The Democratic Watchman.

BELLEFONTE, PA.

Friday Morning, September 2, 1870.

THINGS ABOUT TOWN & COUNTY.

——School Books—a new lot just received at Rankin's

——Court adjourned last Friday evening, but will convene again on the 17th of October.

——A number of our citizens attended the Camp Meeting at Centre Hall, on Sunday last.

——Camp Meeting is now going on near Milesburg. Hacks will leave here for the grounds on Sunday

——The fruit canning season is now in full blast, and housewives are putting up their winter supplies

——The morning and evenings are beginning to get quite cool and pleasant: Just the right thing for sleeping.

——It is getting to be pretty generally understood that we are to have a workingmen's council next year Good

——We were mistaken last week in mentioning Miss Sallie Keller as one of the teachers of our public schools It is Miss Sophie Keller—not Miss Sallie

——We are told there is a great want of teachers at the Methodist Sunday School, in this place Where are all our church going young ladies and gentlemen?

——Somebody lost a handkerchief on High street the other day, and a very dirty one at that. At least that was the remark of the colored woman who saw pick it up

——Our friend and contributor, Mr N E Ide, is now reading law with A O Furst, Esq., of this place If Mr Ide makes as good a lawyer as poet, he will be doubly successful

——The Camp Meeting west of Pine Grove, which began on Thursday of last week and closes to-day, was numerously attended, much interest being manifested in the exercises.

——Our journalistic duty compels us once more to refer to the outrageous appearance of the face of the town clock It is the most bare-faced arrangement we have ever known.

——The last term of court held here was one of the dirtiest ever held in this place Selection cases seemed to be the principal feature, and much of the evidence was filthy in the extreme

——School Books cheap at John I Rankin's

——The continuation of "Wearing the Cross" is omitted this week, in consequence of the non-arrival of the manuscript When Miss Marshall gets to it we trust readers may expect it in large instalments

——Our good-looking friend James P Coburn Esq, left here on Wednesday afternoon to attend the inter-State fair at Parksburg Mr Coburn is interested in agriculture, and has been connected with the State fair for nearly ten years

——Since assuming control of the book-store across the street, our friend Rankin has laid in a heavy stock of the most saleable goods, and is doing a fine business His establishment looks as though he had the right man in the right place

——The weather has been awful windy during some portions of the week, and as a consequence dust flew liberally Street corner loafers have had a chance to peep at the ladies ancles—an opportunity, of course, which they enjoyed to the utmost.

——Dr Collins, the "big injun," who met with such remarkable success in selling his medicines here last week, left town on Monday last One great secret of the Doctor's success is that he believes in printer's ink, and pays his bills promptly

——A very pretty little poem, from the pen of Miss Mattie Weaver, of this place, appears in our columns to day A little to sad, perhaps, for one so young, and whose future ought to be spanned by the rainbow of hope and promise But then, all hearts are sad at times, and we will imagine that our talented young friend wrote this during a slight attack of the "blues"

——There has not been as few strangers in Bellefonte for a long time as during the present season The universal hard times and scarcity of money everywhere may account for this. But our town is not the only one thus slighted The complaint is general, and this is only another of the many numerous evidences that we are having the prosperous times promised by the Radical Party.

——The excitement in reference to the Franco-Prussian war is hardly so intense as at first, in this place. Nevertheless, there is considerable feeling on both sides, but whenever either party work themselves up into an excitement over it, they generally adjourn to Smith and Anderson's and cool down on "lager bier" This is better than fighting, and much more profitable—at least to Smith and Anderson

THE SCHOOLS.—As will be seen by notice given in another column, the public schools of the borough will open on Monday next. We published last week a list of the teachers elected and congratulate the school Board on their selection. We think this is one of the ablest corps of of teachers we have ever had in our schools.

Miss Thompson, of the girls' high school, is a graduate of one of the best institution in the State. She is a lady of fine accomplishments and tried ability as a teacher.

There has always been trouble in procuring good teachers for the primary grades. The public generally, as well as the school Board, are beginning to learn that the very best teachers are needed for the beginners. Incompetent and unskillful teachers generally do more injury than they accomplish good. This difficulty we think is entirely overcome in the teachers elected They have all had large experience in primary schools.

