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**Republican Standing Committee.**  
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 Penn.—Joseph E. Hendricks, J. N. Jarett.  
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 Perry West—J. S. Winey, J. Z. Strawser.  
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 Spring—C. B. Elise, D. Harrison Snook.  
 Union—J. G. Stahl.  
 Washington—W. F. Brown, Myron A. Moyer.

**REPUBLICAN TICKET.**  
 For Congress.  
 Ed. M. Hummel.  
 (subject to district conference.)  
 For Assembly.  
 F. C. Bowersox.  
 For Sheriff.  
 Chas. E. Sampsel.  
 For Treasurer.  
 D. Norman App.  
 For county commissioners.  
 Harrison Moyer.  
 Jonathan Reichenbach.  
 For County Auditors.  
 Chas. M. Arbogast.  
 John M. Boyer.  
 For Coroner.  
 A. J. Herman.

John P. Elkin is still rolling in the delegates, one county after another is dropping into his column. Northumberland Co. has instructed her three delegates to vote for him.

Two historic houses that lend fame to St. Louis are to be wrecked at an early date to make room for modern structures. In one Julia Dent became the wife of General Ulysses S. Grant; in the other Sarah Knox Taylor, daughter of President Taylor, was married to Jefferson Davis, who later became the President of the southern confederacy.

NO MATTER what may happen to the miners of anthracite coal, the outlook for consumers whose means are modest cannot be regarded as highly encouraging. The companies which control the production have already announced a steady and progressive advance in schedule rates, and this final month of spring is so cruelly cold that almost everybody except the owners of the mines is shivering.

POSTMASTER GENERAL PAYNE has found a happy argument to support the decision of his department, excluding pretended newspapers from the second class of mail matter. He says that giving low rates to these publications is to give them "a virtual subsidy," and that this is true is too clear to be questioned. The only thing to be decided, then, is whether they are worthy of being subsidized by the United States Government, and on this point there will be little difference of opinion.

This country has a real interest in the future of Holland. Should Queen Wilhelmina die without a direct heir there is no doubt that the Dutch people would object to the throne passing to a German prince, who would be a vassal to the Kaiser. Germany wants the Netherlands, for the possession of that country would help along her maritime development and foreign trade. As her great future business rival we are interested in the continuance of the gallant Dutch as a free people.

THE last official crop estimate cuts down the figures previously given as to the probable yield of winter wheat by 58,500,000 bushels. It concedes the destruction by drought of 4,868,000 acres and slight injury to what is left. This reduction does not mean that this season's total yield of wheat is going to be small, for, excepting 1901, the acreage still remains the largest on record. Therefore, although the condition of the wheat fields is reported to be the lowest in 10 years, it is thought that the amount produced will be greater than the general yield of other years of a decade, barring the years 1931, 1898 and 1892.

HELP SOLELY NEEDED.  
 Reports from Martinique show how greatly efficient help is needed. A small squad of French soldiers, brave and stalwart men, no doubt, was on Wednesday trying to cope with the tremendous task of burying the dead at St. Pierre. That the authorities of the island do not meet the situation is not strange. Directions by minds that have not been almost overpowered by the disaster is essential.

Horror is added to the situation by the scoundrels who, undaunted by the ruin that has been wrought, go among the dead to plunder. Terrifying though the threatening volcano must be, and unspeakably terrible as all the sights about them are, they still have the heart to rob! Reports cabled both to this country and to England agree in these stories of robbery. It is probably that as help arrives on the island a system of maintaining order can be devised. But many strong arms, under capable guidance, are needed to quickly perform the tasks that must be done. It is evident that the movements to send aid to the island were not begun a second too soon, or urged with too much vehemence. The world cannot be too generous.

**SHOE BARGAIN COUNTER**

Boys' Shoe Bon Ton Toe, well made, good solid leather reduced from \$1.25 to **\$1.00**  
 Child's Button Calf, heavy school shoe has a nice tip, reduced from \$1.20 to **\$1.00**  
 Some smaller sizes, same quality, reduced from 95c to 75c.  
 Ladies' Empress Dongola Button, formerly \$2, now **\$1.35**  
 Ladies' Keystone Button reduced from \$1.50 to **90c**  
 Patent Leather Tip, \$2.25 reduced to **\$1.80**  
 Men's Plow Shoes from \$1.00 up.

