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## THE TURNPIKE LOSES.

**The Superior Court Sustains Lower Court.**  
The Superior Court at Pittsburg last week filed an opinion in the matter of the proceedings to condemn the nineteen miles of the Chambersburg and Bedford Turnpike lying between Bedford and the Fulton county line at the top of Rays Hill. This is regarded, says the Hawkeye, as a great victory for the citizens of Bedford county.

This proceeding was started in October, 1900, and was contested on the part of the Turnpike Company at every step and every technicality resorted to known to the law, to delay the final determination of the case. A month or more was spent in getting a jury of view and men of the highest integrity and best judgment were finally selected. Martin V. Zeth, of Hopewell; James L. Tenley, of Broad Top; Oliver P. Ross, of Saxton; Jacob Clark, of Mann's Choice; and James M. Kennell, of Londonderry; with Frank Fletcher, Esq., as master, sat for weeks taking the testimony and hearing arguments of counsel. The report of the jury of view was filed to February term, 1901, condemning the road and fixing the damages at \$5,087.50. Numerous exceptions were filed to the report of the jury attacking the rulings of the master on the admission of testimony and his charge to the jury of view on the question of damages. A day was devoted to the argument of the exceptions before the court and July, 1901, the court filed an opinion reviewing the exceptions in toto and confirming the report.

From this record a certiorari was taken to the Superior Court by the Turnpike Company and an effort made to set aside the proceedings the same reasons being urged as upon the original exceptions to the report of the jury of view. The paper books filed by the Turnpike Company contained all the testimony taken in the case and an exhaustive review of the whole case on the question of damages and that of condemnation. The book contained about six hundred pages. The paper book on behalf of the people contained about thirty-five pages and was to the point on all questions raised.

The case was argued before the Superior Court in November last in Philadelphia.

The opinion of the court was written by Judge Orady and affirms the proceedings setting at rest the question of condemnation and holding that the court ruled properly on the question of damages.

This proceeding was instituted for over three hundred people, taxpayers of the county, by Daniel S. Horn, Esq., their attorney, and afterward Hon. John M. Reynolds was taken in as associate counsel in case; both labored hard for the successful termination of this cause and it is regarded as one of the most notable legal victories in the litigation of this county for years.

The Everett Republican says: "In order that our readers may not be misled and impressed with the idea that they will no longer be required to pay toll it is proper to add that the end is not yet; that before that desired ultimatum will be obtained the requirements pointed out by Judge Bailey in his clear opinion delivered in the case of the Commonwealth vs. E. Edward Smith, will have to be carried out, to wit: The matter of the appeal by the company from the assessment of damages allowed by the jury of view will have to be tried in the county courts, to the verdict thus obtained an appeal will be to the higher court, after which the whole matter must be submitted to the Bedford County Court for final adjudication. From this it will be seen that much time must yet elapse before the road will be free from tolls.

Fulton county people have been watching this contest with much interest, and a victory for Bedford county people will make it easy to unload the turnpike in this county.

## From Noel Mathias.

We were very agreeably surprised a few days ago to get a letter from Noel L. Mathias of Hustontown, who has been for some time confined in the State Insane Asylum at Harrisburg. There is nothing about his well written letter, to indicate that he is not all right mentally; indeed, if his letter is to be taken as a standard, then we have received a whole lot of letters from people who ought to be congratulating themselves that they are not where Noel is.

Here is part of his letter which shows that he is still keeping in touch with his home county:

"As a friend and former student of yours, I write to ask a favor.

As this is the year for the election of County Superintendent, and as I am here in the State Asylum, please send me a copy or so of your paper, The Fulton County News, containing information as to who may be candidates for the office in Fulton county.

A Mr. W. A. Lindsay, who is a patient here in our ward, and has served as county superintendent in one of the counties.

Please favor me with a copy or two and when I get out I will do a favor for you.

As to the Asylum in which I am, I am treated very nicely, and can go out on parole with any other parole patient when I wish to.

During the winter there was a ball held here of dancing and waltzing every Wednesday evening. I attended but did not take a part in them.

It is a nice place around here, and the time passes off very rapidly, but I miss the church services and secret order—the P. O. S. of A. I still help in the song service here in our Ward No. 5.

