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THE COUNTY STATEMENT.

In another column will be found a synopsis of the annual county statement, and below are some calculations and comparisons with our sister counties Wayne and Monroe, in the matter of cost of officials.

Taking the amounts paid out in the respective counties as a basis of calculation, the percentage of cost for commissioners and treasurer is, in Wayne 6.24, Monroe 4.90, Pike 16.20, or put it in another way, in Pike it takes over 25 cents from every man woman and child in the county to pay these same officials.

The treasurer's total commissions were \$1,568.68. The total to the county commissioners was \$1,652.67. Wayne has twenty-eight different collectors and thirty-seven election districts with a population of 31,010.

The question of good roads is agitating Northampton county, and there are many pros and cons. The recent flood bears testimony in many places, that in the end stone roads though expensive at first are far less costly in the end.

Judge Simonton, of Despuhin county has eliminated one Democratic vote from Harrisburg. One Wilhelm Snyder was judge at a primary election held in the Second Ward. He has for years been an active party worker, and at this election refused legal votes, violated

the provision relating to taking and administering the oath, and did other wrong things, for which suit was brought against him. He was convicted and sentenced to pay a fine of \$50, the costs and be deprived of the right to vote for four years. This last punishment the court said was called for by the Constitution and purpose being to make those who illegally deprive others of their rights of suffrage to suffer in the same manner. This is wholesome law and should be kept in mind by election officers.

SYNOPSIS OF COUNTY STATEMENT.

Table of interest to the Tax Payers of Pike County. Includes items like Balance on hand, Cash received of Collectors, and various financial entries.

Sheriff D. D. Newman collected jury fees, \$12 and paid same to treasurer. Wallace Newman, collector, expenses were \$400, and registering voters, \$417. Hedges building, \$1,000, and repairs, \$100. Printing, \$1,447.10. Printing, \$690.35. State tax, \$1,911.96. Election expenses, \$208.94. Notes and interest, \$1,978.35.

A brief comparison with our sister counties, Wayne and Monroe, may not be uninteresting to the tax payers of Pike. In Wayne county the total receipts charged the treasurer are \$81,611.06 and he is credited with paying \$51,613.55.

Pike charges her treasurer with \$16,060.25 and credits him with \$14,886.80 and his commissions were \$764.22. The county commissioners took \$1,648.83. Bridge building and repairs cost \$1,558.52. Pike has twelve collectors and twelve election districts with a population of 9,412.

At the session of the American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers held in New York last week the majority opinion expressed was, that air heating will very soon supersede steam and hot water systems in dwellings. If the dust and ashes nuisance could be eliminated from hot air furnaces, this method certainly would keep the air in the rooms much purer.

The even tenor of the Rev. Dr. Talmage's life has been interrupted recently by a difference with his copastor in Washington. This gentleman does not seem to appreciate the necessity for his stepping down and out through the congregation doors. In the meantime he is doing what he can to make it unpleasant for Dr. Talmage by accusing the great orator of hypocrisy and trying to entrap him.

FIFTY-FOURTH CONGRESS.

Summary of the Proceedings in the Senate and House.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—In the senate a resolution was offered by the committee on foreign affairs recommending the recognition of the Cuban insurgents as belligerents. Mr. Vest denounced Secretary Morton for not distributing free seeds, as directed by congress. In the house a bill was passed prohibiting prize fights, bull fights, etc., in the territories of the United States and District of Columbia.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—The president approved the Cuban anti-prize fighting bill, which is now a law. In the senate Mr. Fry was unanimously elected president pro tem. Mr. Allen spoke on the Monroe doctrine. The resolution to divide the work of the appropriations committee among several special committees was passed. In the house the debate on the silver bill was continued.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—In the senate yesterday Mr. Smith spoke on the Monroe doctrine. Mr. Cameron introduced a resolution favoring recognition of Cuban independence. Mr. Nelson made an appeal to the Secretary of Agriculture in relation to the distribution of seeds.

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EXECUTORS' SALE.

On Monday, March 2nd, 1896 at two o'clock p. m. at the New York Hotel in Lackawanna, Pike county, Pa., the executor of the estate of George C. Shannon, deceased, will sell to the highest bidder the valuable property known as the JOEL SHANNON FARM.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

In the Orphan's Court of Pike county, Estate of GEORGE C. SHANNON, deceased. The undersigned, executor of said estate, by the court to take further evidence and find who are the legal heirs of said deceased entitled to receive the balance in hands of the administrator, George Geyer, as shown by former report and report distribution of said balance to wit: the sum of \$1,558.52, &c., will attend to the duties of his appointment and meet the parties interested in said estate on Thursday the 27th day of February A. D. 1896 at 2 o'clock p. m. at his office, corner Ann and Third streets, in Milford, Pa., when and where all parties interested therein, are required to present and prove their claims to be debared from, over from participating in said fund, or coming in upon the same.

