

The candidates on the Democratic ticket in this county are live, active Democrats and are all working earnestly for the success of the party.

Of the fifty-four Presidential postmasters appointed on Saturday last, just one succeeds a predecessor whose term had expired, while in thirty-three cases Democrats were removed to make room for Republican "workers."

The costliest luxury in which a nation can indulge is one of the modern warships. A century ago \$300,000 was a great price for a warship.

Statistics prepared by the Railroad Commissioners of Iowa show that in that State alone, with 8,000 miles of railroad, 353 brakemen were killed or injured in 1888 because of the use of the common link-and-pin coupling and the hand-brake on freight cars.

A trip in a railroad car covering more than five thousand miles, which does not necessitate a single change of cars, although it runs over a score of different roads and passes through as many States and Territories, and will not compel the passengers to touch the ground during the whole of it unless they feel disposed, may indeed be regarded as the most remarkable railroading feat the world has ever seen.

Dispatches from the northwest indicate that the cattle raisers anticipate a hard winter for their business, owing to a scarcity of feed and water. The dry season has seriously affected the growth of hay, the amount cured being comparatively small, while owing to the same cause great stretches of prairie have been burned over, thus completely destroying such pasture as survived the drought.

There appears to be a general revival of the question of whether a theatrical audience has a right to hiss a bad actor or a bad play, and some newspapers show an inclination to come out for the affirmative. If any of these newspapers are of the opinion that a gentleman by birth or breeding, a gentleman in the correct sense of that much-abused word, would hiss an actor or play or anything else, it has perhaps an apparent excuse for its argument.

TIMELY CAUTION TO NEWSPAPER PUBLISHERS.

It is well that there is some kind of a limit to publishing attacks upon people's characters and holding them up to public ridicule. In reading some of the assaults on character we have thought that too much license is granted to newspaper men, and, therefore, are rather pleased to note that a recent court decision draws a very proper line of demarcation between regular and extra editions.

though the extras were under the regular newspaper heading, the court held that inasmuch as they were not sent to subscribers at the time and with the regular papers, they were not newspapers; therefore the suit for libel was gained, and the publishers, very properly, heavily fined.

THREE MONTHS OF TANNER.

The treasury statement for September, says the Philadelphia Times, reveals very clearly why it was necessary to get rid of Tanner.

Of the increase in government expenditures for the quarter ending September 30 it appears that \$10,568,000 was due to increased outlay for the Pension Bureau. At this rate the increase for pensions alone for the fiscal year would have been \$42,000,000 and upwards, or more than fifty per cent. more than in any former year.

This sum is \$30,000,000 greater than is expended for the maintenance of Germany's enormous standing army, \$11,000,000 more than the annual war outlay of France, and \$39,000,000 more than that of England. Four years of Tanner at this rate would have made our pension expenditures equal to the war expenditures of all three of the great powers of Western Europe, unless some one could have been hired to hold him.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH BELL

Removed to Baltimore to be repaired, and Then it Will be Put Again in Use.

The large bell that hung in the tower of St. John's Catholic Church on Jackson street, before the flood, and summoned the faithful to services for the past five years has sounded its last note in Johnstown.

It was hauled to the B. & O. warehouse yesterday morning and shipped to the McShane Bell Foundry, Baltimore, Md., where it will be recast and made ready to do duty when the new Catholic Church will be rebuilt.

The bell bore the following inscription on one side in raised letters:

ST. JOHN GABRIEL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, JOHNSTOWN, PA., 1884. REV. OWEN P. GALLAGHER, RECTOR. On The Reverse, McSHANE BELL FOUNDRY, HENRY McSHANE & Co., BALTIMORE, MD., 1884.

It will be remembered by many of the survivors of the flood of May, 31, 1889, how the fire from the Catholic church lit up the heavens on that terrible night. Many a poor victim who had lost both relatives and property, and had to take refuge on the roof of some wrecked building or watched the fire from the side of some neighboring hill can recall the lonely hours as they slowly passed away during that never to be forgotten night.

