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LUCID LOCAL LAONICS

Everybody is enjoying the good sleighing.

Mrs. E. M. Greene, of Lewistown, spent Sunday with her parents.

Mrs. M. L. Kreeger of Selingsgrove spent Sunday with Libbie Dankleburg.

They say that all the Democrats are for Potter. How about black-headed and hopeful Joe Lasher.

Misses May and Emily Miller of Middleburg spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of Wm. F. Feese.

FOR SALE.—26 acres of good farming land. For particulars inquire of Mrs. B. E. Arnold, 105 Kensington Street, Cleveland, O.

The Mission Band of Susquehanna University held four interesting meetings in Middleburg Saturday night and Sunday.

WANTED.—Girl for general house work, good wages, three in family.

MRS. BRAYTON, Lewistown, Pa.

A round ONE or a paper ONE will do the work. Send us one dollar for the best paper in Snyder County for one year and the Farm News one year thrown in.

The revival meetings in the U. B. church were opened Sunday evening. The pastor and people extend a hearty invitation to all. Services begin at 7 o'clock P. M.

SHOES FOR SALE.—At the shoe factory, wholesale and retail at a sacrifice. They consist of Infants' Shoes slightly damaged, and Misses' and children's McKay Shoes, odd lots at manufacturer's prices.

Here is a trick. Take a dollar bill, new or well worn. Fold it nicely and enclose it in an envelope with your name and address. Send it to the Post and you will receive all the news of Snyder County for a whole year and a 50-cent card entitling you to the Farm News one year. Try it, it will make you happy all year.

Go to A. E. Soles for a smooth easy shave or up-to-date hair cut and head cleaned with a refreshing shampoo or hairdust removed with his tonic. A clean towel to each patron. Parlor in bank building, one door east of Post-office. Satisfaction guaranteed. If.

Several days ago Alex Houser, of Port Trevorton, received an unsigned letter containing 30 cents in stamps from a person who says that about ten years ago, he stole an article of that value from Mr. Houser and now wishes to make restitution and asks forgiveness. Mr. Houser has no idea where the letter is from, so he wishes the Post to tell him that he is forgiven.

The second Quarterly Conference of the Middleburg Mission U. B. Church, will be held at Middleburg, Feb. 20, 1901. Rev. H. S. Gable, P. E., of Lebanon, will be present to officiate. He will also preach on the evening of the above date. The official business session will be held directly after the session. All are welcome.

WM. H. BOYER, Pastor.

Marriage Licenses.

Wm. F. Blee Troxelville, Tamath Norman

Bargains at Garman's

Peter Garman, Mt. Pleasant Mills is offering a new line of ladies hats and millinery goods. Men's hats 25 cents and Queensware at 3 cents a piece. 11-22-3m

Select Your Date.

Persons who propose to make sale this coming spring should select their date as early as possible and have it inserted in the Post's sale register. The notice will be inserted free in our sale register if the bills are printed at this office.

To the Republican Voters of Snyder County. Owing to the very early date fixed for the primary election, and for other reasons that will be given later on, I will not be a candidate at the nomination on the 23d inst., for the office of President Judge.

Feeling grateful to all who were willing to lend a helping hand, JAMES G. CROUSE.

JURY LIST.—Feb. Term 1901.

List of Grand and Petit Jurors for the Court of Common Pleas, Oyer and Terminer, General Jail Delivery and Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace of Snyder county held on December Term, commencing Feb. 25, 1901.

Table with columns: Name, Residence. Lists names and addresses of Grand and Petit Jurors.

PETIT JURORS.

Table with columns: Name, Residence. Lists names and addresses of Petit Jurors.

MILITARY ENTERTAINMENT COURT HOUSE, MIDDLEBURGH

Thursday and Friday, February 21 and 22. An interesting military entertainment will be given under the auspices of Capt. G. W. Ryan Post, G. A. R. No. 304, for the benefit of the Post Charity Fund.

TREXLER'S STORE

316 Market Street, Sunbury, Penna. Low prices on Muslins, Gingham, Shirtings, Tickings, Prints, Dress Goods, Blankets, Comforts.

TREXLER'S STORE

1-31-4c Sunbury, Pa. Proposed Congressional Apportionment. According to Senator Grady's Congressional apportionment bill...

FLORIDA.

Personally-Conducted Tour via Pennsylvania Railroad.

The second Jacksonville tour of the season via the Pennsylvania Railroad, leaving New York, Philadelphia, and Washington by special train February 19.

McCLURE'S MISTAKES.

