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Thursday, April 21, 1892.

Republican Ticket.

DISTRICT.

For Congress. A. W. POTTER, Esq., Selinsgrove, (Subject to the decision of District Conference.) For State Senate. EDWARD M. HUMMEL, Selinsgrove, (Subject to the decision of District Conference.)

COUNTY.

DR. E. W. TOOL, Freeburg, For Associate Judge. JEREMIAH CROST, Selinsgrove, For County Surveyor. CHARLES L. WETZEL, Beaver.

Republican Standing Committee.

Adams—Moses Ebb, John A. Fetterhoff, Beaver. Isaac Wilber, J. G. Walker, Beaver. West—Wm. G. Smith, Thomas Herter, Centre. W. G. Hartman, H. C. Sampson, Chapman. Simon Long, Wm. Rice, Franklin. Adam Rominger, John H. Martin, Jackson. J. S. Yearick, Wm. Martin, Middleburgh. James Rowson, J. M. Steinger, Middleburgh. Levi Agrand, P. L. Row, Monroe. J. S. Ridd, H. H. Bowler, Perry. J. L. Gumberting, E. E. Londenstager, Perry. R. F. Arbaugh, David Blyler, Perry. West—C. M. Arbaugh, D. Reimbach, Selinsgrove. A. H. Koch, Levi Fisher, Selinsgrove. E. F. Koss, Wm. J. Klose, Union. Allen Sechrist, George Planders, Washington. John Hill, James P. Moyer.

The Public Road Law.

SOME NEW LIGHT THROWN UPON A MATTER OF INCREASING INTEREST.

Judge Yerkes, of the Bucks county court, recently delivered an opinion in a case involving the rights and duties of road supervisors which is of general interest. On the demand of certain taxpayers of Bensalem township, Moses Vandegrift, the supervisor, made a contract with them for making a good and substantial road bed upon a specified part of the township, either by macadamizing the same, or by the use of stone and gravel, or in such other way as should be deemed advisable and proper, to make a permanent benefit to the township. The work appears to have been done to the satisfaction of the taxpayers, and the cost amount charged to him upon the township duplicate. The cost, according to the contract, equaled the amount of taxes due to the township from the taxpayers with whom the contract was made. The township auditors disallowed the credit, on the ground that the supervisor exceeded his authority in making such a contract. Judge Yerkes said that the contract was clearly within the law, and such as the supervisor had the right to make. It was also for the making of such a road as the law contemplates, and of the materials mentioned by the act. It was true it might result in making a better character of road than is usually provided by the ordinary supervisor, but no better than the status intended should be made.

Judge Yerkes said that instead of making such improvements to the roads as would keep them constantly in repair and at all seasons clear of impediments to easy and convenient traveling, it was usual for the supervisor to make a pretense of repairing the roads by throwing upon the hard bed from the side ditches loose earth, unbroken rolling stones and whatever other material, suitable or unsuitable, might be found in the ditches alongside, without reference to the condition of the road or the necessity for repairs or filling up. The consequence was that often good roads were made worse, if not nearly impassible for a season, while poor ones were neglected, simply because the immediate side ditches did not furnish suitable materials to repair them with. This short-sighted and to often useless system of repairing roads was frequently approved by the taxpayers for two reasons: First, because supposed to be inexpensive; second, it permitted him to work out his taxes without being required to furnish valuable material or to provide the better labor that a different method would demand.

This method was characterized by Judge Yerkes as both expensive and wasteful, and, moreover, was not lawful, as the law requires that the work shall be effectually done and of a permanent character, so as to keep the road in constant repair. The Judge suggested that if, instead of this ineffectual method, a portion of the highways of each township where most needed should each year be put in a state of permanent improvement, with such temporary repairs only as are needed to other

portions, in a few years the same expenditure would result in establishing a system of safe, good and permanent roads which would not require half the expenditure incurred by the system now practiced. Instead of being condemned and put to loss, Judge Yerkes said that the supervisor deserved to be commended for good sense and judgment.