When the fire reached the church tower, and slowly began to eat its way toward the top, it was a sight that was calculated to thrill a person with awe. One by one the crosses on the four corners of the tower toppled over and fell to the pavement below or within the burning building, and each as it fell illuminated the heavens just for a moment. Finally when the fire reached the timbers that held the bell in place, far up near the top, which was surmounted by a very large cross, and as the fire progressed it could be seen to tremble and totter for a few moments, when it suddenly crashed down to the bottom of the tower, carrying the cross with it, and sending up a shower of sparks heavenward that caused a feeling of gloom to spread all over the doomed city. When the bell was dug out of the ruins it was found to be very badly cracked on both sides, and could only be converted into old metal and recast.

Death of Miss Sallie A. Stroup.

In the death of Miss Sallie A. Stroup, which occurred Friday morning shortly after 10 o'clock, Johnstown has lost one of its most estimable young ladies. Among her acquaintances she was held in the highest esteem for her true womanly qualities and amiable disposition. She was a prominent worker in the young ladies' branch of the W. C. T. U., having been Superintendent of the Flower Mission, and performed her duties with energy and ability. During the great calamity she endeared herself to many by her brave and gentle actions, so as to win the unqualified esteem and regard of all with whom she came in contact. For at least two weeks after the flood, and perhaps a longer time, she assisted at the Bedford Street Hospital in such a way as to bring brightness and happiness to many a weary sufferer. Her memory should, and no doubt will, be long kept fresh in the hearts of many who frequently noticed her on her missions of love and mercy.

Miss Stroup was born in this city, and was about twenty-eight years of age. She was a member of the United Presbyterian Church, and illustrated in her life the beauties of the true Christian character.

The funeral will take place on Monday afternoon from 1 to 3 o'clock at the home of her parents, 169 Van Buren street. The interment will be at Grand View.

The contract for building the new jail for Somerset county was awarded to the Pauley Jail Company, of St. Louis, Missouri. The contract price is \$34,500, and the keys of the completed building are to be delivered on the first day of August, 1899.

RED CROSS FIELD HOSPITAL.

JOHNSTOWN, October 11, 1899.

There appeared an article in the issue of the Philadelphia Sunday Times of October 6th, emanating from some pusillanimous individual who apparently has exhausted all honest ability in endeavoring to blackmail the National as well as the Philadelphia Red Cross Associations by the appending article. As commander of the Philadelphia Branch now in this borough, I hereby emphatically denounce and characterize the writer as an unmitigated slanderer and unfit to breathe the atmosphere of honorable and upright people who secludes himself through the privileges of the press and poses as one voicing the sentiments of the people of Johnstown, a Pharisee who should be made to retract the scurrilous falsehoods that are without foundation and ostracized from a respectable community. R. S. WHARTON, M. D.

THE JOHNSTOWN HOSPITAL—RESIDENTS OBJECT TO RELIEF MONEY BEING DIVERTED FOR THAT INSTITUTION.

JOHNSTOWN, October 5. Among the many pieces of bad management in connection with the distribution of the people's money given for the relief of the sufferers by the flood in this and other parts of the State, nothing is so displeasing to the people of Johnstown as the inclination shown to divert portions of the money to purposes for which it was not intended.

If the report that reaches here is true that the sum of \$10,000 has been given by the Philadelphia committee for the purpose of continuing a hospital in charge of members of the Philadelphia auxiliary of the Red Cross Society at Johnstown, it will be met with a storm of disapproval and arouse a discussion if not a serious scandal that will be one of the most disagreeable of the unpleasant chapter of blunders that have followed in the wake of the great calamity.

At least four of the members of the Philadelphia Committee are also members of the Flood Commission, and the woman who has done more than any other individual for Johnstown and its suffering people, is opposed to the hospital, has had nothing to do with it and will not have, and is heartily in accord with the people of Johnstown in their opposition to it. More than this, Miss Barton looks upon the scheme to establish a hospital under the name of the Red Cross as something beyond and outside the purpose of the organization which she established and of which she is the responsible head.

Without going into particulars, it is sufficient to say that Miss Barton and all the other officers of the National Red Cross Society at Johnstown did not approve of the part taken by members of the Philadelphia auxiliary in the work of relief. Officers of the Red Cross say that the only drawback they had, the only thing they had to contend with, were the misunderstandings and misconceptions of the Society on the part of the people growing out of the conduct of the young doctors and their friends from Philadelphia who claimed to represent the Red Cross.

