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Governor—Col. W. A. Stone.
Lieut. Gov.—Gen. J. P. S. Gohn.
Sec. Int. Affairs—Gen. J. W. Latta.
Superior Judge—W. W. Potter.
Congress at Large—Hon. G. A. Grow.
S. A. Davenport.
Congress—Hon. T. M. Mahon.
Assembly—Dr. A. M. Smith.
Associate Judge—Z. T. Gemberling.
County Surveyor—G. A. Boddorf.

Thursday, Oct. 13, 1898.

CONGRESSMAN MAHON. O. K.

From Philadelphia Inquirer, Oct. 12.

An unusual effort is to be made by the democrats of the Eighteenth Congressional District, now represented by the Honorable Thaddeus M. Mahon, of Franklin, to defeat that gentleman this year. It will not succeed. Their candidate, Mr. Robert McMeen, of Millin, is an excellent gentleman, but he labors under the disadvantage of being personally unknown to many of the voters, while Mr. Mahon's name is a household word in every one of the seven counties composing the district. Mr. Mahon's services, too, have been satisfactory to the great majority of his constituents, and it is known that he will get many Democratic votes. We find no reason for being the least apprehensive of the result out there.

LAFAYETTE DAY.

The movement to signalize the participation of the United States in the Paris Exposition by the erection of a monument to Lafayette through contributions from pupils of public schools, the memorial to be unveiled and dedicated on July 4, 1900, has made such progress that the 14th inst. has been officially designated as Lafayette Day, on which occasion special exercises, appropriate to the occasion, are to be rendered.

It is peculiarly appropriate that such exercises should be participated in by pupils of the schools of Pennsylvania. Within its limits are Valley Forge Campground and the scenes of other important events in which the eminent Frenchman who devoted himself with such ardor to the cause of American independence figured prominently.

At Barren Hill Lafayette established a camp under the direction of Washington, and successfully eluded an overwhelming British force, to have encountered which would probably have meant destruction or capture for his little band. This event has been suitably commemorated by the Historical Society, and a substantial monument erected by it to mark the site of the camp.

Snyder County's teachers and pupils have a reputation for patriotism which they will no doubt fully maintain in connection with the proposed participation in the Lafayette memorial. Every teacher in the county should respond heartily to the suggestions of Governor Hastings and the Superintendent of Public Instruction. In so doing they will also impress upon the minds of their pupils the value of unselfish service such as those rendered to the struggling colonies by the brave and chivalrous Frenchman.

The Penitentiary Sentences.

Last week at court three persons were sent to the penitentiary for stealing and a small boy to the house of refuge for house breaking. Howard Jones, who was convicted of stealing meat from Elmer Zechman was sentenced to serve a term of two

years in the Eastern Penitentiary. John Napp and Grier Shell were both convicted of stealing meat from Reuben Weirick and Napp was sentenced for two years and Shell received six months more than either of the other two. We presume that Shell's six months extra is because it was his second introduction to Judge McClure. It seems like a hard and cruel sentence especially to Jones and Napp, who both have large families to support, and who no doubt have a deep interest in their welfare else they would not undertake to steal to support them. On the other hand it is not right that a few honest men should be made the victims of these midnight praulers. The Court resorted to the only step that will break up this stealing business. If the mild sentences will not break up these depredations then the court is doing the proper thing in sending these marauders to the penitentiary, and thus protecting the community against them. As to the support of the families the townships can better afford to keep them than a few individuals that would be made the unwilling supporters, by having thefts committed upon them.

It is a matter of universal regret that Mr. Kautz caught the wrong parties or failed to be able to convict the guilty ones. These men from Shamokin certainly cleared themselves by proving an alibi. Justice is a very peculiar thing when you are trying to secure it for yourself or any one else. It would be more unfortunate to convict one innocent man than it would be to let three guilty men go free. Hence these men are entitled to the doubt if any existed.

The Court had more criminal business last week than it has had for a long time. The court did the best thing it could in protecting the community and if it would have had a chance to do it, it would have done more.

Court Proceedings.
Reported by Jas. G. Crouse, Esq.

Court convened Monday Oct. 5, 1898, at 11:42 A. M.

Hon. H. M. McClure, President Judge, and Hon. Z. T. Gemberling, Associate Judge, presiding.

P. H. Herbsler, H. R. Riegle, Henry W. Kerstetter and Henry R. Tobias were appointed tipstaves.

Constables' returns were filed and approved.

W. H. Unger, David L. Glover and Chas. C. Yocum were admitted to practice law in the several courts of Snyder County.

Monday, Oct. 3, 1898, at 12 M., memorial services were held and the court adjourned until Tuesday morning in memory of Hon. H. C. Sampsell, deceased.