WEYLER AT HAVANA.

THE NEW CAPTAIN GENERAL TAKES THE OATH OF OFFICE.

HAVANA, Feb. 11.—The Spanish cruiser Alfonso XIII with General Weyler, the newly appointed captain general and commander in chief of the Spanish forces in Cuba, on board, has arrived. As the warship passed Morro castle she was saluted by the guns of that fortress, and she proceeded to be welcomed by thunders of artillery from the Cabana fortress and the dipping of flags and other greetings from the ships in the harbor.

General Weyler, who was accompanied by Generals Lergas, Ardet and the Marquis de Alameda, the latter having been designated by the queen regent to be second to General Weyler in command, disembarked shortly before noon and was met by the civil and military officers, who escorted him to the palace. The streets were lined with men and women, and the entire city was decorated with flags, hunting and lovers.

General Weyler proceeded on foot from the landing to the palace, where he at once took the oath of office as captain general of Cuba. After this ceremony the new governor and commander in chief held a reception in the palace, receiving the leading citizens of Cuba, a number of grandees of Spain, the heads of the various commercial bodies, the leaders of the political parties and the foreign consuls.

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THE BOND ISSUE.

Government Securities Readily Taken by the People at a Good Price.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—The treasury officials have completed the computation of the bids received for the new bond issue, from which it appears that the amount of the bids above that of J. P. Morgan and his associates is \$10,887,000, and that the amount which will be awarded to the syndicate will be \$38,811,000, or approximately one-third of the whole issue. The number of successful bidders is 73.

NEW YORK LEGISLATURE.

Proceedings of the Senate and Assembly at Albany.

ALBANY, Feb. 7.—The senate passed the Husted railroad franchise bill by a vote of 34 to 12. The assembly, after a heated discussion, passed Robbins' resolution, similar to the one offered by Senator Canfield in the senate the previous day, relative to the attorney general making an investigation of the report that a combination is seeking to raise the price of coal.

SHEA PUT TO DEATH.

ROBERT ROSS' MURDERER PAYS THE PENALTY OF HIS CRIME.

Walked Firmly to the Electric Chair and Was Speedily Killed by the Current. He Insisted That He Was Innocent and the Trial Was Unfair.

DANVER, N. Y., Feb. 12.—Bartholomew Shea, who was put to death in the electric chair at Clinton prison for the murder of Robert Ross at Troy, protested his innocence to the last. Just before he took the chair he handed the attendant a letter for the Troy Press, in which he said: "I wish to say also that I do not think that I had a fair trial and the people need extraordinary means to bring about my conviction through the prejudice of the committee of public safety. And as to some of the witnesses that testified against me, that one Lanzetta's testimony in regard to the way I shot Robert Ross was false, and also Mrs. Titus, who swore that she saw six men standing near a barn with a man, whom they claimed to be a politician, who was urging us to go ahead and earn money, that was also false, as nothing of the kind ever took place."

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The senate passed the bill to amend the act relating to the death of Robert Ross and the sorrow of his family and the gloom that is cast over them and my own family than myself. There was no exceptional incident attending the execution. The condemned man met his fate with calmness and with no apparent weakness. The current was turned on for one minute and 21 seconds, the highest voltage being 1,800.

NEWBURYPORT, Mass., Feb. 10.—The three masted schooner Florida went ashore at Salsburgh beach, with seven men clinging to the rigging. The schooner struck a rock and was driven a mile up the beach through the breakers. She struck head on the spruce came out, and she went to pieces. Of the crew washed ashore were: Charles Campbell, aged 27, single, of Old Town, Me.; Albert Collier, aged 22, of Corderoy, N. F.; George Keefe, aged 21, of Newfoundland, all seamen, and Andrew Nelson, aged 29, of Brooklyn, N. Y., a cook.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 10.—The Press this morning publishes an appeal to the American people, signed by President Cleveland and craving recognition for the insurgents. Says the appeal: "All we wish now is to be looked upon by the government of the United States as men and soldiers fighting for their right. We do not wish to appear in the eyes of the world like bandits and robbers."

