her that if she registered she would have to pay a road tax of three dollars, and as he wouldn't give her the money (think of a husband talking, even in these enlightened days in Kansas, of 'giving' his housekeeper and the mother of his children, three dollars!) she'd have to labor on the roads to work it out. Fortunately some woman-suffragist found the dilemma of this weaker and badly-informed sister, and having removed the mote from her eye, led her off rejoicing in time to register the last day the books were open.

This good wife, who thus obeyed Paul's often-quoted injunction to learn of her husband at home, has probably had her faith somewhat rudely shaken by this experience.

**Daily Excursion Tickets on Pennsylvania Railroad.**  
 The Passenger Department of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company announces that commencing December 1st, 1887, daily excursion tickets will be sold between all stations on the Middle, Altoona, Tyrone, Bedford, and Lewistown Divisions of Divisions of the Pennsylvania Railroad. They will be sold only between points on the same division, and not from a point on one division to a station on another. The tickets will be good for use only on day of issue, except when sold on Saturday they will be good for return trip on Monday next following.

**A CARD.**  
 Now that the excitement incident to the General Election has subsided—(saying nothing about the means and methods employed to produce sought-for results), I desire to return my sincere thanks to those who supported me at the late election—and to those who conscientiously opposed me. I bear neither malice nor ill-will.  
 Having obtained the nomination by fair and honorable means, and for more than thirty years contributed my means and best energies to the best interest and success of the Republican party, I could reasonably expect the full and hearty support of my party.

I can survive defeat, and if the situation is carefully and calmly surveyed, perhaps, we shall better understand all over the world in years to come for our fidelity and I shall lead no aid in breaking the party to pieces.  
 Whatever of influence and energy I may be able to exercise in the future shall be directed in the favor of those who have been loyal to our party. Again I return my thanks to all my friends.  
**D. BOLENDER.**

**P. S.**—The vile, cowardly malicious slander and libel sown broadcast may recoil on the heads of those who employed them.

**Miss Willard on the Whisky Tax.**  
 At the national convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in Nashville, recently, Miss Francis E. Willard made a speech in favor of repealing the internal revenue tax on whisky. She said: 'I hope we shall distinctly declare ourselves in favor of removing the internal revenue tax from all intoxicating liquors. It is a covenant with hell and a compact with damnation. To-day it stands as the strongest bulwark between the liquor traffic and annihilation. We want no monopolies in sin—least of all that the national government should be the largest stockholder, getting ninety cents on every gallon of whisky and ninety-three cents in round numbers on every keg of beer. The amount of tax is about equal to the annual surplus in the United States treasury. Let both be wiped out together. I hope this may be one of our campaign battle cries. Down with the tax that ties the nation tight to the vampire that is sucking out its blood.'

Although Miss Willard's language is rather florid, there is no difficulty in understanding her attitude. The Nashville 'American' commenting on the addresses says:  
 Miss Willard is right. The Federal Government has become a partner with every manufacturer of whisky—gets a large share of the profits—and then protects its partners by carrying the whisky for them for years—an actual money protection—a money subsidy. No such monopoly was ever before created by the Government. No such protection was ever extended to any class—the government in the interest of monopoly has cut off the little men—the common people—and actually put the entire business in the hands of large capitalists.

**Do not Waste the Forests.**  
 This is the season of the year when the farmer looks about his timber land to see what he can spare for the saw-mill and what he will cut for fuel. Don't do it, say we. Let the timber alone, or at least all of it that is alive and vigorous. The tree is worth more to the farm a dozen times over than all the money that can be secured by parting with it. It is rapidly growing in value; it adds largely to the value of the farm, and it has been demonstrated beyond denial that the rainfall is largely dependent upon the presence of the forests. In countries where there is little timber the rainfall is uncertain, infrequent and very small in comparison with those countries where timber is abundant. Portions of our own country, where few trees are found, are annually subject to

spells of dry weather, while our own State of Pennsylvania, with its tree-capped hills, is seldom seriously affected by want of water. This question of rainfall is so rapidly growing in importance that our last legislature sought by legislation to protect the forests. So again we say to the farmer, when he is tempted to cut down the timber—Don't!