I can sit at my room window, or out upon the lawn, and see the trains passing by on the railroad.

If you get to the city call around to see me.

I send you and all my acquaintances my best respects.

Resp. yours,  
NOEL L. MATHIAS.

## Needmore.

The most prevalent things are candidates, fire, and whooping cough.

Last Saturday night about midnight the neighbors were aroused by the ringing of a dinner bell, when to their horror they saw the fire being driven, by the unusually high wind, toward Elder C. L. Funk's and Mr. Jonas Mellott's buildings. It was sweeping fences and every thing before it.

The stock was removed from the barns and it was only by quick work and careful management that the buildings alone were saved. The fire originated from where Mr. Evans and Mr. Hess were burning some brush.

Miss Anna V. Culler after finishing a successful term of school at Cross Roads left for her new home at Johnstown last week.

Rev. S. L. Baugher preached at the Christian church and in Whips Cove last Sunday.

Mr. Silas Morgret, our candidate for county commissioner has been very unwell for the last few days.

Mr. Levi P. Morton is finishing the public school at this place.

The "Normal and Select School" began on Monday with an attendance of twenty six. More are expected by the middle of the week.

Mr. P. N. Runyan has gone to Huntingdon and Clearfield counties where he expects to spend some time.

We notice in last week's News that "Traveling Observer" has given vent to his feelings in a way that is rather amusing to our citizens and we have only to compare his "Are facts" about our village with the statements he gives concerning railroads to see the "fishy" side of his information.

"What would you do if you woke up some morning to find that you had inherited a million dollars?"

"I'd turn over on the other side and try to dream it again."—Chicago Record Herald.

## Who'll Be It?

The seventeenth triennial election to fill the office of county Superintendent will be held in the Court House in this place next Tuesday afternoon beginning at 1 o'clock.

The election of the first county superintendent for this county was held in May 1854, and Rev. Robert Ross, a Methodist preacher, was elected and his salary fixed at \$100 a year. So well satisfied were the people with Rev. Ross's administration that, in 1857, he was re-elected, and his salary doubled. Mr. Ross had his eye on the prothonotaryship, and offered himself as a candidate that same summer, and in the fall was elected prothonotary to succeed McFadden.

Mr. Ross now dropped the superintendency, and John S. Robinson was appointed; but after serving part of the term, he became tired of it, and George A. Smith, then a young law student, saw in it an opportunity to become acquainted with the people of the county, took the office off Robinson's hands and finished the term, which of course, ended in 1860. Wm. A. Gray of Wells Valley was then elected and served one term. J. Frank Davis of McConnellsburg succeeded Mr. Gray in 1863, and served part of the term, when he found it didn't pay, and handed it over to John A. Woodcock, of Wells, who completed the term. In 1866, Amos S. Smith and Hiram Winter were candidates. Smith was a lawyer and won, and then sold out to Winter who didn't even hold a professional certificate. Three years later Winter was a candidate for re-election, but was defeated by Wm. P. Gordon. Owing to the fact that, in the meantime, the standard of qualification for the office had been raised, Mr. Gordon was found to be ineligible, (and so would have been Mr. Winter had it not been that he had held the office) and Mr. Winter received the commission which he held to 1881.

In 1881 the contest lay between Jacob W. Mellott and H. H. Woodal. Mr. Woodal was elected, but like some of those before him, he was not sufficiently qualified to make him eligible. Through the influence of some of his friends who had a "pull" he was allowed to take an examination before the State Superintendent, and take a course at a State Normal.

Woodal was a "natural born" teacher and in recognition of his worth, as an official he was given the office the third time.

Mr. Woodal completed his nine years in 1881, and was succeeded by Joseph F. Barton, who served six years, and he was followed by B. W. Peck, who served two terms.

The minimum salary was now made \$1000, and the present incumbent, Clem Chesnut, is just completing his third term, and is a candidate for re-election. The other candidates are, we believe, B. C. Lamberson, of Hustontown; B. N. Palmer, of Needmore; Emery Thomas and L. H. Wible of McConnellsburg, and C. E. Barton at present connected with the C. V. State Normal School.