The record shows that forty per cent of Judge McClure's cases taken to the higher courts have been decided wrong by him. Just think of it! Two out of five! No Judge in Pennsylvania ever had such a record.

Report About Dr. Emerick Not True.

It was reported last week, and many of the daily papers of Philadelphia and other places had it so announced, that a small box, containing enough dynamite to blow the house to pieces, was placed on the door step of Dr. M. L. Emerick, at his home at Hickory Corners, one day last week.

In order to get the exact truth of the matter the editor of the Star went to see the doctor and had a personal interview with him. It was all a false rumor, and there never was anything of the kind.

Last summer while bottling some medicine for his patients, a bottle exploded, pieces of which flew around the room, hitting one of the patients at the head, inflicting a slight wound, while other pieces made marks at the ceiling.

As to the many patients he has daily is true. When we were there in the afternoon there were some forty patients waiting their turn to see the doctor, and how many had left that day we do not know.

The last issue of Mr. Ritter's paper, the News, frantically exclaims, "Now, let the Tribune publish A. W. Potter's record in the higher courts, as we have failed to find one case in which he was right."

This was supposed to be a "winner." The fact is, that by reason of his broad legal knowledge, and forcible manner of presenting the law to the jury, he generally wins his cases in the lower court, and therefore he does not need appeal them to a higher court.

In nine cases out of ten in which he has been concerned, and which have gone to the higher courts, his position taken in the court below has been held to be correct by the higher courts. Had the Judge in the lower court refused to take Mr. Potter's view of the law, Mr. Potter would have had the Judge reverse it.

During all of his 29 years of experience Mr. Potter's position has been reversed in the Supreme Court in but one case, viz.: Smith vs. Rishel, 164 Pa., 181. In more than 20 cases his position has been affirmed by the higher courts.

Among others we name the following: Sholly vs. Stahl, 2 W. N. C. 418; Bank vs. Schoch & Springman, (not reported); Reichenbach's Appeal, (not reported); Erb vs. Commonwealth, 98 Pa., 447; Commonwealth vs. Ettinger, 98 Pa., 338; Commonwealth vs. Moyer, 98 Pa., 349; Dundore vs. Hollman, 2 Pennypacker, 481; Hollman's Appeal, 106 Pa., 502; Eckert vs. Schoch, 155 Pa., 599; Rishel vs. Crouse, 162 Pa., 3; Krebs vs. Stroub, 116 Pa., 105; and others.

Judge McClure, as an attorney, never had a case in the Supreme Court. Mr. Potter has won over 80 per cent of the cases he was concerned in the Supreme Court.

Vote for A. W. Potter, a Snyder county man, and an able lawyer.

Mrs. John P. Smith Dead.

Elizabeth Troxel Smith was born Jan. 28th, 1822, at Troxelville, a daughter of John and Susan (Moyer) Troxel, was married by Rev. Casper, Dec. 7, 1846, to John P. Smith and died Sunday morning, Feb. 10, 1901, at 5 o'clock, aged 79 years and 13 days.

Her descendants are as follows:

- 1. Caleb, born April 17, 1847, married Jan. 1875 to Hattie Peifer of Avoca, Iowa. They have two children, Lester and Laura, the former having a daughter—a great granddaughter of the deceased. Residence, Avoca, Iowa.
2. Anna, born Aug. 21, 1849, was married by Rev. Lazarus, 1870, to Wm. Snyder, deceased. They had one son, Elmer.
3. Clara, born April 21, 1857, was married Dec. 26, 1876 by Rev. Yearick to John A. Moatz of this year. Two children: Luther and Elizabeth.
Mrs. Smith was a faithful Christian woman who read her bible every day. She was a kind and loving mother and a member of the Reformed church at this place.
Burial Thursday, Feb. 14, at 10:30 A. M. Services in the Reformed church.

BOLD DECEPTION ATTEMPTED

The Figures of the McClure Organs Show that it Cost \$82.19 more to Try a Case under McClure than under Bucher.

The bold attempt in last week's issue of the News to deceive its readers is in perfect harmony with its denial concerning its market reports. If that sheet can deny its own market reports when the evidence of its falsity is in the hands of its readers, it can attempt to deceive where there is less likelihood of detection.

The News publishes a list of cases and expenses taken from the records in the Prothonotary's office. We give below an exact copy of the News' figures:

Table comparing Civil Cases Tried During Bucher's Term and McClure's Term, listing cases on list, cases tried, and court expenses.