As Judge Yerkes interprets the law in the case just cited, every essential requirement for the construction of good roads is contained in the statute now in force. And therefore there seems to be no necessity for the enactment of a more stringent road law, unless it would be to provide a penalty for the punishment of persons who array themselves against supervisors for the lawful and faithful performance of their duties. We must remember that it is no fault of the law bad roads predominate. The real difficulty is that the people are unwilling to have roads constructed as the present law contemplates and provides. And while it is the duty of the supervisors to construct lawful roads, it is unreasonable to expect them to change road making methods without the assent of the people. Especially is it unreasonable to expect them to do so when, after one has performed his duty faithfully and well, he is denied the money which the law appropriates for road purposes, and is compelled to appeal to a legal tribunal for protection, and can only get the money due him by an award in his favor from the court. In most localities people practically prevent the construction of good roads, either by refusing to elect men for supervisors, who, if elected, would improve the roads, or by defeating at the succeeding election those who, by reason of having better road construction, increase taxation. For an increase of tax to the amount of ten cents on \$100 and even less, because of road improvement, a supervisor would be overwhelmingly defeated in many of the townships of this State.

Under the present law the desired result could gradually be realized by constructing as many miles of stone road annually as a reasonable assessment upon property valuation and the amount received from the State (if appropriated) would permit. The State would then should condition that the supervisors of each township construct a certain distance of road each and every year. I believe that the present road law, if not repealed, should be so modified as to annul the clause permitting taxpayers to work out their own taxes, because the work done by the taxpayers, as a rule, is performed without knowledge or care; and if practicable, to establish some standard of qualification governing the election of supervisors. If, on the other hand, all the main roads are to be macadamized successively, then it would seem necessary that townships be empowered by proper legislation to issue bonds for the permanent improvement of the public roads. This plan would not impose the burden of cost exclusively upon the present generation, but would extend the payment of some of the indebtedness thus incurred to those who come after, who should share the expenditure for the consequent benefits which they would reap from the work wrought by their predecessors.

HOFFER.

Mrs. Maggie Heckard has returned home from Michigan.

R. S. Meiser left for Philadelphia on Monday to buy his Spring stock of goods.

W. H. Wendt and wife on their return from their wedding trip stopped off at Daniel Bahners'.

It was noticed in last week's Post that Henry Reinhart, indicted for larceny, is from Chapman township, which is a mistake; he is a resident of Susquehanna township, Juniata county.

Mrs. Agnes Beishe will receive a full line of millinery goods next week. She is also engaged in dress-making.

Camp 573 P. O. S. of A. has changed their meeting from Thursday to Saturday evening.

U. C. Kerstetter shipped a lot of apples on Tuesday.

David Hoffer is turning his blackberry tract into a strawberry patch.

John Ward, of Millerstown, was seen on our streets on Monday.

John Robinson was the guest of David Hoffer's on Sunday night.

John T. and Geo. I. met at the same place for the same girl. They decided to draw cuts for her. Geo. had the good luck to get the long stick and was the winner, after which John left for Pallas to hide

his embarrassment.

Francis Sheaffer, of Richfield, visited his parents over Sunday.

Edgar Rishes' visited R. S. Meiser's on Sunday.

Geo. Stephen died April 15, aged 82 years. The remains were interred in the Grubb's cemetery on Monday.

I. D. CLARE.

BEAVER SPRINGS.

The Reformed congregation of this place held communion service on Sunday. Nine members were added to the church.

The merchants of this place returned from Philadelphia with the finest stock of merchandise ever brought to this place.

On last Sunday evening the Lutheran congregation celebrated Easter by having Easter services. The church was crowded to its utmost. All performed their pieces well. Judging from the appearance of the audience it was well received. A collection for church extension was held which amounted to \$11.87.

The Snyder County Sunday School Association will convene at Middleburgh May 9, 10 and 11. All Superintendents will please make out their respective reports and the Secretar will call for them. An interesting program has been prepared. The subjects for discussion will be sent this week to the respective parties who are expected to talk upon them. Those interested in the work should prepare themselves to enable them to speak on the different topics when brought before the Convention. Let us make this one of the most successful conventions in the history of the county.

