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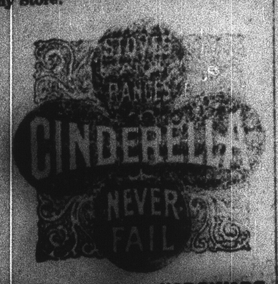

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS

Gleaned Here and There by the "Courier" Reporter.

MURDER AT GALLITZIN.

John Kendall Deliberately Kills His Father-in-Law.

John Kendall, of near Gallitzin, was lodged in jail at Ebensburg on Tuesday morning for killing his father-in-law, William Pritchard. The families of Pritchard and Kendall lived side by side in Marysville, a suburb of Gallitzin. There is not known to have been any differences between the families or the two men, and so far as the people of the neighborhood had observed their relations were pleasant.

Monday was selected by the Pritchards as moving day, and by 6 o'clock in the evening most of the household goods had been transferred to their new habitation. The two men had early in the day purchased a keg of beer. It had run dry, and a second keg which had been secured was almost empty by the hour mentioned, when an altercation arose over some trivial matter, the nature of which Kendall does not remember. Most of the Pritchard family had gone to their new home in a distant part of the town, and Mrs. Kendall urged her husband to go into the house. He finally did so and his father-in-law started for an outhouse, a little distance away.

In a short time Kendall came out again with a double-barreled shotgun. A neighbor woman, who was at a window, pleaded with him to give her the gun and not shoot. He refused, and turning the corner of the building met his father-in-law almost face to face about 12 feet away. Both men stopped and Kendall lifted his gun, and, murmuring something that could not be understood by the woman who had spoken to him a moment before, pulled the trigger. The report of the shot soon brought a large crowd to the scene of the tragedy, and it was found the contents of the gun had entered the right side of Pritchard's head, just above the ear, killing him instantly.

Tuesday morning Dr. Troxell held a post mortem examination upon the body of Pritchard and in the evening a coroner's jury, empanelled by 'Squire Parrish, conducted an inquest. It was decided that Kendall had murdered his father-in-law.

M. E. Conference Appointments.

The following are some of the appointments made by the Central Pennsylvania M. E. Conference for the Altoona district held at Clearfield last week: Ansonville, Job Truax; Bellwood, Samuel D. Wilson; Clearfield, Amos S. Baldwin; Coudersport and Irvona, G. T. Gray; Curwensville, John A. Wood, Jr.; Hastings, Geo. P. Boggs; Houtzdale, Benjamin B. Hamlin; Lumber City, Wilbert W. Cadue; Mahaffey, Hugh Strain; New Washington, Wm. J. Shaffer; Osceola, Wm. R. Pickin; Patton, Chas. W. Wasson; Philipsburg, Theophilis Tompkinson; Ramey, Henry A. Straub; Utahville, John T. Creek; Wallacetown, Frank W. Leidy; West Clearfield, Lyons M. Brady.

Grange at Spring.

The Grangers are expecting to hold an interesting county meeting at Loretto next Monday and Tuesday. The session on Monday evening will be open to the public, when an address will be delivered on "The relationship of farmers to coal miners and other wage workers" by Mr. T. A. Brauney, ex-President of District No. 2, Knights of Labor. Mr. John Ricketts, of Flinton Grange, will also address the meeting on "The dark and bright side of agriculture."

An Infant Expires.

Reginna Gearheart, the little five-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Gearheart, of Mellon avenue, died on Monday morning of pneumonia after a brief illness. Funeral services were held on Tuesday morning when her remains were laid to rest in the Catholic cemetery, east of town. The sorrowing parents have the heartfelt sympathy of their many friends in Patton.

First Base Ball Game.

Manager Wilson informs the COURIER that the first game of base ball of the season will be played in Patton on Saturday, May 8, 1897, between the Patton club and the Johnstown Athletic club. This promises to be a good game.

Ladies of Patton.

The ladies of Patton and vicinity are invited to attend the grand opening of Pattern Hats and Bonnets, New Spring Dress Goods, Ladies' Jackets, and Tailor-Made Suits at Quinn's, Johnstown, Pa., on April 7, 8 and 9th.

FIRE AT SPANGLER.

Hardware Store, Residence, Stable and the Post Office Consumed.

A fire which broke out in a smokehouse on the premises of Mr. E. M. Binder, at Spangler, Sunday morning at 3 o'clock, caused a loss of about $5,000.