A course of study has been prepared for each grade and adopted by the school Board. This course defines the qualifications required for entering each grade, and also the advancement expected from pupils during each quarter The course for the high school is well adapted and continues through a term of three years and prepares pupils for entering college We now have our schools modeled on the plan of the Philadelphia schools, and bespeak a successfull school year

——We hope our laboring men and mechanics have about made up their minds that we must have a workingmen's Council for the next year. The immense extravagance of our late and present Radical Councils, and the consequent enormous indebtedness of the borough, which has resulted in the imposition of the most unheard of taxes upon the people, ought surely to be the strongest kind of an argument against continuing the present party in power in the borough Here, as everywhere else, the Radical idea seems to be to spend money, without regard for the burdens which they thus place upon the shoulders of the people Our Councils are generally composed of men who are well-to-do in the world and often of the wealthiest men in town The consequence is our borough legislation all emanates from the rich man's standpoint, and the interest of the poor men are overlooked, or thrust recklessly and contemptuously out of sight Hereafter, the laboring man must be represented in Councils, and he must be represented in such force, too, that his voice will have an equal weight with the rich man's in the determination of our borough improvements and the disbursement of the public money Let the laboring men, then, see to it that a working-man's ticket is put into the field We will ensure its election, if working men will only forget party for a moment and vote for it

HO FOR WEST VIRGINIA!—was the cry of the party that left here on Wednesday last for that country The party consisted of Edmund and E M Blanchard, Esqs, and Charles McAfferty, of this place, and Messrs Kryder of Lock Haven and Pruner and Hoops of Tyrone, and others They go to examine the extensive lands in that State now belonging to Messrs Brokerhoff, Blanchard and others, and will be absent not less than two weeks They were well provided with accoutrements for camping out, and expected to have a jolly time Mr Blanchard, Sr, provided himself with a goodly quantity of soap at Frank Green's drug store, and such other necessaries as he thought would be useful in taking the rough off The party intend descending the Elk river in a canoe We wish them good luck and a safe return.

NELLY MARSHALL — Among the teachers selected by the School Board of this place for the ensuing school year, which opens on Monday next, is Miss Nellie Marshall, of Springport, Kentucky, the authoress of the very interesting story entitled "Wearing the Cross," that we are now publishing in our columns Miss Marshall is a daughters of Gen Humphrey Marshall, an officer in the Confederate army during the "rebellion," and a former member of the United States Congress. She is a young lady of undoubted ability and fine classical attainments. We hail her election, as one of our teachers, as an evidence of a continued growth of a better understanding between the people of the North and South

WOODS MEETING.—There will be a Woods Meeting held at the "Summit," on the B E V R R, six miles from Port Matilda, under the auspices of Port Matilda circuit of the M. E. Church, commencing on Friday, Sep. 9, and continuing over the following Sabbath. The public are respectfully invited.

——A bible class is held regularly every Sunday afternoon, in the Presbyterian church As showing the interest manifested, we may state that it meets in the church because it grew too large for the space allotted to it in the Sabbath school room.

——"A hoss, a hoss—my kingdom for a hoss," was the exclamation of King Richard at the battle of Bunker Hill, and he might have been supplied with one had he lived a little longer in the world, and did not the flesh and muscles that once waked to life and vigor the equine skeleton on exhibetion in front of the Bush House, now sleep in sad decay amid the clods of the valley—or any other man. But, speaking of "hoss," the man that erected those dry bones into a semblance to the frame of the once living animal, proposed to lecture on it somewhere, at some time, if he could get a chance. Whether he did or not, we don't know, but judging from what we saw on Wednesday, the easiest way to transport a horse from place to place is to kill him, disembowel and skin, and then wait till the bones dry, after which pack them up in a trunk and carry them round the county to lecture about—as this fellow did

——One reason assigned for the smoky appearance of the sky a short time ago, and which was erroneously attributed to fire in the mountains, is the fact there have been tremendous fires in Canada, as the following item will show