Misses Currie and Mollie Ulsh, of Middleburgh, spent Sunday with friends at this place.

Miss Hattie Beaver, of Middleburgh, is spending several pleasant weeks at this place.

SPANISH JACK.

SPANISH JACK will stand for service every two weeks during the season of 1892, as follows: At the stable of Sarah Dankelberger, 3 mile South of Arley's church, April 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31.

At the stable of John Renninger, 3 1/2 mile East of Middleburgh, April 21, 22; May 5, 6, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31.

At the stable of the undersigned, 1 mile West of Kantz, April 25, 26, 27; May 9, 10, 11, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31.

At the stable of Henry K. Moyer, 1/2 mile North-west of Freeburg, April 28, 29; May 12, 13, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31.

At the stable of Jacob Knoke, one mile South of K. Arleyville, April 28, 29, 30, 31; every other Saturday, May 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31.

Consumption Cured.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all other Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has still it in his possession, and is offering to his suffering fellow-men, Actuated by this noble and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using, sent by mail by addressing with stamps, mailing tube (sealed), W. A. Novas, 525 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

IN THE ORPHANS' COURT OF SNYDER COUNTY. The auditor appointed by the court to distribute the balance of the fund in the hands of the Administrator in the estate of Elizabeth Hingaman, deceased, will meet the parties interested for or against said estate, at the office of P. E. Bowser, Esq., Middleburgh, Pa., on Tuesday, April 19th, 1892, at 10 A. M., when and where all claims against said estate, properly authenticated, must be presented, or be barred from coming in on said fund.

JAY G. WEISEL, Auditor. Middleburgh, Pa., March 28, 92.

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Rupture!

We the undersigned were entirely cured of rupture by Dr. R. A. Simpson, of York, Pa. I am now well.

Dr. Simpson's medicine is a powerful, which can be given in a glass of beer, a cup of coffee or tea, or in food, and is perfectly safe. It is a powerful, which can be given in a glass of beer, a cup of coffee or tea, or in food, and is perfectly safe. It is a powerful, which can be given in a glass of beer, a cup of coffee or tea, or in food, and is perfectly safe.

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ADMINISTRATORS' NOTICE.

Letters of Administration c. t. a. lothe estate of Nathaniel Walter, late of Franklin twp Snyder county, Pa., dec'd, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, while those having claims will present them duly authenticated to the undersigned.

ELMER E. WALTER, CALVIN S. WALTER, Administrators. Feb 23, 92.

CENTRAL HOTEL.

Opposite R. R. Station, Beavertown, Snyder Co., Pa. This Hotel has been remodeled and refurnished. Heated with Steam. Rates \$1.40 per day. The traveling public will find at this Hotel the best accommodations. Your patronage respectfully solicited.

I. M. WENTZEL, Prop'r.

Middleburgh Market.

Table listing market prices for various commodities: No. 1 Wheat, No. 2, White or Mixed, Rye, Old Corn, Oats, Potatoes, Butter, Eggs, Pitted cherries, Unpitted, Raspberries, Onions, Lard, Tallow, Chickens per lb., Turkeys, Side, Soules, Ham.

DR. R. A. SIMPSON'S WILL BE AT

Home Office, April 1 to 18 Eagle Hotel, Middleburgh, Pa., from Friday, April 22, at 10 o'clock a. m. to Saturday noon.

Dr. Simpson will examine any one who may call upon him free of charge. Knowing that hundreds are living in a precarious existence with out medical aid, and that many have passed through the various stages of disease, and are now perhaps, before they may not know where to apply, he is justified in making such an offer. We are especially anxious to be guarded upon these points, as they are of great importance to the public.

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MERCHANT TAILOR, Selinsgrove, Pa., where your work is always guaranteed or you have recourse. This is a question that interests every man and boy. A neat-fitting suit, no matter what the material is it always looks better than an ill-fitting suit no matter how fine the goods. Then come at once and get fits.

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