The Committee on resolutions reported the following viz:

WHEREAS, it has pleased our Heavenly Father in His inscrutable wisdom, and through the medium of a sudden calamity, to call to Himself the Honorable Henry C. Sampsell, one of the Associate Judges of this Court;

Therefore be it resolved by the Bar of the County of Snyder

That while we deeply deplore his loss we bow in humble submission to the will of Him whose ways are not as our ways, yet who is "too wise to err and too good to be unkind."

RESOLVED, That by the death of Judge Sampsell our Court has lost an honest and conscientious member, his family a kind husband and father, his church a consistent and worthy member, and the community one of its most upright citizens.

RESOLVED, That we tender our heartfelt sympathy to his sorrowing family and friends as we mingle our own tears with theirs in this, their period of desolation and bereavement.

RESOLVED, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Court, and that a copy be furnished to all the newspapers in the County of Snyder for publication.

A. W. POTTER,
FREDERICK E. BOWEN,
JACOB GILBERT,
H. H. GRIMM,
Committee.

COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS.

In the case of the commonwealth against Daniel J. Houtz, the jury found the defendant guilty of assault and battery, and he was sentenced to pay a fine of two dollars and the costs of prosecution.

In the case of the commonwealth against William Kahler, et. al., there was a verdict of acquittal.

the case of the commonwealth against David Shaffer, J. F. Dunkelberger, William D. Mann and Francis E. Boyer.

In the case of the commonwealth against J. A. Williams, the jury did not find a true bill, because the witnesses were not present.

In the case of the commonwealth vs. David I. Sholley, a bench warrant was issued.

In the case of the commonwealth vs. Eyre Smith, R. A. M. Harner, the prosecutor, was sentenced to pay the costs of prosecution.

In the case of the commonwealth vs. Moses Freedman, the defendant was acquitted of the charge of assault and battery, and he and his wife, who was the prosecutrix, were each sentenced to pay one half of the costs.

In the case of the commonwealth against Howard Jones, the defendant was convicted of larceny and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$10, costs of prosecution, restore the stolen goods, or pay the same, and undergo an imprisonment in the Eastern Penitentiary located at Philadelphia, for the term of 2 years at hard labor and solitary confinement.

In the case of the commonwealth vs. John Napp and Grier Shell, they were convicted of the same offense and received the same sentence with the exception, that their fines were \$5 each and Shell was sent down for 2 years and 6 calendar months.

In the case of the commonwealth vs. Lee Roy Kerstetter, the defendant was acquitted of the charge of burglary and the court directed the committal to the house of refuge.

E. D. H. Walter, David Stahl and W. B. Gemberling were appointed to view public road in Perry township.

J. M. Baker, Samuel J. Warner and Edward Beaver were appointed to view bridge across Jack's Creek in West Beaver township.

Wm. Moyer, Henry Brown and Edward Shaffer were appointed to view public road in Union township.

James Middleswarth, James A. Wagner and Frank Spaid were appointed to view public road in Centre township.

J. M. Boyer, Henry Moyer and M. H. Moyer were appointed to view public road in Monroe township.

H. E. Richter, C. S. Spangler and W. H. Kerstetter were appointed to view public road in Perry township.

Philip B. Moyer, Wesley Flanders and Daniel Maneval were appointed to view and vacate public road in Perry township.

Reports of road views in Chapman, Perry and Penn townships were confirmed nisi.

COMMON PLEAS.

In the case of John S. Wolf against John A. Moyer, a rule was granted to show cause why service of the writ should not be set aside.

The trustee and guardian accounts filed in the Court of Common Pleas were confirmed as advertised.

In the case of J. C. W. Bassler vs. W. H. Heim, the verdict was in favor of the plaintiff for 6c damages and 6c costs. Right to file reasons for new trial waived.

P. S. Ritter, Sheriff, acknowledged deeds, polls to C. A. Thomas and Henry Maltill, agents, et., P. M. Teats and Jennie Arbogast.

In the case of I. L. Hottenstein, attorney-in-fact for the heirs of Isaac Richard Hottenstein, dec'd., vs. Cyrus David Hottenstein, the verdict was in favor of the plaintiff for the sum of seven hundred and seventy eight dollars.

In the case of Charles Hower vs. the Union Ferry Co., the verdict was in favor of the plaintiff for the sum of \$30.

ORPHANS' COURT.

Orders of sale were awarded in the estates of John H. Bachman, dec'd., and Sabilla Noll, dec'd.

Returns to orders of sale were confirmed in the estates of John S. Hassinger, dec'd., Elizabeth Reichenbach, dec'd., Benjamin Kreamer, dec'd., Nathan Arbogast, dec'd., Michael Frantz, dec'd., Julian Swartz, dec'd., Thomas Swartz, dec'd., and Eve Sampsell, dec'd.

Returns to writs of inquest were confirmed in the estates of Joseph Hassinger, dec'd., and Z. P. Gross, dec'd.

A. W. Pontius was appointed guardian of Myrtle Izora, Roscoe Henry, Ralph Jacob and Rachael Elizabeth Keyser, minor children of Emma Keyser, deceased.