Shortly after these young doctors established a hospital in tents in a distant secluded place to which women and girls were taken free of charge and kept, although the resident physicians and officers of the Red Cross on the ground said there was no necessity for it, a committee of citizens made certain statements to General Hastings who immediately telegraphed for Dr. Pancoast, the president of the Philadelphia auxiliary. Dr. Pancoast, it is asserted, promised General Hastings and the committee and Miss Barton that it would be discontinued or at least turned over to the physicians of Johnstown, but on one pretext or another this has been deferred until now it appears an appropriation has been procured for it that to the people here seems preposterous. Dr. Pancoast proposed to Miss Barton making it the nucleus of a memorial hospital to have her name. She would not listen to it and said it would be wrong to put any portion of the relief fund to such a purpose.

PHILADELPHIA RED CROSS—AN INTERESTING STATEMENT FROM PRESIDENT WILLIAM H. PANCOAST.

Tuesday, October 8, 1899.

As I feel assured that you cannot desire to do injustice to one of Philadelphia's active and noble charities, I would ask you to publish the following, as an answer to an anonymous, untrue and, I fear, malicious statement which appeared in your Sunday edition yesterday as an unsigned communication from Johnstown.

As President of the Philadelphia Branch of the International Red Cross Society, I would beg to state that its members have all worked most diligently and unselfishly for the benefit of the suffering at Johnstown. We have worked harmoniously with Miss Barton, the President of our National Organization, with the President and members of the County Medical Society and have received the encomiums and other evidences of satisfaction and gratitude from the citizens of the valley. When we proposed closing our field camp on the 1st of August a petition was sent to me, signed numerously by citizens of Johnstown, begging me to keep the camp open and in operation, as it was so necessary to them and doing such good, useful work. Our society has spent in the valley over \$29,000 in contributions, and of our own money.

I have made repeated visits to supervise our operations and almost daily reports have been presented to the officers of our society and the executive committee commanders of our field camp, first, Dr. Wilkes O'Neill who went up to represent us and at great inconvenience to himself, organized the camp and stayed with it for two weeks as commander; Dr. R. S. Wharton, my assistant, who succeeded him and has been in command since, with the exception of a week, when Dr. A. W. Biddle, of Chestnut Hill, was in charge, have all worked harmoniously and courteously with Miss Barton and the local physicians of the county society. The camp has been managed admirably

and with every attention to the utmost propriety and with great praise from the Johnstown citizens. When the Journal of the Yellow Cross, was attacked by two men she found refuge, care and protection in our camp, and by the exertions and good judgment of Dr. R. S. Wharton, the commander, the two men were arrested. I feel assured, as president, that the Red Cross work of the Philadelphia Society has been an honor to Philadelphia, a credit to the Red Cross and a blessed relief to the suffering. I have the honor to remain very respectfully yours, etc., WM. H. PANCOAST, M. D., &c., President of the Red Cross Society of Philadelphia, 1100 WALNUT ST., October 7.

A MUSCULAR FEMALE.

A German Woman Throws a Policeman New York Cor., of Lancaster Inquirer.

Mrs. Mary Richardson, of Jersey City, a 200 pound German woman of forty-seven years, soundly thrashed two policemen and a deputy sheriff who tried to dispossess her yesterday. She met them with a Colt's navy revolver at the door, and sent two shots whizzing close by their ears. The third cap missed her and before Mrs. Richardson could shut the door the officers were upon her. She dropped the revolver and led off with a left hander that knocked the deputy sheriff clean off his feet. She sent one policeman to the floor with a blow on the face, and bowled the other up and down the corridor in a catch-as-catch-can wrestling bout. She retreated to her back yard eventually, with the deputy sheriff after her. After a short rough-and-tumble fight, she picked him up in her arms and dropped him over the fence into a neighbor's yard. This feat cost her her liberty, for, while she was doing it, two policemen crept up behind her and grabbed her wrists, and in a minute had handcuffs on her. Then the three disfigured, but triumphant officers, marched their captive to prison. In court Mrs. Richardson was held for felonious assault.

LUXURY IN RAILROAD TRAVEL.

The Pennsylvania's New York and Chicago Limited Express.