**Men's and Boys' Boots**  
 Boys' Boots reduced from \$1.75 to **\$1.25**  
 Men's Boots reduced from \$3.00 to **\$1.75**

The entire stock of Boots and Shoes are well made of superior leather, carefully sved and without a blemish. They must go at reduced prices to make room for new stock.

**Dry Goods**  
 Good unbleached Muslin from 4c up.  
 The best Prints, 5c and 6c.  
 Dress Goods that will wear for years—a large stock, low price.

**Warm Foot-wear**  
 We have a large stock of lumber men's socks, good heavy warm goods made of reliable materials.  
 Felt Boots, that will stand hard wear and keep off the cold. The prices are away down.

**BROSIOUS & MINIUM,**  
 Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa.

Old Copies of the Post Wanted.  
 While the subscribers of the POST are hunting up their old newspapers, they might look for the copies of the POST that are missing from our files. We will pay liberally for a copy of each of the following dates:  
 July 8, Sept. 6, 1869; Apr. 6, Oct. 13, 1879; Jan. 26, 1871; Apr. 17, 1873; Nov. 4, Dec. 23, 1875; Mar. 7, 1878; May 15, 1879; March 19, May 5, 1871; April 26, 1883; Mar. 27, June 12, Oct. 30, 1884; Sept. 17, Dec. 3, 17, 24, 1885; Jan. 28 May 6, Oct. 18, Dec. 23, 1886; Dec. 29, 1878.

**MCCLEURE.**  
 The show at Lewistown was the attraction of many. About one hundred persons from this place attended.

Isaac Dreese and wife and Ner B. Middleburgh and wife attended the Sunday school convention at Beavertown last week as delegates.  
 Reuben Stimely of Thompson town made a short call in town one day last week.  
 Bark peeling and piling is the order of the day.  
 Capt. Burdell of Wilkes-Barre was here looking after the interest of his timber and viewed the new mountain road. The captain pronounces it a good job.  
 George E. Middleburgh, Passenger Conductor on the K. V. R., visited his parents at this place over Sunday.  
 John A. Felker of Munhall, Pa., visited his parents over Sunday.  
 Paul Haines is among the sick.  
 Capt. Michael Smith Post will decorate in two divisions this year. The Western division will decorate at Wagner at 8:30 A. M.; at Lawver's at 10; at Samuel's at 11. The Eastern division will decorate at St. John's cemetery at 9 A. M.; at St. John's at 10; at Baker's at 11. Prof. F. C. Bowersox will deliver the memorial address at 2 o'clock in one of the churches in McClure. All the old soldiers as well as the citizens and Sunday schools are invited to join in these services. Prof. Chas. Mumma is drilling a class of selected singers of the different Sunday schools for the occasion in the afternoon of Memorial Day.  
 Mrs. Mollie E. Krebs and her two little girls visited her parents, John Felker and wife.  
 Levi K. Treaster, who had been sick for a long time, was buried Thursday last, at St. John's church.

**MIDDLEBURGH MARKET.**  
 Butter..... 18  
 Eggs..... 14  
 Onions..... 75  
 Lard..... 12  
 Tallow..... 31  
 Chickens..... 7  
 Side..... 8  
 Wheat..... 80  
 Rye..... 56  
 Corn..... 60  
 Oats..... 45-50  
 Potatoes..... 75  
 Bran per 100..... 1.20  
 Middlings..... 1.20