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12.—Another destructive fire has occurred in the lumber districts. An explosion from unknown cause started a fire in the big 250 by 60 foot four story brick building on Albany street, owned by the Cambridge Improvement company and leased by the Boston Woven Hose company as a storage warehouse. A gale was blowing, and soon the building was a raging furnace, and pieces of burning timbers were carried in all directions. The large harness factory of Badger & Co., which caught fire on the roof, was completely burned and the valuable stock badly soaked.

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THE QUEEN'S SPEECH.

HER MAJESTY'S ADDRESS AT THE OPENING OF PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—The queen's speech, read at the opening of parliament today, is the most important document that has emanated from the throne in many years, touching as it does upon the various complications in Great Britain's foreign relations. In the course of the address the queen said: "I continue to receive from other powers the assurances of their friendly sentiments."

Regarding the Turkish situation, the queen said: "The commission for the delimitation of the frontier, which separates my Indian empire and Afghanistan from Russia have agreed upon a line which has been accepted by myself and the emperor of Russia. The government of the United States have expressed a wish to co-operate in bringing to a close the difficulties which have existed for many years between my government and the republic of Venezuela regarding the boundary between that country and British Guiana. I have expressed my sympathy with the desire to come to an equitable arrangement, and I trust that further negotiations will lead to a satisfactory settlement."

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ELLIOTT ELECTED.

The Boston Man Succeeds Willson as President of the L. A. W.

BAITING, Feb. 12.—Sterling Elliott of Boston was elected president of the League of American Wheelmen, the official vote being 104 to 80 for A. C. Willson, the present incumbent. Louisville was selected by the convention as the place in which to hold the next annual midsummer meet.

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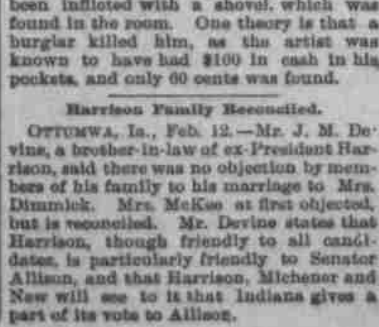
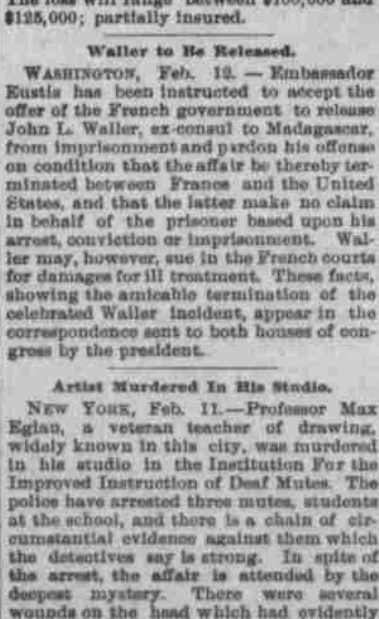
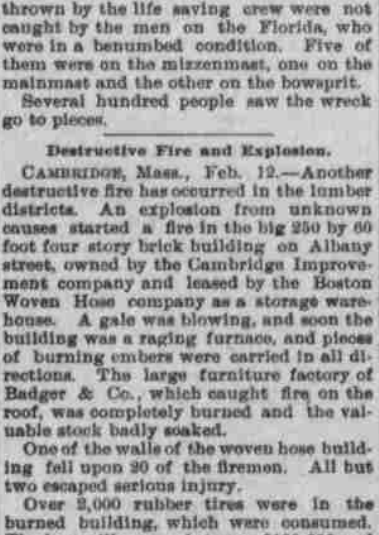
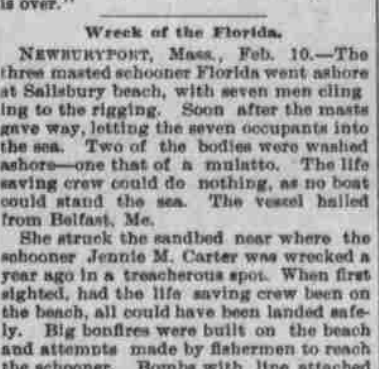
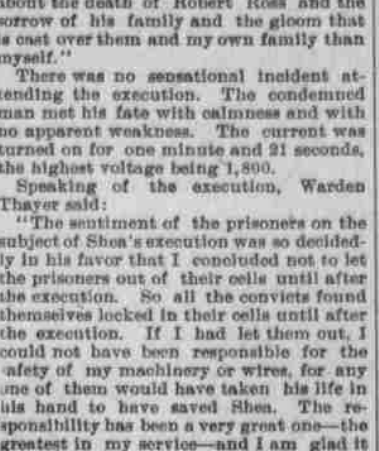
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