So far as qualification, and teaching experience and ability go, it is seldom that five more capable men happen in a race at the same time; but as it is not the purpose of this article to influence a single director in making his choice next Tuesday, we shall not open our mouth farther for fear we get our foot in it.

## Hoyt M. Hays.

A cloud of deep sorrow descended at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hays of this place, last Wednesday evening, when the spark of life of their little son Hoyt, aged two years, nine months and twenty-five days, was extinguished. Hoyt was an unusually precocious child, and a general favorite; and their many friends sincerely sympathize with the family in their sore bereavement.

## Which Is Right?

In an article in the "News" two or three weeks ago, "Patronize Your Home Merchants," the writer wants to know who helps most in time of sickness, or when out of work and money, the home merchant, or John Wanamaker, Montgomery, Ward & Co., Sears & Roebuck and a few others.—Now, I wish to ask the reader to decide which is best—to deal with the home merchant when he charges such high prices for the things you are compelled to have that your income will not keep you, or send away for your goods, when by so doing you can save as much as the storekeeper's profit would be. Is it not a free country? And I leave it to the reader if a five dollar bill is not worth just as much to the customer as it is to the home merchant, then when your little girl is sick, you are that much ahead towards paying the Doctor's bill. I have nothing against the storekeepers in general, when they are willing to let the customers have a little profit and be satisfied with a fair profit themselves.

Then I say if they have what you need, patronize the home merchants. I believe in live and let live, and as to their going out of the way to accommodate you, I am inclined to believe from past experience that some of them will sit up about as little with you when you are sick as Hibbard, Spencer & Barret, and I also know from experience that when out of a job and out of money the home merchant will sometimes trust you just as far as Montgomery Ward & Co.

Now they are not all that way, and I say when your home merchant treats you right stick to him; otherwise deal where you can do the best and get the most for the least money.

## New Grenada.

Harvey Nelson and B. N. Palmer were the "fence builders" working in this township last week.

Dick Truax came near losing his dwelling on Tuesday by fire. It started on the roof from a flue and burned most of one side of the roof off, when the timely assistance of neighbors succeeded in extinguishing the flames.

Alice Grissinger is engaged in teaching music. She has a larger number of pupils than during any previous term.

Jacob S. Black is carrying his arm in a sling—cause: strain of muscles and ligaments from heavy plastering.

Dr. Rowe McClain and son Master Fred, drove over from Cassville on Thursday. The Doctor was looking up telephone business of the proposed line from Cassville to New Grenada which is already begun and partly erected. He is president of the new company.

Sam Dock's show here next Saturday. The boys can now begin to save their pennies.

D. D. G. M. Harry K. Markley, accompanied by Geo. W. Fisher, both of Warfordsburg, installed the officers of Waterfall lodge, No. 773, I. O. O. F. at New Grenada, last Friday night, as follows: N. G., Ed A. Alloway; V. G., Scott Bolinger; secretary, L. L. Cunningham; treasurer, Jacob S. Black; W. A. D. Bergstresser; Chaplain, Wm. Alloway; R. S. to N. G., W. O. Fields; L. S. to N. G., N. H. Alloway; R. S. to V. G., Foster Bolinger; L. S. to V. G., Abram Cutchel; S. S., Richard Alloway and Morgan Watkin; O. G., Frank Thomas; I. G., John Troy; Con., Roswell Stains.

On Saturday night Mr. Markley installed the officers of Wells Valley lodge No. 807, when a number of "Goat-tamers" from New Grenada were also present.

William Fritchey and family, of Huntingdon, Pa., moved to the O. E. Cook farm near our village last week.

Verna Parson of Ft. Littleton, left home on Saturday to work at Huntingdon.

## A Birthday Party.

On Tuesday afternoon a very pleasant birthday party was given at Clear Ridge by the children of the community, at the home of John A. Henry, it being in honor of Mr. Henry's youngest daughter Miss Lillian's eleventh birthday.

The company consisted of Misses Irene and Edna Kerlin, Dora, Nedie, and Hilda Baker; Edith Denisar, Lois Huston, Bessie Fields, Corinna and Blanche Bedford, Edith Ramsey, Mary Parks, and Masters Scott Ramsey, Smith and Rush Henry; David and Lloyd Fleming; Amos Huston, Owen Anderson, James Baker.