**A Confederate Spy.**  
 READING Nov. 20.—The Eagle to-day publishes a curious story showing how General Grant, when he besieged Richmond, was aided in securing the fall of the city by a gentleman prominent in Confederate circles, who acted as his spy and furnished him with information as to the strength and position of the rebels, etc. This man was Samuel Rath, who went from Berks County and settled in Richmond in 1845. The story is given by Mrs. Daniel Klink, his sister, one of the most respected ladies in Pottstown.

Rath was first baggage master, and gradually worked his way up until he became General Superintendent of the Richmond and Fredericksburg Railroad. He was a true blue Union man. When Grant lay before the city he placed himself in communication with Rath, and the latter held regular meetings with General Terry, who was then on Grant's staff, and disclosed to him all the plans and purposes of the Confederates, rendering the capture of the rebel capital easy.  
 Rath was arrested and confined in Castle Thunder, but released, as nothing could be proven against him. After the war Grant presented him with a purse of \$600 in money, and when he became President appointed Rath Interior Revenue Collector of the Second Virginia District, in which position he remained until he died. His body now rests in Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond.

**Forests And Rainfall.**  
 The exact relations of forest growth to rainfall and water supply are not yet fully understood; but sufficient is known to make it clear that the removal of the forests tends certainly to the substitution of occasional flood and tempest for mild and frequent rain, and almost certainly to a diminution of the aggregate rainfall of the year. The importance, therefore, of preserving and renewing our forests cannot be over-estimated. From all sections of the country there have come during the past season reports of disastrous drouths and even noisier droughts which is usually wet enough to suit the most ardent lovers of moisture, one of our sister cities—Fort Wayne, Indiana—is suffering for want of water. There is still enough to drink, but the elevators, the engines that run the lighting apparatus, and the Fire Department are seriously crippled. The citizens of Fort Wayne probably never knew before how many of the comforts and conveniences of civilization were dependent upon an abundant water supply.  
 It may not be generally known that even in Michigan, while there has been no widespread complaint of drought, the diminution of the rainfall has been great enough to produce serious consequences. The proceedings, just published, of the State Board of Health show that from March to September the rainfall fell far below the average for the nine years from 1878 to 1886 inclusive. They show, also, a marked increase in the prevalence of typhoid fever notwithstanding the efforts of the board for the prevention and restriction of the disease.  
 No stronger arguments can be furnished for the preservation and renewal of our forests than those drawn from such facts as these.—Detroit Free Press.

**FREEBURG NEWS.**  
 "Ten Nights in a Barroom" was performed to a large audience Saturday evening by members of the P.O. S. A. The audience was exceedingly well pleased with the manner in which the performers acquitted themselves. The camp is in a prosperous condition. They will hold an open session Saturday evening, Dec. 10th, when several addresses will be delivered.  
 The D. W. Y. C. had a Thanksgiving Supper in Boyer's Hall. It was well patronized by our citizens, and by persons from neighboring places. The Society meets regularly every Thursday evening.  
 On the 17th inst., a number of persons of Salem congregation came to Freeburg for the purpose of surprising Rev. Wampole—it being the 25th anniversary of his marriage. They repaired to the residence of E. Bassler, Esq., where they were joined by members of the Freeburg congregation and proceeded to the par-

sonage, took possession of it, covered the table with a beautiful repast, and presented a purse containing a considerable amount of money and other articles of value. It was a very enjoyable occasion and a perfect surprise to the Reverend and family.  
 Miss Lizzie R. Dill was at home during Thanksgiving. She has a large and interesting school at Uniontown, Dauphin county, where she has become quite popular as a teacher. She has been asked to continue at the expiration of her term. Why not pay better salaries in Snyder county and keep the good teachers here.

The Philharmonic Society is making preparations for a successful Musical Convention to commence January 2. They have engaged Prof. Johnson of New Jersey to conduct it.  
 Mrs. Weist's cottage is approaching completion. It is a building of fine architectural style and is an ornament to the town.  
 Mr. Deibert's photograph gallery is well patronized.  
 W. A. Moyer of Germantown spent Sunday in Freeburg.  
 Mrs. Sue R. Bracken of Yeagers town has been the guest of her aunt, Mrs. D. S. Boyer, for the past two months.