All the accounts of executors, administrators and guardians and the widow's appraisements were confirmed as advertised except those hereinafter mentioned.

Auditors' reports were filed in the estates of John R. Arbogast, dec'd., and Phoebe A. Keely, dec'd.

Exceptions were filed to the accounts in the estates of Joseph Hassinger, dec'd., and Esther Hare dec'd.

Saturday, Oct. 8, 1898, court adjourned to Tuesday, Nov. 15, 1898.

DIED.

Sept. 28, in Buckwheat Valley, Henry Hoffman, aged 20 years, of consumption.

HEALTH OF SANTIAGO.

The Condition of Our Soldiers Has Greatly Improved.

GEN. WOOD'S EXECUTIVE ABILITY

The Military Governor Has Succeeded in Bringing Order Out of the Chaos That Issued Upon the Departure of the Spaniards.

Santiago de Cuba, Oct. 11.—The health of the United States troops now in the province of Santiago has considerably improved, not more than 10 per cent now being on the sick list. Most of the cases of indisposition are merely light malarial fevers. Yellow fever has been practically stamped out of the city by the systematic cleaning process put into operation.

For several weeks Major Barber, who is at the head of the street cleaning department, has had 600 men engaged in carting away the filth of generations, which is burned at one or the other of the crematories. General Wood has shown wonderful executive ability in bringing order out of the chaos that issued upon the departure of the Spaniards. He is without question one of the most popular officials in this part of the island. In making appointments he places no personal favorites, but takes the verdict of 50 of the most prominent Cubans, who are answerable for the honesty and efficiency of the candidates they propose.

General Lawton is well satisfied with the soldierly qualities displayed by his men since they have been here, and all reports from other places in the province as to the behavior of the American troops are equally satisfactory. There has been very little drunkenness, which, when one remembers that, as a soldier tersely puts it, "drink is cheap, and you are always thirsty," is really remarkable.

Officers of all grades, and even enlisted men, are receiving letters by every mail from persons in the United States asking for information as to the possibilities for investment in this part of Cuba. In the early future there ought to be numerous openings, but at present General Wood advises investors not to come if they intend their investments to take the form of land purchase, as the records and archives have been left in a shocking state by the Spanish authorities, presumably with the intention of making additional difficulties for their successors.

A man with a little capital would do well here with a small laundry, an American bakery or a small store with good groceries. Such enterprises could be made to pay from the very outset.

Gathering of Catholic Prelates.

Washington, Oct. 11.—The Catholic archbishops of the United States and a number of the prominent clergy are here to attend the annual meetings of the board of trustees of the Catholic university and the archbishops this week. That of the trustees of the university, of which Cardinal Gibbons is president, commenced today. There are no questions to come up likely to lead to long discussion. Following the disposition of the work of the trustees will be the meeting of the archbishops. There are 13 of these dignitaries in the church of the United States at this time, the archbishopric of Santa Fe being vacant, and nearly all are expected to be present.

The Botkin Extradition Case.

San Francisco, Oct. 11.—The Botkin case is likely to develop a sensation before the alleged poisoner is removed from the state. Governor Budd signed the extradition warrant yesterday afternoon and gave it to Chief Lees. Attorney General Fitzgerald thought it was legal, and that it was sufficient for her removal. Mrs. Botkin's attorney hastened to the federal court to ask Judge Hawley to issue a writ of habeas corpus to prevent the state authorities from forcibly taking the prisoner from the state, but Judge Hawley could not be found. It is possible that the prisoner will be taken away today unless the courts interfere.

A Russian Prince Married.

Chicago, Oct. 11.—Prince Nicholas W. Engalitcheff, formerly of St. Petersburg, now of Chicago, and Mrs. Eva Clayton, daughter of Capitalist Charles W. Partridge, were married at the Orthodox Greek church of St. Vladimir yesterday. Only the bride's father, mother and sister, and Baron A. A. Schlippenbach, the Russian consul, and Carl Buenz, the German consul, were present. The bride was formerly the wife of Samuel Clayton, a wealthy Philadelphian, but secured a divorce a few months ago. Prince Engalitcheff is the eldest son of Prince Alexander Engalitcheff.

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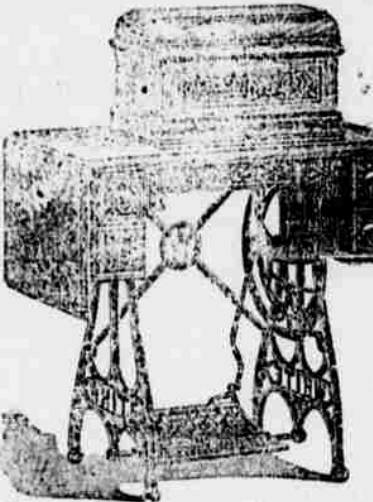
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