"FIRE IN CANADA A terrible fire has been raging for several days in the woods in the neigh [illegible] The country people were struck dumb, flew about from house to house, almost powerless from fear and exhausted from excitement. No sooner did they arrive at one place, and before they could tell their tale of suffering they would be compelled to fly again, accompanied by occupants of the house

The loss of life has been small so far At last accounts the fire was still raging and threatening Ottawa, which is filled with the homeless sufferers

——The public schools begin on Monday next We believe the teachers are all here, ready to assume their respective duties, except Miss Marshall, who is expected to arrive from Kentucky between now and the beginning of the week As far as we know, we think the Board have done well in their selection of teachers, and we look forward to a successful and pleasant session for both instructors and pupils And here we might offer a word of counsel to the scholars, enjoining them to be dutiful, diligent, polite to teachers and one another, striving with honorable ambition to excel Such a course of conduct cannot fail to be productive of much good to themselves and will render the school term the most delightful portion of the year Boys and girls, study now while you have the opportunity, for the day will come when every misspent hour will be deeply regretted

Tenants now-a-days pay as much tax on their rented houses as they formerly paid rent itself All that an ordinary workmen earns above his living is swallowed up in taxes at high rents, and many do not even make sufficient to meet these outrageous demands In such a state of things, is it not high time for the workingmen to look to their own interests, and begin the reform by ousting from their snug roosts the present incapable town council, and substituting men of their own choice and from their own ranks? Workingmen think of it

ENTERTAINMENT AHEAD Our friends of the Altoona Y M C A, have engaged a set of lectures for the coming fall and winter which promises something worth going to hear. Among them we find the name of such celebrities as "Josh Billings," Jno. B Gough, Paul B DuChaillu, Rev A A Willits and others whose fame as lecturers is almost world wide Many of our friends wish a pleasant trip to the "Mountain City it would be well to look ahead and make arrangments accordingly

——The next session of the Academy, under the principalship of Prof J P Hughes, will begin on Wednesday This institution is now in a most flourishing state, and is conducted by highly competent and intelligent teachers Prof Hughes labors unceasingly for the moral and physical as well as intellectual good of his pupils, and has made the Bellefonte Academy one of the very best in the state

——A slow run-off occurred on High street on Tuesday. The shafts of a waggon in which a man sat, became detached from the vehicle [illegible] and fell down, thereby frightening the horse or mare, or whatever it was, which increased its gait to something less than a mile a minute The man was thrown out on the race bridge, while the horse continued his course around the depot, where he was finally stopped. We believe the greatest injury was done to the waggon.

——Brown boasts that the circulation of his *Republican*—lamest political sheet ever published in Centre county—is 2,400. Some men lie without the fear of choking. The *bona fide* circulation of his paper is about 1,200—about *nine hundred less* than the WATCHMAN, and about *nineteen hundred less* than the WATCHMAN and *Reporter* combined.

——Everything needed in the school room to be had at Rankin's model Book Store.

——The following is a synopsis of the bankrupt law, as amended by a late act of Congress. We publish it as an item of interest to our readers.

THE AMENDED BANKRUPT LAW.—The bankrupt law has been amended by a recent act of Congress in some few particulars which are worthy of public notice Provisions are now made that the circuit judge, in cases of sickness, absence or other disability of the district judge, may make all necessary rules and orders preparatory to the final hearing in case of bankruptcy. The law provides also that the provisions of that section known as the fifty per cent. clause shall not apply to those debts from which the bankrupt seeks discharge, which were contracted prior to the first of January, 1869. In other words, a debtor whose assets do not pay fifty cents on the dollar must now obtain the assent of a majority, in number and value of those creditors only, whose debts were contracted since the 1st of January, 1869 A clause of the thirty-ninth section make it an act of bankruptcy that a person "being a banker, merchant, or trader, has fraudulently stopped or suspended, and not resumed payment of his commercial paper within a period of fourteen days Much difficulty has been found by the court in the construction of this clause, especially as to the meaning of the word "fraudulently." All ambiguity has been removed by an amendment as follows "Or who being a banker, broker, merchant, trader, manufacturer or miner, has fraudulently stopped payment, or who has stopped or suspended and not resumed payment of his commercial paper within a period of fourteen days" The bankrupt law is improved by these amendments.