**KREAMER.**  
 Willard Roush was a visitor at the county seat Saturday.  
 Mrs. Jacob Walter of Selingsrove, formerly of this place, spent a few days with her daughter, Mrs. A. C. Smith.  
 Mrs. Thompson Hilbish and children of Selingsrove spent Thursday and Friday with N. C. Gutelius and family.  
 Mrs. Geo. Stuck and children of your town spent a few days with relatives in town.  
 Quite a few of our people attended communion services at Globe Mills Sunday.  
 Miss Verdie Fields and Izora Smith spent Tuesday with friends at Millinburg.  
 John Fields attended the Sunday school convention at Beavertown as a delegate from our Sunday school.  
 Mrs. Aurand, the milliner from Middleburg, had a millinery opening in town on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of last week.  
 Miss Meiser of Meiserville is visiting her sister, Mrs. Fisher.  
 Miss Ruth Lowe of Selingsrove spent a few days with her aunt, Mrs. A. C. Smith.  
 Wm. Hock of Shamokin, a man of fifty-nine years, rode the distance of thirty-four miles until 9 o'clock, Sunday morning, when he called at the home of N. C. Gutelius and took dinner with Wm. Gordon and family. Then he rode home.  
 Harvey Kreamer and Willard Roush were to Winfield Sunday.  
 W. H. Gordon attended Lodge at Sunbury Saturday evening.  
 Frank Riegle of the county seat passed through town Sunday.  
 Mrs. Ida Fields of Johnstown is visiting friends in our vicinity.  
 Levi Artley and wife are visiting relatives in Union county.  
 Reuben Walter spent Thursday in our town.  
 J. E. Magee, our energetic merchant, is raising the back part of his store.  
 Miss Lizzie Rowe has gone to Paxinos to spend several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Miller.  
 Wm. Keeler and family spent Sunday with Sam'l Raumbaugh.  
 A. C. Smith has given his house a coat of paint.  
 The C. E. Society has announced that there will be a festival held on the school grounds Saturday evening, May 24th, the proceeds to go towards the church.

**WATERING MILK COWS.**  
 Where Eight or Ten Animals Are Kept Construction of a Water System is Admissible.  
 We sometimes water our cows in the stables, and find it a great gain over turning them out to drink at the spring. We never allow our milk cows to drink out of a brook, as it is unreasonable to expect a cow to do her best if compelled to gorge herself with ice cold water. In the fall and early winter, when we have only a few of our cows calving, we always like to take the chill off the water they drink and give it to them in the stable; we notice a very marked improvement over turning them out. Of course, where there is a large herd it would not pay to water them in the stable without one had the water right in the barn. We water twice a day, and it is surprising how much they will drink, especially if some feed flour is stirred in it. A cow has no filter in her, and if the water is impure all the impurities will go to the milk. Some of our "big" farmers may cry "egotist" when they see this, but I am in a fair position to know, as for the last two months I have weighed every pound of feed our cows consumed. Also in the stable the milk of each cow was weighed separately and a record kept. From this we could plainly see that the day the cows were turned out to drink, if left for any length of time, there was always a shrinkage in the milk. If the change was noticeable in our milk December weather, what must it be when the mercury is hovering about the zero!

Where there is a winter herd of eight or ten cows it would pay to have a good water system, so as to water our cows in the stable in cold weather. Also induce them to drink as much as possible, for when we consider that milk contains over 80 per cent. of water, it is evident that our cows should have lots of good, pure water.—D. R. Nicholson, in Maritime Farmer.

**A Few Facts Worth Noting.**  
 A good road is the main artery of traffic. A village whose approaches are accessible and well kept is bound to thrive. A poor road at once brands the country wherein it exists as retrogressive of bankrupt and not worth traversing.

**Weak?**  
 "I suffered terribly and was extremely weak for 12 years. The doctors said my blood was all turning to water. At last I tried Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and was soon feeling all right again."  
 Mrs. J. W. Fiala, Hadlyme, Ct.

No matter how long you have been ill, nor how poorly you may be today, Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the best medicine you can take for purifying and enriching the blood.  
 Don't doubt it, put your whole trust in it, throw away everything else.  
 \$1.00 a bottle. All druggists.

**HOW'S THIS?**  
 We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.  
 F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, Ohio.  
 We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligation made by their firm.  
 West & Traux, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, Ohio.  
 Walding, Kinnan & Warvin, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, Ohio.  
 Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price, 75c per bottle. Sold by all druggists.  
 Hall's Family Pills are the best.

**Exports of Cheese Small.**  
 The quantity of cheese exported from the United States in 1901 showed a decrease as compared with like exports in 1870, of over 30 per cent.; the quantity exported from Canada, on the other hand, showed the remarkable increase, as compared with 1870, of over 3,000 per cent. Moreover, the conditions of the export trade in this product in the United States in late years show little indications of improvement, the exports in 1901 having reached a lower point, excepting those of 1896 and 1899, than at any like period in 30 years.