The waiters were Misses Elsa Baker, Carrie Henry, Lulu Kerlin and Lulu Brown, who served to the little folks an abundance of ice cream, cake, bananas, &c.

When the time came for them to leave for their respective homes Mr. Henry called them into his office and presented to each an envelope, telling them not to open it until they reached home. You may imagine what anxious hearts theirs were at that time for home wishing to know what their envelopes contained. On reaching home it was found that he had presented each of the children with five cents, for which he will long be remembered by the little people. Miss Lillian received many presents of various kinds. The guests extend many thanks to Mr., Mrs., and Miss Henry for their kindness and ability to entertain.

## Advertising Pays.

The Editor and Publisher newspaper says that "John Wanamaker pays over \$1,000 a day for just advertising his Philadelphia store. He uses a page a day in five daily newspapers in that city. They are as follows: Press, \$60,000; Ledger, \$60,000; Times, \$50,000; North American \$75,000, and Evening Telegraph, \$50,000. Up to a few months ago Mr. Wanamaker was using a page in the Record at the rate of \$87,500 a year, which would have made an annual expenditure of \$382,500. When he wanted to renew his advertising contract with the Record, the publishers asked \$25,000 more, or a total of \$112,500. Mr. Wanamaker refused to pay the amount, thinking that no one else would pay that sum for the page. The proposition was made to Lit Brothers, who accepted the contract without a moment's hesitation, and they are now paying the enormous sum of \$112,500 for the use of the page for one year.

The above contracts are for Wanamaker's Philadelphia stores but the above amount is not all he pays out in that way for them. He advertises in towns contiguous to the city for them. He probably expends a great deal more money in advertising his New York store in that city, besides all the towns between New York City and Philadelphia are covered. It is a question which store should be charged with the intermediate, advertising, as doubtless part of the custom is taken to one city by it and part to the other.

Evidently advertising pays Wanamaker: it is certain it pays the Newspapers.

## A Revelation.

If you will make inquiry it will be a revelation to you how many succumb to kidney or bladder troubles in one form or another. If the patient is not beyond medical aid, F. J. Jey's Kidney Cure will cure. It never disappoints. All dealers.

Foley's Honey and Tar contains no opiates and can safely be given to children. All dealers.

What Thin Folks Need. Is a greater power of digesting and assimilating food. For them Dr. King's New Life Pills work wonders. They tone and regulate the digestive organs, gently expel all poisons from the system, enrich the blood, improve appetite, make healthy flesh. Only 25c at W. S. Dickson's.

## \$200.00 Reward!

The Town council of McConnellsburg hereby offer a reward of two hundred dollars for the arrest and conviction of the party or parties implicated in firing property of citizens of said borough.

HENRY W. SCOTT,  
Wm. HULL, Burgess.  
Clerk.

The following correspondence, ending in true Irish fashion, actually passed between two men in England some years ago:

"Mr. Thompson presents his compliments to Mr. Simpson and begs to request that he will keep his dogs from trespassing on his grounds."

"Simpson presents his compliments to Mr. Thompson and begs to suggest that in the future he should not spell 'dogs' with two gees."

"Mr. Thompson's respects to Mr. Simpson and will feel obliged if he will add the letter 'e' to the last word in this note just received, so as to represent Mr. Simpson and lady."

"Mr. Simpson returns Mr. Thompson's note unopened, the impertinence it contains being only equalled by its vulgarity."

A young Germantown mother in putting her five year-old son to bed noticed that he clambered under the covers without saying his prayers. She grew reproachful. "Why, Warren, mother never knew you to forget your prayers before."

"Indeed, mother," was the reply, "I didn't forget. Grace and I said them for four nights during the rain yesterday, when we couldn't play. We would have got through the whole week if nurse had not come to dress."

## Holds Up A Congressman.

"At the end of the campaign," writes Champ Clark, Missouri's brilliant congressman, "from overwork, nervous tension, loss of sleep and constant speaking I had about utterly collapsed. It seemed that all the organs in my body were out of order, but three bottles of Electric Bitters made me all right. It's the best all-around medicine ever sold over a druggist's counter." Overworked, run-down men, and weak, sickly, women, gain splendid health and vitality from Electric Bitters. Try them. Only 50c. Guaranteed by W. S. Dickson.