Table showing Average cost per case under McClure and Bucher, and Average cost of each of McClure's cases over average cost of each of Bucher's cases.

The most conclusive evidence that the News intended to deceive lies in the fact that it fails to add up the figures that will tell the truth. In that case, it would show that McClure was not an economical judge, so our contemporary failed to add up the cost and average it for each case tried.

The above figures show that the 73 cases tried during McClure's 9 years cost almost as much as the 108 cases tried during the corresponding 9 years of Bucher's court. If the reader will take his pencil and add up the columns, he will find that 108 cases tried under Bucher cost \$26,129.29 and that 73 cases tried under McClure cost \$23,661.32.

Average cost per case under McClure.....\$324.13
Average cost per case under Bucher..... 241.94
Average cost of each of McClure's cases over average cost of each of Bucher's cases.....\$82.19

The first whoop going up from the McClure organs will be that it costs more per case to try a small number of cases than to try a large number of cases. We will grant that. But let us see further. McClure tried 73 cases at a cost of \$23,661.32 and Bucher, 108 cases at a cost of \$26,129.29. Now suppose McClure had the chance to try 35 cases more so as to be on a level with Bucher. Could he try those 35 cases for \$265, which is all he has left to do it with in comparison with Bucher's record. For the purpose of closing up this deceptive howl, we will grant that McClure be given the chance to try 35 more cases and let us see the cost:

35 cases at Bucher's average, (\$241.94).....\$8467.30
35 cases at McClure's average (\$324.13)..... 11344.55

The reader will readily see that McClure would not get very far with his \$2995. If McClure had to try 35 more cases, even at Bucher's average, it would cost the county \$963 more than Bucher's, and if it were figured at McClure's own average cost per case, it would make McClure's 108 cases cost \$5779.55 more than 108 cases of Bucher's. We will drop the latter figures, however, so the McClure organs will have no occasion to say the statement is unfair; but even taking the 35 cases at Bucher's average, McClure's expense to try the same number of cases is \$5903.09 more than Bucher's. Does that prove that McClure was an ECONOMICAL JUDGE?

In addition the McClure organs claim that McClure saves \$99 each term of court, or a total of \$180 in ten years, by not calling the petit jury until Tuesday. How can this be? Why does he not have a better showing? He must have saved at the spigot and left it leak at the bung.

These calculations have been made from the figures submitted by the News. We wish to thank our contemporary for submitting data so favorable to Mr. Potter.

SNYDER COUNTY PEOPLE NOT GOOD ENOUGH FOR JUDGE McCLURE TO LIVE AMONG.—A few days after the election of Judge McClure, in the fall of 1891, a committee of Snyder county citizens, among whom were J. E. Schoch, Dr. B. E. Wagenseller, Dr. P. A. Boyer, A. W. Potter, Esq., Dr. F. J. Wagenseller, C. P. Ulrich, Esq., G. R. Hendricks, Ed. M. Hummel, and others visited him at the "Nell" Hotel, Sunbury, and warmly invited and urged him to take up his home at Selingsgrove. They told him they had a very comfortable residence for him, (that of H. Allen, Esq., on University Avenue); that Selingsgrove was in the middle of the District, and that the committee and the citizens of the County generally would do all in their power to make him comfortable. He said he would consider it and inform the committee in a few days. He gave no further attention to this kind invitation, but it was soon learned that he was moving to Lewistown, and there he went. Snyder County people were not tony enough for him to reside among. He loves them very much, however, when he wants their votes for ten years more of office at about \$5000 a year.

A. W. Potter has grown up among the people of Snyder County, and is one of our foremost citizens. There is no better lawyer in the District. NOMINATE A. W. POTTER, a Snyder county man.

JUDGE McCLURE NOT ONE OF OUR PEOPLE.

Although Judge McClure has resided in this Judicial District nearly ten years, yet he has not become identified with any of the interests of our people. Although he has drawn \$50,000 of salary, and is a rich man, he has never bought any real estate, or paid any taxes on real estate, in the District. He has shown no disposition or intention to become a permanent citizen of the District. He lives in a rented house. He can easily pick up his accumulations and go away. He is here and among us only to hold office. He has recently declared to a prominent Selingsgrove gentleman that when he would come out of office, he would not practice law in the District, but he would locate in Scranton.

On the other hand, A. W. Potter has resided among us for 29 years. All he has in the world is located within our own county. He is a heavy taxpayer, and bears his share of the burden of all public expenses along with the rest of us. He is identified with all our interests. NOMINATE A. W. POTTER.