**John Smith Exposition.**  
 An exposition will be held at Jamestown, Va., in 1904, commemorative of Capt. John Smith and his settlement of English colonialists. The first step taken is the incorporation of the Jamestown Centennial company, with power to lease bonds and acquire lands for exposition purposes. Norfolk and Richmond are contending for leadership in the enterprise, with Norfolk, thus far, ahead.

**Sports.**  
 Knox—I sat down in my easy chair last evening and picked up that new novel of Scribblers', and I didn't get into bed until four this morning.  
 "Cox—The idea! Why, I thought it awfully tiresome.  
 Knox—Exactly! It was four o'clock when I woke up in my chair.—Catholis Standard and Times.

**Executor's Sale of Valuable REAL ESTATE.**  
 By virtue of powers contained in the will of Harriet Frank, late of Franklin township, Snyder county, Pa., deceased, and to me delegated, I, as her executor, will, on Thursday, June 12th, 1902, at the late residence of the said decedent in Paxtonville, offer her real estate at public sale, the same being bounded and described as follows, to wit:  
 A lot of ground situated in Paxtonville, Snyder county, Pa., bounded on the north by land of Lavina Brunner, on the east by land of Sarah Martin, and on the south and west by public road, containing  
 One and Three-fourths Acres more or less. On this lot are erected a good DWELLING HOUSE and all the modern out-buildings.  
 The executor reserves the right to sell this land in either one, two, or three lots, as is most suitable to the purchasers.  
 TERMS OF SALE:—50 per cent. must be paid cash on the day of sale, 50 per cent. must be paid five months after the day of sale, and the balance on or before 3 months after the day of sale when title and possession will be given.  
 Also at the same time and place the personal property of the decedent will be sold.  
 Sale to begin at one o'clock p. m. of said day when terms of sale of personal property will be made known by

**Harding Bargain Counter**

I have just returned from the Eastern cities with a full line of Spring and Summer goods at prices that DEFY COMPETITION.

**A Few Bargains**  
 Lawn and Organdies 5c.  
 Yard wide muslin worth 7c must go at 5c.  
 Prints, as low as 4c and up.  
 Table oil cloth, 12c and up.

**Shoes**  
 Men's heavy plow shoes, 90c.  
 Men's heavy split peg tap soles and iron heel rim, \$1.35  
 Ladies' fine dongola shoes worth \$1.50 marked to \$1.10

Come to see the full line of Work and Dress Shirts.

**HENRY HARDING, SCHNEE, PA.**

**INDIANA MAN WANTED.**  
 First Assistant Postmaster Generalship Offered to Harry S. New by the President.  
 Harry S. New, of Indianapolis, a member of the executive committee of the 'Republican' national committee, has been offered the place of first assistant postmaster general, to succeed William M. Johnson, of New Jersey, who has resigned. Mr. New is a native of Indianapolis, where he has been the publisher of the Indianapolis Journal for several years. He has been a member of the Indiana state senate since 1898, and served as a captain in the Seventh army corps during the Spanish war. Mr. New's work as a member of the republican national committee during the last campaign brought him the thanks of President McKinley and the present president for his valuable services to the republican party. The tender was made when Mr. New was in Washington several days ago, and at the president's request he is thinking it over. Mr. New is now in Indianapolis and declines to discuss the matter.

No Fun in It.  
 "Though 'bravely' the soul of wit,"  
 "Marked the blasted sport,"  
 "I really cannot see a bit  
 Of fun in being short."

**NEW PNEUMATIC GUN.**  
 Said to be the First Successful Gun of the Dynamic Variety Ever Constructed.  
 A successful dynamic gun has recently been constructed, according to reports, from Hilton Head, S. C., where the tests were held in the presence of government inspectors and officers of the Pneumatic Torpedo and Construction company, in whose shops the gun was made. The government specifications for an engine which could hurl

jeetile containing 500 pounds of glycerin or other high explosive of 6,000 yards. The Hilton gun threw 500 pounds of nitroglycerin 6,000 yards.  
 The difficulty operating against successful construction of dynamite guns hitherto has been the inability to fix in advance the point of concussion. The shell was so off in the gun unless extreme care was taken to guard against explosion. On the other hand, many precautions were taken to guard against a chance shock apt to fall to explode on impact.  
 The new pneumatic gun is 50 feet long, of 15 inches bore, and weighs 60 tons. The projectile is 10 feet long.  
 Five shots of the largest size