The buildings destroyed were all the property of Mr. Binder. They consisted of his hardware store, which contained the post office; his residence, stable and outbuildings.

There was some powder stored in one of the buildings and this caused the people who turned out to fight the fire to be very wary, fearing an explosion. Little was saved, except some furniture from Mr. Binder's residence.

It was only by the most strenuous efforts that the mails were removed from the post office and saved. The registered and other valuable matter is in the safe and is supposed to be all right.

Mr. Binder carried $1,100 insurance in the Cambria Mutual Company, and about $1,200 in other companies.

CORRECT SITUATION

Of the Miners' Strike at Spangler—Reports Highly Colored.

The strike at the mine of the Clearfield Bituminous Coal Corporation, at Spangler, still continues, says the Sentinel. No miners have been at work since last Saturday and everything is quiet. The dispatch to the Johnstown Tribune, of Monday, and the dailies of the country on Tuesday in regard to the situation there was a highly colored affair. The strikers did not interfere with the men while working nor did they drive the mine superintendent and foreman from the work. In the evening while some of the workers were on their way home they were pursued by strikers and given a lively chase but no one was injured.

The miners at Anneston Mine No. 3, Barnesboro, are on a strike against a proposed reduction from 45 to 35 cents per ton. A meeting of the miners of that section was held Tuesday evening at Barnesboro, and at which they decided to stand by the strikers in the struggle.

Pastor Welcomed.

At the recent session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church Rev. Chas. W. Wasson was returned to Patton for the fifth year in accordance with the expressed desire of our people. The members of the Ladies' Aid Society arranged for a reception and pound social to welcome the pastor and his family when they returned. In accordance with the arrangement a committee met them at the train last Thursday evening, and escorted them to the church where a public reception was held (a pounding included). An excellent program consisting of music and recitations was rendered. Mr. W. H. Sandford spoke words of welcome to which the pastor responded. After this the people took the pastor and his excellent wife and little daughter by the hand and welcomed them back. The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion, and the evening was enjoyed by all.

Are Dissatisfied.

At a mass meeting of the bituminous miners of Philipsburg section Sunday, resolutions were adopted in favor of resisting the reduction in wages below the present scale and calling on the men who are now working below the scale to at once quit work. The resolutions further request miners in all these soft coal regions whose coal is shipped east to send a delegate to a general convention of the Pennsylvania bituminous miners which meets at Clearfield this week. The local coal operators claim that, unless they are able to reduce the cost of mining coal, they will close their mines until the price of coal advances.

Died at Altoona.

Mrs. Annie Egan, wife of William Egan, died at her home on Eleventh avenue, Altoona, last Thursday morning, of a complication of diseases. The deceased was a daughter of the late Joseph and Annie Conrad; she was born in Ashville, Cambria county, February 28, 1849, and was married in 1880 to Mr. William Egan, who with two sons, Leo and Walter, survives. Three brothers and three sisters also survive, one of the latter being Mrs. Mary I. Sproat, of Chest Springs, this county.

The Mahaffey Valley Wave says that on last Tuesday afternoon Dr. F. G. Bennett received two cans, each containing one thousand fish, from the U. S. Fish Commission, at Corry, Pa., which were immediately taken to Laurel run to stock that stream. It will be well to bear in mind that it will be unlawful to fish in waters thus supplied for three years. Notice to this effect have been posted along the stream.

COUNTY COMMITTEE MEET

At Ebensburg on Monday, March 29, at 1 p. m.

REPUBLICAN PRIMARY

To be Held May 1—Convention to be Held on Monday, May 3.

At a meeting of the Republican County Committee at Ebensburg on Monday the following important business was transacted, the report of which is taken from the Johnstown Daily Tribune.

At least three-fourths of the members of the Republican Committee of Cambria county were present when Chairmain Wertz called the meeting to order in the court house.

Immediately after the roll call Mr. Wertz offered his resignation, which was accepted by the Committee. When the matter of choosing a successor came up, Mr. Joel Gates, of White township, offered the name of Robert S. Murphy, of Johnstown, who was unanimously elected. On motion of Mr. S. C. Ream, of Johnstown, it was decided to hold the next County Convention on Monday, May 3rd, the primary elections to take place on the Saturday preceding.

The report of the Committee appointed under resolution of the County Convention of February, 1896, to revise the rules of the Republican party in the county, was made. This Committee consisted of the following persons: Geo. T. Swank, of Johnstown, chairmain; J. E. Dale, of Patton; Hon. S. D. Patterson, of Barr township; Augustus Bradimier and A. H. Walters of Johnstown. The report was received and referred to the next County Convention for action.