In those improvements which make railroad travel a luxury the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has always been a pioneer. The handsome finish and comfort of its ordinary cars almost render the old drawing-room car superfluous. Probably that is the reason the corporation has added new accommodations and attractions to its palace-car system such as have never before been dreamed of in the philosophy of the rail. Bath-rooms have been added to the sleeping-cars, with female attendants for lady passengers. A drawing-room car, handsomely fitted with rockers and other easy chairs, has been placed in the rear of the sleepers, in which persons taking berths can ride while their beds are being prepared. Barber-shops are provided for men, and arrangements have been made to receive stock quotations on the day trains. So a traveler can now have as many conveniences and luxuries on a Pennsylvania train as he can obtain in his own home or hotel.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The Following Have Been Granted Since Our Last Report.

Table listing names and locations of marriage licensees, including Francis Milligan, Barbara Swartz, Charles Krug, etc.

Prosperous and Healthy.

The Johnstown Daily Democrat entered the second year of his publication on Tuesday of last week.

Notwithstanding the usual difficulties which attend the introduction of a daily paper and the trying ordeal of the flood in which its office was extensively damaged and its subscribers and advertising patrons swept into eternity, inflicting heavy loss on the publisher, the paper appears to be in a prosperous and healthy condition. Altogether Mr. Woodruff has had a hard row to hoe the first year and it is to be hoped that the old adage "A bad beginning insures a good ending" may be verified in his case, that the Democrat may continue to prosper and more than fulfill the brightest expectation of the publisher.

Death of the Wife of Jacob A. Dumm.

Yesterday morning at half-past 9 o'clock Mrs. Alice Cecelia Dumm wife of Jacob A. Dumm, died at the home of her husband, No. 2123 Fourth avenue. Mrs. Dumm was born at the Summit, Cambria county, and at the time of her death was aged thirty-seven years, six months and twenty-seven days. Her death was caused by typhoid fever and her illness extended over a period of six weeks. Besides her husband five children are left to mourn the loss of a kind and loving mother. Her funeral will take place on Sunday afternoon, leaving her late residence at half-past 3 o'clock and proceeding to St. Mary's Catholic Church where services will be held. Interment in St. Mary's Cemetery.

RELIEF MONEY.

The long looked for relief money is about to be distributed. The Board of Inquiry has given checks on the First National Bank to persons in the first, second, and third classes. The checks are sent by mail. In some cases the checks are not sent until the mother or guardian makes oath to the ages of minor children. Class 1 consists of those made widows and orphans by the flood, who have no property or other means of support. Class 2 consists of widows and orphans not made so by the flood, and aged and infirm persons who have no means of support. Class 3 consists of the same character of persons, but who are not entirely without property. Children will receive \$50 per year until the age of sixteen. Some cases the entire amount will be paid to the mothers, in others the sum will be invested in an annuity trust company and payments made periodically. Former payments, houses, furniture, etc., will be deducted from the amounts. This does not affect orphans. The following are the amounts awarded:

Table listing names and amounts awarded for relief money, including Class 1, 2, and 3 recipients like Anny, Alvira, Andrews, etc.

OBITUARY.

Peter H. Levergood.

Peter H. Levergood, of Levergood street, died very suddenly Saturday morning. On Thursday evening he was at work burning brush on the rear of his lot, and while walking toward his residence, he fell unconscious. He was taken in the house, and, after rallying once, he grew steadily worse until he expired at 4 o'clock Saturday morning. Mr. Levergood was born in this city in 1834. He was the oldest son of Jacob Levergood and a brother of Susan, wife of Dr. William Caldwell; Mrs. Agnes Parker, deceased; Luther, of the firm of Fockler & Levergood; Mary, wife of George Fockler; William, dealer in tinware; Lucy, deceased; Jacob, the marble dealer, and Emma, the wife of Virgil C. Elder. His mother, Mrs. Agnes Parks, and Miss Lucy were drowned in the flood. His wife and five children survive. The names of the children are Laura, wife of Mr. Ed. Young; Charles, Edward, Maud and Ella. The funeral will take place to-day at 1 o'clock. The interment will be made in Grand View.

CAMBRIA BOROUGH.

Proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council Held Saturday Evening.

Council met Saturday evening in regular monthly session, and was called to order by the President at the usual hour. At roll call Messrs. Buser, Ream, Stein, Scheffauer, and the President, Mr. Bridges, answered to their names. Mr. Ellsworth was absent.

The minutes of the last regular, and the several special meetings were read and approved.

