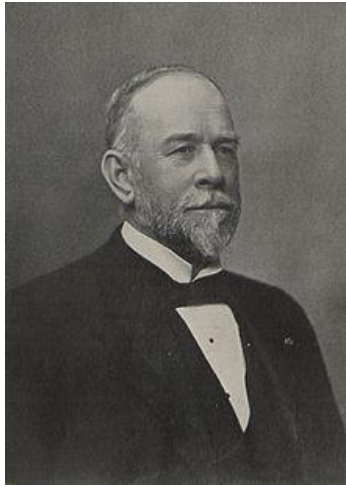


Judge James Addams Beaver, (21 Oct 1837 – 31 Jan 1914), Patriot, Monday, February 2, 1914
Judge Beaver Died; Soldier-Statesman – Was Governor of State, Judge of Superior Court and Civil War Veteran – Prominent in Politics



Bellefonte, Feb 1. – **Judge James Addams Beaver**, died suddenly at 2:40 o'clock Saturday afternoon of degeneration of the heart and arteries. At his bedside were his wife and two sons, **Gilbert A. Beaver**, of New York, and **Thomas Beaver**, of Bellefonte. His illness dates back two years, but his decline had been so gradual, his most intimate friends did not know of his critical condition.

Judge Beaver, who was an ex-Governor of Pennsylvania and at the time of his death judge of the Superior Court made his last appearance on the bench at Harrisburg a year ago, although he then was actively engaged only about an hour, the exertion being too much for him. Since that time he had not been away from Bellefonte.

This week Judge Beaver was re-elected president of the board of trustees of the Pennsylvania College, a position he has held for many years. His term as Superior Court Judge would have expired the first of January, 1916.

The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock on Tuesday morning, and in accordance with his oft-expressed wish, will be without ostentation.

Residents of Pennsylvania outside his own Centre County remember Judge Beaver as a campaigner. He made a wonderful appeal on the stump. He refused to wear his wooden leg on such occasions, his real leg having been lost in the Civil War. He would rush upon the platform on crutches, each stride one of several yards. And he made his speeches so, going from one side of the platform to the other with incredible agility and performing other feats seemingly impossible for a crippled man.

Judge Beaver was born at Millerstown, Perry County, Pa., October 21, 1837. He was a soldier of undaunted courage and came from a fighting family. The years of 1850-51 and '52 were spent at home in preparation for an academic course later on. In 1852 he entered Pine Grove Academy. At 17 he passed examination for admission to the junior class of Jefferson College, at Cannonsburg, where he graduated in 1856 before he was 18 years old.

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