Mr. J. G. West, of Ferndale, moved that the thanks of the County Committee be tendered to the retiring chairman—George M. Wertz—for the able manner in which he conducted the last campaign, and it was heartily agreed to. Mr. Joel Gates, of White township, made a motion that the thanks of the County Committee also be extended to the Committee on Rules for the careful and methodical manner in which its work had been done. This was unanimously passed. This concluded the important business before the meeting, which was enthusiastic and harmonious throughout.

The new rules reported by the Committee mentioned above are as follows:

COUNTY COMMITTEE.

1. The members of the County Committee shall be selected at the regular primary election, and in the same manner that delegates to the County Convention are elected, and shall hold office for one year, or until their successors are elected.

2. Should the Republicans of any district fail, from any cause, to select a member of the County Committee, the regularly-elected delegates to the County Convention from such district shall appoint a person to serve. In case of vacancy, caused by resignation, death, or removal, the chairman of the County Committee shall select, from the district, a qualified person to fill the vacancy.

3. The officers of the Committee shall consist of a Chairman and Secretary.

4. The Chairman shall be elected by the County Convention and shall serve for one year.

5. The Chairman shall be, "ex-officio," Treasurer of the County Committee.

6. An Auditing Committee of three persons shall be appointed by the Chairman of the County Convention, to whom an accounting shall be made by the Chairman of the Committee, within ten days after the expiration of his term of office, and all funds on hand turned over to his successor.

CANDIDATES.

7. Any person will be eligible as a candidate for Republican nomination who has handed his name to the Chairman of the County Committee, or his authorized agent, who has paid the assessment prescribed by the rules, and pledged himself, in writing, to abide by the action of the primary election and Convention, twenty (20) days before the time fixed for holding the primary election, and has advertised himself as a candidate in at least three (3) Republican papers for that length of time.

8. The Chairman of the County Committee shall give each person complying with Rule No. 7 an official receipt, in the following form:

Received ——, Pa., ——, 189-, of —— Dollars, being the fee required by the Republican rules for candidates for the office of —— at Convention to be held —— 189-.

Chairman of County Committee.

9. The fees for candidates shall be as follows: President Judge, $100; Congress, $50; State Senate, $25; Assembly, $15; Treasurer, $50; Sheriff, $75; Prothonotary, $40; Register and Recorder, $40; District Attorney, $40; County Commissioner, $10; Jury Commissioner, $2; Coroner, $5; County Surveyor, $2; Poor Director, $2; County Auditor, $2; Delegate to National convention, $5, Delegate to State convention, $2.

PRIMARY ELECTIONS.

10. The primary elections shall be held at the regular polling places of the several districts, on the Saturday next preceding the date for holding the county convention. If the regular polling place is not available, a suitable place shall be selected by the committeeman, but the place selected must be within the boundary of the election district.

11. Notice of the date of holding the primary elections shall be given by the chairman of the county committee, in all the Republican papers of the county, in, at least, two consecutive weekly issues, prior to the date of the convention.

12. The election officers shall consist of a judge and two inspectors. The committeeman shall act as judge and the inspectors shall be chosen by the Republican voters from among their number present at the time for opening the polls. In the absence or incapacity of the committeeman, the Republican voters present shall select the entire board.

13. The hours for holding the primary elections shall be as follows: In all townships from 3 to 7 o'clock p. m., and in boroughs and cities from 4 to 7 o'clock p. m.

14. The primary elections shall be conducted in conformity with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the chairmain of the county committee shall see that a copy of said law is furnished to each committeeman.

15. Any person who voted the entire Republican ticket at the last election, at which National, State, or county candidates were voted for, and who will pledge himself to support the nominees of the next Republican county convention, and also all persons between the ages of twenty-one and twenty two years, who will be entitled to vote by law at the next general election following, and who will also pledge themselves to vote for the nominees of the convention, shall have their vote recorded. If a person, claiming the right to vote, shall be challenged, he shall be sworn by the judge of elections in the form herto attached: I, ——, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I voted the entire Republican ticket at the last fall election, and that I will support the nominees of the ensuing Republican convention.

In case the voter, through any disability, did not vote at the preceding election, then the words "that I voted the entire Republican ticket at the last fall election" can be stricken out.