——There is a piece of pavement in front of the residence of Mr Zimmerman, late the Presbyterian parsonage, and another piece in front of Mrs Benner's residence, that need fixing badly Both these sidewalks are out of date, and so sunk into the ground and irregular as to be capable of inspiring a swear in a man's heart every time he walks over them We hope they will soon be made at least tolerable

——A boy named Charles Richards, son of a watchmaker in the employ of Frank P Blair, while carelessly handling a pistol the other day, accidentally discharged it, the ball grazing and somewhat injuring his finger, and lodging in the wall at the further end of the room, just beside the Regulator A narrow escape and another warning against the useless handling of firearms

——Messrs John H. Orvis, W F. Reynolds and Harry Foster, the conferees from Centre county to the Senatorial Conference at Lewistown, left here on Monday evening, and returned on Wednesday night, the Conference having concluded its business in one day The conferees were accompanied to Lewistown by H Y Stitzer, Adam Hoy and D F Fortney, Esqs, and by ex-Sheriffs Conley and Perks

——The great anxiety to hear the evidence in the Harris divorce case was justly disappointed by the transfer of the case to the hands of a commissioner, who will take the evidence in private Our esteemed townsman, Philip Gepheart, was appointed by Judge Mayer as such commissioner

——Col James F Weaver, of Milesburg, lost a valuable horse on last Saturday While returning from the camp ground, the axle tree of the wagon broke and either by kicking or the fall of the wagon upon the horse's leg, it was cut nearly off The horse had to be shot to end its suffering

——In Bedford chickens sell for $2 a dozen, potatoes for 50 cents a bushel, butter for 20 cents a pound, and the choicest beef, by the butchers, at from 12 to 16 cents a pound How comes it that the prices of these articles are so much higher in Bellefonte? Can anybody answer

——The Huntingdon *Globe* has the following lucid item of information

Adah Jones bed room in Port Matilda, Centre county, was entered by a thief who robbed his pants pocket of $8

We always thought that the name "Adah" was femenine If we are not mistaken, then the thief must have robbed his own pants pocket

——The fine brick building on Allegheny street, now in course of erection by Irwin & Wilson, is rapidly approaching completion When finished, it will be quite an ornament to that part of town, and will contain two of the finest store rooms in this part of the country

One suggestion that the announcements made in church papers and which take up so much of the time of both ministers and congregations, be printed and put up on bulletin boards in the the vestibules, has not yet been adopted by any of the religious denominations in town.

——Our intelligent and good-humored friend, Sussman,—gets off some good jokes sometimes He told us a couple the other day that made us laugh all over. They were at the expense of a couple of prominent Radicals about town Sussman is a regular "jokist"—he is

——The usual monthly union meeting of the various christian denominations in town was held in the Court House, on Sunday evening last. Rev. Mr. Pomeroy, (not "Brick") of New York, conducted the services

RAILROAD MATTERS.—Since our last issue we have but little news of importance or interest regarding our rail-road matters. From the Centre Hall *Reporter*, we learn that there were "forty bids for the grading of the road from Lewisburg to Mifflinburg," and also, 'that the money has been raised, or nearly raised to carry the grading from Mifflinburg to the Centre county line.' From other sources we have information, that out of the forty bids but five were considered low enough to seem like bids, and that they were placed in the hands of the engineers, to decide which would be the best for the company to accept.

The news we have from Harris', the only place we have in the county there seems to be any trouble, is, that but little is being done in the matter. Now we do hope that the people of that township will put their shoulders to the wheel. They have as much at stake as the citizens of any township in the county, and we know that they are able to do all that is asked of them. Let them pull off their coats and go to work Let them raise the money to grade the road first, and decide after that just the particular place it is to go Let each one give all he can to secure the building of the road, and then let him give so much more to secure it by a particular route.

A VALUABLE ARTICLE.—Our friend, Mr Kale Kepheart of Buffalo Run, is the possessor of a recipt for manufacturing a wash for cuts, bruises, galds, scratches, or any character of sores on horses or cattle, that we do not believe can be equaled by any article. We have seen it tried, and have never known anything to so speedily effect a cure. A few weeks since, a valuable mare belonging to the editor of this paper was found to have the scratches, three applications of the medicine cured her completely.