"Do you take that man to be your wedded husband?" asked the justice of the peace.

"I don't know whether to do it or not, squire," said the young woman, wiping her eyes. He's got the money from me to pay for the license. I don't like to marry a man of that kind, and yet I hate to see \$2 wasted."—Chicago Tribune.

Mr. Obed T. Mellott was in town Saturday; and while nearly 68 years of age he looks like one much younger in years. He has been a man capable of doing a great deal of hard work in his time. He has been especially skillful in the use of the ax. A few years ago he was out with a party of wood choppers in Cambria county; and while he didn't think eleven cords of wood a day, any "great shakes" he and a Mr. Butler let themselves "out" one morning, and when eight came he had a rank of twelve cords; but the other fellow had twelve and a half. As they were getting 45 cents a cord their day's earning was not so bad.

John Turner, a tramp who has spent about three months tenting in an old house belonging to Jno. A. Henry on Clear Ridge, taught school a number of years in this state and in other states. He graduated and carries a diploma both as a physician and a dentist. He can quote correctly any passage of scripture you call for, and yet, now in his old age, it requires the neighbors to see that he gets enough of the necessities of life to keep him living.

## Urges Instruction in Morality.

It is hard for the American citizen to have to listen to such words as were uttered by the chief representative of the "Heathen Chinese" in this country, Mr. Wang Ting-Fang, and not be able to refute the stigma they contain. He said in Philadelphia on Wednesday night of last week after praising some things in connection with the public school system of the United States:

"But, there is something lacking, unless I am grievously mistaken. Your system is devoted to mental training; you teach reading, writing, arithmetic, some languages, some dead languages; why don't you teach them Chinese? But is this enough? These subjects will, no doubt, make a boy or girl a useful member of the community, but are they enough to make them good members of society? I think they should be taught morality. They need moral training as well as mental."

"I think that in public schools as in private," he continued, "moral training should be given. Your schools and colleges, except those established by the churches, are all secular. They don't touch on religious topics. That is so, but moral training is different from religious. In this country there are different religions, Catholic, Protestants, Jewish and others—but what harm can be done if you introduce moral topics without teaching religion? Every religion has some good moral principle. Now, you people, whose people, why not take some moral principles, some good sayings on which all are agreed, have them published in a book and read in the school, and make the students learn these and act upon them. I think this is a point worthy of your consideration. It will broaden the minds of the students. It would make them not only learned and useful, but in life they would become moral, good members of society."

"Unless I am grievously mistaken, your system of education, admirable as it is, is directed almost entirely to mental training. Your chief object in your schools and colleges is to train boys and girls mentally. In other words, you develop the brains, you teach them the most useful subjects that will enable them to gain a livelihood. But does education consist only of mental training? Is that the only object for which education should be directed? I appreciate the utility of your subjects, but are these enough to make a boy or girl a good member of society? A man is not here simply to learn a useful trade and useful knowledge. Morality, moral training should be inculcated. A man may be a useful man, a learned man. But what is he without principle?"

While we are all opposed to any idea of Chinese immigration there is a code of commercial morality practiced by them wherever they are that could well be imitated. A banker who fails loses not only his status in society, but his life. Even a coolie must keep every engagement he makes, to work during specified hours and do the work he engages to perform, and must not "soldier" about it. Minister Wu also referred to the growing lack of respect shown by young people nowadays to their parents, elders, and superiors (as he put it) and advocated the inculcation into the minds of the young, lessons of humanity and patriotism, justice and loyalty. Is it possible he is right?

## Reveals A Great Secret.

It is often asked how such startling cures, that puzzle the best physicians, are effected by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Here's the secret. It cuts out the phlegm and germ-infected mucus, and lets the life-giving oxygen enrich and vitalize the blood. It heals the inflamed, cough-worn throats and lungs. Hard colds and stubborn coughs soon yield to Dr. King's New Discovery, the most infallible remedy for all Throat and Lung diseases. Guaranteed bottles 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free at W. S. Dickson's.