16. Tickets shall be provided for each election district by the chairman of the county committee, containing the names of all persons who have complied with the rules in regard to candidates, and no other tickets shall be used or counted.

17. The tickets shall be printed in the same form as those used at the general elections, with the names of the candidates in the order in which they were filed. A mark in the square to the right of a name shall indicate the voter's choice. Space shall be left for voters to insert names of their choice for delegates to the county convention and committeeman. For this purpose a name may be written or stickers used. Each committeeman shall be furnished with tickets double in number the votes cast for the last Republican candidate for President in his district.

18. A numbered list of voters shall be kept, and each ballot cast have a number marked thereon to agree with the list.

19. The persons receiving the highest number of votes of such district, and the delegates elected shall be considered to vote for said persons as long as their names are before the convention.

20. All papers, ballots, etc., shall remain in possession of the committeeman and by him sealed and delivered to the chairman of the county committee, and, unless called for by the convention, destroyed by the chairmain, without the seal being broken.

COUNTY CONVENTION.

21. The county convention shall be held at the county seat on the fourth Monday of June of each year, except in years when a National ticket is to be voted for, when the convention shall be called at least two weeks prior to the date for holding the State convention.

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NEWS FROM WASHINGTON

From a Special Correspondent to the "Courier."

WORK ON THE TARIFF

Bill Goes the Monetary Commission Formally "Pigeon Off" by Speaker Reed.

Washington, March 29, 1897.—It is to be regretted that the debate on the Dingley tariff bill, which good or bad is to be passed by the House this week, could not have been conducted on the actual merits or demerits of the duties which are to be imposed by that measure, instead of degenerating into a partisan wrangle in which both Democrats and Republicans tried to show that the "other party" is responsible for the existence and encouragement of trusts, as it has done. Partisan accusations seldom influence the intelligent citizen, who may of ten be made to change his opinion by calm argument backed with proofs. Some day perhaps we may have that sort of tariff debate in Congress, but truth compels the statement that there hasn't been one of that kind up to this time.

A committee from the Indianapolis monetary convention of last year called upon Speaker Reed several days ago in the interests of the talked-of bill for the appointment of a monetary commission by the President, which it will be remembered was indorsed by that convention. Mr. Reed did not commit himself, but he left his callers under the impression that he did not think the country was especially hankering after a currency commission, and that Congress did not as a rule act upon such questions until the sentiment of the country had unmistakably made itself known. He told them that the tariff was the first and principal work set out by this Congress, and they left Washington without much hope for their bill, at this session anyway.

The Post Office Department threw a bomb among the politicians when it announced that "offensive partisanship" would not be sufficient cause for the removal of a postmaster, unless shown to have been detrimental to the business of the Postal service. This is a continuation of the policy of the last administration, like the four year term for all postmasters.

If President McKinley lives up to his announced intention not to appoint those who held office under Harrison and who are now applicants for the same positions, he has made a big cut in the roll of applicants; but those who have a strong pull are still in the field and some of them will doubtless get appointed rule or no rule. No President has ever been able to live up to an ironclad rule in the matter of appointments, and it is not at all probable that a man who is anxious for the good will of Senators and Representatives as President McKinley has shown himself to be, will do so, but the rule will be used to shut out a great many of them.

Easter Millinery Opening.

The Easter millinery opening of William F. Gable & Co., Altoona, Pa., will take place on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 1st, 2d, and 3rd. This will undoubtedly be the greatest event of the season in millinery circles, and all ladies that can make it suit to make a shopping trip to this great store on one of these days, will see a sight that will repay them for a much longer journey. More than a thousand pattern hats will be on exhibition.

May be a Candidate.

At a meeting of the "Seventy-six" in Harrisburg last week Senator William Flinn offered a resolution calling on John Wanamaker to become a candidate for State Treasurer, and it was unanimously adopted. The meeting was held at the rooms of the Business Men's League. Representative McFarlane, of Allegheny, was appointed one of a committee to convey the resolution to Mr. Wanamaker.

Heavy Coal Contract.

The Berwind-White coal mining company have recently closed a contract with the Mexican Central railroad for 100,000 tons of coal. This quantity of coal is to moved within a year, beginning from April 1. The Manson steamship company it is understood, have arranged with the coal company to freight the above contract from Philadelphia to Tampico. Parties competent to judge value place this contract at upwards of $300,000.

Return Thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gearheart, of Mellon avenue, wishes, through the columns of this paper, to thank the friends who so kindly assisted them during the illness and death of their daughter, Reginna.