——A cotillion party came of at Bush's Hall on Tuesday night last, which was not a particular success The dancers took supper at the Bush House at half past eleven o'clock, after which the amusement was resumed and continued till an early hour of the morning

NOTICE.—The public schools of Bellefonte borough will open on Monday, September 5th.

D H. HASTINGS,
Principal

[For the WATCHMAN.

Unionville and its People.

Having for a number of years had intercourse with the citizens of Unionville, many pleasant remembrances of agreeable times constantly spring up. Their demeanor, their actions, their noble looks, always impressed us that, as a class, they are the best of God's creation. In literary pursuits they have long had the lead. Their literary associations date far back and have been kept up with wonderful fidelity.

The classical Seminary, under the genial and energetic management of the worthy Mrs. Cleaver, ranks second to none of its kind.

A few days ago we had occasion to spend some hours in the village. After doing ample justice to the well spread table of Mrs. Jemima Bush, we sauntered out to see the sights.

The extensive steam tannery of Mr C Bush, is itself worth a visit His stock is quite extensive, and thousands of dollars worth of raw hides he gets as far away even as New Orleans. His orders and commendations from his customers give flattering evidence of the superiority of the leather he manufactures. At Mr. Richard Catslow's, a hospitable reception is always awaiting. His musical instruments are rare and good, and may the birds that operate them enjoy many years. After supplying ourself with goods from the cheap store of George and John Alexander, we wended our way to the Bald Eagle Nursery, where its kindly and gentlemanly proprietor, Mr Wm. P Fisher, raises the most luscious peaches and other fruits, of which we partook most freely. This fall his stock of fruit and ornamental trees and shrubbery is larger than ever, which he sells cheaper than can be had elsewhere, which are always good and true to name. Mr. F., being the very embodiment of modesty and diffidence, will please excuse us for giving this piece of useful information to the public W.

Our Senatorial Candidates.

The Harrisburg *Patriot* has the following complimentary notice of Messrs CRAWFORD and PETRIKEN, the Democratic nominees for Senators in the 21st district It says

The Democratic Senatorial Conference for the Twenty-first district, assembled yesterday at Lewistown and nominated Dr D M. Crawford, of Juniata county, and Maj. R Bruce Petrikin, of Huntingdon, as the standard-bearers of the party in that district. They are both worthy and popular men and will undoubtedly be elected Their record as democrats is unblemished and the party, reinforced by large accessions from the opposition, will rally to their support, in solid phalanx. Upon the democrats of the Twenty-first district rests the hope of the people of the Commonwealth for the redemption of the Senate from radical domination. The issues there are of momentous importance. Personal and local considerations dwindle into insignificance in connection with it. Let there be harmony and thorough and untiring exertion for the nominees, and the election of Crawford and Petrikin will be secured and the Senate redeemed.

Paying the Debt.

The Montrose Democrat says: When a Democratic newspaper calls attention to General Grant's incapacity for the position he now occupies, the Radical press cry out—"Look how he is paying the debt!"

To the grave charges made to his receiving presents; to his appointment of unfit men to high offices, to his disgraceful nepotism; to his neglect of business, and constant junketing about at watering places as a first class dead head; to his blundering foreign policy, to his unwise and impracticable suggestions on the tariff and the revenue, to his improper use of the military power in the South; in short to every charge made against him we have but one reply—"Look how he is paying off the debt!"

When Congress is assailed we hear the same cry—"Look how the debt is being paid." Do we point to the acknowledged corruption of the National Legislature; to the jobbery, the bribery, and the scale of votes; to the wanton distribution of the public domain among a set of greedy corporators, by which Congressmen profit largely; to the class legislation which imposes onerous burthens upon the masses for the benefit of a favored few to the extravagant appropriation of the public money; to the costly administration of the government; to the vile means used to control elections, to the rascally decision of contested election cases, to the sale of cadetships, and other villainies of Radical members—the only answer we get is, "Look how the debt is being paid."