The Burgess reported to have received \$5.30 for fines and costs in the month of September:

The Treasurer reported to have received the following since his last report: E. Overdorf & Bro., for building permit, \$ 2.50 Saretz Bergeron, for building permit, 2.00 R. E. O'Neil, Burgess, for fines and costs, 5.30 Peter Dowling, as a loan, 60.00

The Treasurer also reported to a balance in the Treasury of \$689.85.

On motion of Mr. Stein, the report of the Burgess and Treasurer, were received and filed.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys reported that the work of filling up Front street, was progressing as good as could be expected.

Mr. Stein, from the Finance Committee, stated that the said committee had secured a loan of \$600, for a period of one year as authorized to do, from Peter Dowling.

On motion of Mr. Ream, the Clerk was instructed to issue an order of \$600, with legal interest for one year, payable to Peter Dowling, the said order to be due one year from date of receiving the said loan.

The following bills were then read: Wendell Meier, fifteen and nine-tenths days' work on streets, \$19.88 Louis Ducoty, twenty and one-half days' work on streets, 25.62 James Melvin, ten days' work on streets, 12.50 Joseph Annaker, two and one-half days' work on streets, 3.12 George Wagner, six days' work on streets, 7.50 George Blinnell, three days' work on streets, 3.75 Michael Curley, five days' work on streets, 6.25 E. O'Neill, Burgess' salary for September, and warrant paper, 18.75 Michael Sweeney, 19 days' police service in September, 31.66 Peter Culliton, two days' special police service in September, 3.00 Peter Culliton, seven meals to prisoners, 1.40 John Bridges, for posting bills, 50 John Scheffauer, for hauling 24 tons loads of gravel, etc., on Front street, and carting, up to October 8th, 57.30 Frank Salter, nineteen hours' work on sewer inlets, 5.70 John Sauer, for lumber, etc., 7.17

On motion of Mr. Stein, the foregoing bills were approved and orders drawn for the amounts named.

Two Bills of Alter & Marshall was then read, the one being for sundries to the amount of \$25.43, which was laid over, and the President instructed to appoint a special committee to investigate the same, and the other bill for a stove, glass, etc., amounting to \$13.85. On motion of Mr. Stein, was ordered to be paid.

The President appointed Messrs. Ream, and Scheffauer, as the Committee to investigate the above bill.

On motion of Mr. Stein, the sum of fifty cents was ordered to be paid to August White for opening up sewer drop.

On motion of Mr. Stein, the Street Commissioner was instructed to secure a surveyor to make a new grade on Walnut street.

On motion of Mr. Stein, Council adjourned.

Read the Law Before You Shoot.

By an act of the Legislature, approved April 25, 1889, the act of June 3, 1878, permitting the killing of quail or Virginia partridge between October 15 and January 1, has been amended, and it now reads as follows: "No person shall kill or expose for sale, or have in his possession after the same has been killed, any quail or Virginia partridge, between the 15th day of November next following, under a penalty of \$10 for each bird so killed, exposed for sale or had in his possession."

Gunners would do well to pay strict attention to this law, as there are a number of gentlemen in this city and county who are anxious that partridges are protected. They declare that they will see that the law is enforced to the letter.

By the act of 1881 rabbits can be shot only from November 1 to January 1.

Death Dealing Diphtheria at Gallitzin.

The following telegram has been received from Gallitzin: Diphtheria in its worst form is playing havoc with the lives of our little ones in this place. During the past two weeks the average number of deaths was three to four per day, and the doctors report at least fifty cases down with the disease in the town. Four families with six or seven little ones one month ago, now are childless from the sweeping fangs that fastened its death dealing substance upon their little ones. At the instance of a meeting of the borough council, which was called by Burgess Tom Burns for the purpose, a committee was appointed to investigate all cellars and inspect all drainage in order to prevent the ravage.

Death of Matilda Parrish.

Mrs. Matilda Parrish, wife of Wm. C. Parrish, and daughter of the late Edward Parrish, of Munster township, died at her home at Lilly's Station, Friday evening. She had been suffering for a number of weeks with typhoid fever, which finally culminated in consumption. The deceased was twenty-four years of age. She leaves a husband and two small children, who have the sincere sympathy of the whole community. He loses an exemplary and loving wife, the children an affectionate and devoted mother. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon at Lilly's Station.

To Raise a Donation.

The scholars of the Tyrone Public Schools are going to raise a donation for the schools of Johnstown.

Oh! The mud the terrible mud.