**Register's Notices.**  
 NOTICE is hereby given that the following named persons have filed their Administrators' Guardians' and Executors' accounts in the Register's Office of Snyder County, and the same will be presented for confirmation and allowance at the Court House in Middleburgh, Monday, December 14th, 1887.  
 1. The account of Sarah Moyer, Admrx. of the estate of Aaron Moyer, dec'd.  
 2. The account of H. E. McKelvey, Guardian of William A. Moyer, a minor.  
 3. The first and final account of William Heitrick, Executor of the estate of Elizabeth Ott, dec'd.  
 4. Final account of Levi Kepler, Adm'r of the estate of Benjamin Meier, dec'd.  
 5. The first and final account of John R. Trupp, Executor of the estate of Elizabeth Trupp, dec'd.  
 6. The account of Henry F. Long, Guardian of Elizabeth Sampson, (now Muser) a minor child of George Sampson, dec'd.  
 7. The first and final account of Elias Hummel, Adm'r of the estate of Henry Mink, dec'd.  
 8. The first and final account of Daniel S. Boyer, Executor of the estate of Joseph Kanner, dec'd.  
 9. The first and final account of William B. Bann, Executor of the estate of John M. Trost, dec'd.  
 H. J. DUCK, Register.

**Sheriff's Sale!**  
 Whereas by virtue of a writ of F. F. and V. E. No. 21 of the Court of Common Pleas of Snyder county and to me directed I will expose to public sale at the Court House in Middleburgh, Pa., on  
 Tuesday December 6 '87  
 at 1 o'clock P. M. the following described Real Estate, to wit:  
 TRACT NO. 1.  
 Being all that certain mortgage and tract of land situate in Franklin township, Snyder county, Pa. bounded and described as follows: on the North by lands of Currier Stearns, East by lands of Harry Howerton, et al., South by lands of John P. Smith, and Jacob Elsenhower, West by lands of George Schmitt, each containing 75 ACRES, and 23 perches more, or less, as shown and created a T. T. STORY DWELLING HOUSE, FRAME BARN, Summer Kitchen, Blacksmith Shop and other outbuildings.  
 Seized, taken into execution and to be sold as the property of Howard Hartman.  
 TRACT NO. 2.  
 Being all that certain lot of ground situate in Freeburg, Snyder Co., Pa. bounded North by Main street, East by Mrs. Roush, South by an alley and West by Edward H. Stearns, being lot one of lot front by 16 feet more or less deep and being designated as Lot No. 29 in the Official Plat of said town, whereon are erected a good two story weather boarded dwelling house, stable, hog stable, etc.  
 Seized Taken into execution and to be sold as the property of Y. E. Probst.  
 N. R. H. H. DICKSWORTH, Sheriff, Sheriff's Office Middleburgh, Pa., Nov. 15, '87.

**Register's Notices.**  
 NOTICE is hereby given that the following Widows' Administrations under the 49th Law, have been filed with the Clerk of the Orphans' Court of Snyder county, for confirmation on Monday, the 12th day of December, 1887, to-wit:  
 Administration of Amanda J. Roush widow of Frederick Roush late of Washington township, Snyder county, Pa., dec'd.  
 W. W. WITTENMYER, Clerk, O. C.  
 Nov. 17 '87.

**WE HOLD THE FORT.**  
 The old Clothing firm of St. Oppenheimer has changed hands but not places. It still remains at the **Old Popular Stand,**  
 If you want Bargains call at once. I have an Immense **STOCK OF CLOTHING,**  
 consisting of a superior Line of **SUITS FOR YOUNG AND OLD,**  
**OVERCOATS!**  
 I have an elegant line of **FUR and SEALSKIN CAPS,**  
**Horse Blankets and Lap Robes,**  
 a fine line of **Furnishing Goods—all VERY CHEAP.**  
**H. OPPENHEIMER, Selingsgrove, Pa.**