We have looked, and we find the Secretary of the Treasury makes a false exhibit monthly by excluding the Pacific Railroad bonds from the count But, suppose we were to take his showing as correct, what credit is due to the present administration? Let that able and influential Republican newspaper the New York *Sun*, answer. It says

"The public debt was diminished over seventeen millions of dollars in the month of July, and the partisan press, boast of the fact as a matter exceedingly creditable to the present administration. But what else could be done with the money except to pay it out upon the public debt? It was in the Treasury, and must either be applied to this use or stolen Besides, how is the administration entitled to particular credit for having so large a sum of money in the Treasury? The taxes which produced this sum were levied before Gen. Grant came into power, and it is no merit of his that they happened to have been so much larger than there was any need of The truth is that it would be much more honorable to the Republican party if it had reduced the taxes, so that instead of putting a surplus of two hundred millions a year into the Treasury it had left that surplus in the pockets of the people. Low taxes are more glorious to a government than an enormous revenue extorted from the poor and suffering masses.

Business Notices.

——The stove and tinware business, with the manufacture of fruit cans, has got to be a big thing in this country And among the most extensive dealers in this place we may mention Mr Isaac Haupt, whose establishment may be found in his new brick building on the race bank, just opposite the Bush House We took a look at his stock on Wednesday and found it complete in every particular Stoves of all sorts and sizes, and of the most beautiful patterns parlor, cook and heating stoves, tinware in endless qualities, fruit cans by the thousand, with everything usually kept in an establishment of this kind comprised in a really excellent assortment Mr. Haupt is the best workman, and sells nothing that is not first class both in make and material. To all of our friends in need of stoves, tinware, or fruit cans, will find that they cannot be accommodated than at Haupt's

MARRIED.

DOWNING—MONIGLE—At the bride's residence August 25th, by Rev J Boggs, Mr Robert W Downing of Half Moon Twp, to Miss Lovina B, daughter of Henry Monigle, Esq, of Port Matilda.

JOHNSTONBAUGH—SHUEY—On the 18th inst, by Rev J W Cleaver, at the M E Parsonage, Milesburg, Mr. Wm H Johnstonbaugh, to Miss Barbara F Shuey, all of this county

The Bellefonte Market.

CORRECTED BY KELLER & MESSER

The following are the quotations up to 6 o'clock Thursday evening, when our paper went to press

White Wheat, per bushel	$ [illegible]
Red Wheat, per bushel old	[illegible]
Red Wheat per bushel new	[illegible]
Rye, per bushel	[illegible]
Corn, shelled, per bushel,	[illegible]
Oats, per bushel	[illegible]
Barley, per bushel	[illegible]
Buckwheat, per bushel,	[illegible]
Cloverseed, per bushel	[illegible]
Potatoes, per bushel	[illegible]
Eggs, per dozen	[illegible]
Lard, per pound	[illegible]
Bacon Shoulders	[illegible]
Sides	[illegible]
Hams	[illegible]
Tallow, per pound	[illegible]
Butter, per pound	[illegible]
Rags, per pound	[illegible]
Ground Plaster per ton	[illegible]

MONEY MARKET,

Dellaven & Bro, 40 South Third Street Philad'a, furnish the following up to the 1st instant,

U S 6's, of '81	114¼ @ 114½
" " '62	111⅞ @ 112
" " '64	110⅞ @ 111
" " '65	111 @ 111⅛
" " '65 new	109⅞ @ 110
" " '67	109⅞ @ 110
" " '68	110¼ @ 110½
" 5's, 10-40's	108¼ @ 108⅝
U S. 30 Year 6 per cent. Cy.	111¾ @ 111⅞
Due Comp Int. Notes,	117¼ @ 117½
Gold	112 @ 111
Silver,	
Union Pacific R.R. 1st M. Bonds.	820 @ 830
Central Pacific R R	875 @ 880
Union Pacific Land Grant Bonds.	740 @ 770

We are prepared to furnish Revenue Stamps of all denominations to our customers, allowing the following discout

On $25 and upwards 2 per cent
" 100 " " 3 "
" 300 " " 4 "

We fill and forward all orders upon the day of their receipt.

AARON WILLIAMS, Attorney at Law, Office with the Sheriff, Bellefonte, Pa.

PRINTING IN COLORS A SPECIALTY AT THIS OFFICE.