**W. H. FELIX'S**  
**POPULAR**  
**FURNITURE AND CARPET**  
**ROOMS,**  
 Valley Street, Lewistown, Pa.  
 Though the premium on Owls has been removed, the premium on the superior quality of goods sold by G. C. Gutelius still remains. He has just received a **New stock of SPRING STYLES Suits for old men. Nobby suits for young men. Suits for Boys, Youths Men and Children. Suits from \$1.75 to \$15.**  
**Hats, Caps, Glove, Underwear**  
 HANDKERCHIEFS, TIES, &c., &c. Also  
**CONFECTIONS AND TOYS**  
 sold at greatly reduced prices.  
**FLOUR, FEED & C.**  
 Thanking the many who have patronized me I cordially invite an inspection of my stock.  
**G. C. GUTELIUS, Middleburgh**

**W. H. FELIX'S**  
**POPULAR**  
**FURNITURE AND CARPET**  
**ROOMS,**  
 Valley Street, Lewistown, Pa.  
 A full line of Jute, Hemp, Rag, Ingrains, Tapestry, Body Brussels and Velvet Carpets, Art Squares, Smyrna Rugs, Coxa and Gatta Percha Door Mats. Will sell any of the above goods as low as same quality can be bought any place, and pay freight charges to any station on P. R. R. Write me for prices or come and see the largest stock this side of Philadelphia.  
 Respectfully,  
**W. H. FELIX.**

**Bargains! Bargains!**  
 Think Carefully, Decide Wisely, Act Promptly.  
 We possess the facility and inclination to give you real Bargains and will do it in our new stock of **DRY GOODS, ETC.,**  
 which is just in and comprises the largest line of **LADIES' DRESS GOODS, CLOTHS, FLANNELS, UNDERWEAR, LACES, RIBBONS, MULLINS, BLANKETS, COMFORTS,**  
**GENT'S FURNISHING GOODS,**  
 Groceries, Boots, Shoes, Ready Made Clothing, Hardware, Queensware, Glassware, etc. You will be pleased to see how we combine old-time honesty in quality and price with new, fresh styles.  
**PRICES VERY LOW.**  
**Seebold & Runkle**  
 MIDDLEBURGH, PA.

**Stylish and Well Made Clothing**  
 I will continue the Merchant Tailoring business in **Arnold's Room, Middleburgh, Pa.**  
 and take this means of informing the people of Snyder county, that I have on hand a well selected stock of **Cloths, Cassimeres, etc.,**  
 and samples from the best and most reliable New York and Philadelphia houses, and will sell lower than ever. Cutting, Cleaning, Repairing, Dyeing and Scouring done on short notice.  
**E. E. BUCK**

**The Piper Breech-Loading Shot-Gun and Rifle Combined.**  
 This system in combined rifle and shot-gun offers advantages over other makes even more marked than those for shot only. They far excel all others in strength, accuracy, workmanship and balance.  
**PRICES**—Side-snap action, best de-carbonized blued steel-barrel 10 or 12 gauges, 44 Winchester, rifle artridge, weight 10 to 12 lbs, price \$30  
 Top-snap action, same as above, 38-55 Ballard cartridge, or 44 Winchester, price \$36  
 The above prices include 100 paper she and one box of cartridges.

**FISHING-TACKLE!**  
 A Complete Assortment of  
**Rods, Flies, Reels, Lines, Hooks,**  
 Artificial Bait, ect.  
 I respectfully submit to you a few prices: Assorted Trout-flies at 25c, a dozen, trout-hooks to gu 25c, per doz., plain trout hooks 5c per doz., best oiled-silk lines from 2 to 3 cents per yard, all other lines from 1 to 2 cents per yard. Reels from 25c to \$2. Orders by mail promptly attended to.  
**J. B. Reed, Sunbury, Pa.**

**NEW GOODS!**  
 -AT-  
**Friedman & Getz', Beavertown, Pa.**  
 The undersigned desire to inform the public that they have just returned from the City with a fine Stock of **FALL & WINTER GOODS**  
 Consisting of a full line of **Blankets, Haps, Shawls, Ladies' Gents and Children's Woolen and Cotton Underwear, a full line of Ready made CLOTHING,**  
 Ladies' Dress Goods, Groceries, Notions, Jewelry, Clocks, Watches, Chains, Glassware, Queensware, etc.  
 We sell Cheap for Cash or Produce—for which we always allow the highest price. We have been blessed with a liberal patronage, are thankful for it and hope to merit the same by low prices and fair dealing.