

Democratic Watchman.

Friday Morning, July 19, 1889.

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THINGS ABOUT TOWN & COUNTY.

—The Republican convention of Centre county has been called to meet on Monday, August 5th.

—Rev. A. A. Black has been installed as the pastor of the Reformed church at Boalsburg.

—Chief of Police Leche of Phillipsburg recently received serious injury from a party he attempted to arrest.

—Contractor McGovern has 92 men, 5 foremen, 6 boys, 50 horses and drivers at work, improving the Tyrone railroad yard.

—Harvest hands have been made scarce in Bald Eagle Valley by the demand for workmen to repair the Beech Creek railroad.

—The huckleberry crop this season promises to be one of the most extensive that the woods of this region have produced in many years.

—A fire discovered in the house of Mr. Tobias Green at Milesburg, some days ago, was quickly extinguished without any damage being done.

—The Lloyd House at Phillipsburg was sold by its owner, Mr. S. B. Row, to a party in Philadelphia, and the transfer took place last Saturday.

—First Lieut. W. F. Reber, and Second Lieut. Phil. S. Foster, of Company B, 5th Reg., have been appointed inspecting officers of the Second Brigade.

—The camp meeting grounds at Newton Hamilton will be thrown open to the public on the 1st of August and the camp-meeting will commence on the 13th.

—Prof. J. B. Hickey, of Meadville, Pa., has been elected principal of the Phillipsburg Schools, Prof. U. G. Palmer, of Canton, Pa., having declined the position.

—The Sugar Valley Journal regards the building of the Bellefonte and Eastern railroad a fixed fact, and expects its region of country to be greatly developed by it.

—We understand that Zeller's drug store will be moved from its present location to one of the rooms in the Cridler building now occupied by Montgomery's clothing store.

—Rev. Franklin B. Welch, of the Philadelphia conference, has been selected to fill the Methodist pulpit in Altoona, made vacant by the death of Rev. N. D. Yocum.

—There is a complaint in the Millheim Journal of the manner in which the Bellefonte relief fund was distributed in that section, as it says that much of it went to parties that did not need it.

—Some days ago William Richards was fished out of thirty dollars by three sharpers connected with a traveling show at Phillipsburg, but he recovered the money by having them arrested.

—Charles Stettin, telegraph operator in the employ of the Pennsylvania R. R. Co., at Port Matilda, died at his residence in that place on Thursday night of last week, after a brief illness.

—At the meeting of the State Teachers' Association at Altoona last week, D. F. Portney Esq., invited the Association to hold its next annual meeting at Bellefonte, but the preference was given to Mauch Chunk.

—The head of the Burgess of Tyrone is certainly level. In issuing an order that all dogs in that town running at large during warm weather should be muzzled, he says: "The life of one person is of more consequence than all the dogs in town."

—The next State Convention of County Commissioners will be held at Allentown on the 24th, 25th and 26th of September. The first one was held at Erie last September. Subjects relating to taxation are considered at their meetings and it may be believed that some good will result from them.

—As an instance of the terribly destructive character of the Johnstown flood, the Democrat of that place says that Robert Butler's house, the Pennsylvania Railroad hotel, more generally known as the Field House property, on Iron street, Millville borough, had in it at the time of the flood thirty-one persons, not one of whom is known to have escaped, and none of their bodies, it is said, have yet been found.

—A council of the Order of the United American Mechanics has been organized in Milesburg, and will be known as Milesburg Council No. 280. The organization was effected by John Gunsalus of Snow Shoe City Council No. 274, assisted by J. S. Ewing of the same council and members of various other councils, with about thirty-five charter members, some of whom are from Bellefonte.

NEARLY SUFFOCATED.—Two men named Henry Glass and Daniel Guilford, while engaged in cleaning the tank of the Acme Oil Company at Lock Haven, last Monday, narrowly escaped death from suffocation. The tank is capable of holding 300 barrels and they were let down through a trap door. When Thomas Hensen, the drayman, called to the men at the bottom of the tank he received no answer, but heard them breath so hard and heavily—he denominated it "snoring," that he became alarmed and called for help. A rope was procured and Hensen descended and found both men lying on their backs and neither able to speak and at that time they barely seemed to breathe. Fastening the rope around Guilford first he was hoisted to the top and afterwards Glass was taken out the same way. When the men got into the fresh air they seemed to be merely breathing. Drs. Armstrong and Ball were summoned and in due time the men seemed to slightly revive and were removed to their homes, where they are in a serious condition. Hensen, the colored drayman, said that he could hardly stand it long enough to get the rope around their bodies, and that if he had been forced to remain any longer he believed he would have dropped over.

DISTRESS IN NITTANY VALLEY.—It is said that the people of that section of Nittany Valley that was affected by the flood are disgusted with the tactics of the Lock Haven Relief Committee, who have kept the money intended for use in and about the town strictly in the town, while the people along Fishing Creek and its tributaries are really in greater need, especially the working people and those who owned small homes and have nothing to rebuild with. Some have their houses standing among rocks, no fences, no soil, no crops and no money. Help is really needed in Nittany Valley, as the people did not have papers to represent their needs as the cities and towns had, but they surely supposed that they would get some of the relief sent to the county seat. A committee has been appointed to represent the case of the sufferers to the State Commission and to the public.

THE VEAL LAW.—The law prohibiting the killing of a calf before it has attained the proper age is severe and somewhat stringent. It provides that any person who kills, or causes to be killed, with intent to sell the meat thereof for family use, a calf of less than four weeks, or knowingly sells or has in his possession such meat, with the intent to sell the same for such use to a foreign market, shall be imprisoned not more than six months or fined not more than \$300. It would be proper for the purchasers of meat to look well to this matter, and to exercise the best judgments as to whether they believe all the veal offered for sale in our market has attained the sufficient age to make it marketable, as well as palatable. It will also be of interest to those who sell meats to exercise care in this matter.

KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE.—The following are the officers of Centre Castle No. 169, of Spring Mills for the ensuing six months' term: Past Chief, J. F. Hagan; Noble Chief, S. J. Taylor; Vice Chief, W. R. Alexander; High Priest, Geo. P. Ream; Venerable Hermit; H. O. Duck; Master of Records, John A. Grenoble; Clerk of Exchequer, Dr. Geo. L. Lee; Keeper of Exchequer, Dr. J. R. G. Allison; Sir Herald, P. C. Frank; Worthy Bard, D. L. Bartges; Worthy Chamberlain, David Burrell; Ensign, J. I. Condo; Esquire, Henry Emerick; First Guardsman, Thomas Kennelley; Second Guardsman, H. M. Wirt; Trustees, J. I. Condo, D. H. Ruhl, and D. Burrell; Representative to the Grand Castle, John A. Grenoble.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.—The Williamsport G. and B. states that last Monday night about a quarter past eleven o'clock, Harry Edkins, a young man whose home is on the South Side, was robbed on the Market street bridge by two men, apparently thugs. One of them caught him by the throat and threw him down, the other man "went through" his pockets, taking eight dollars in money and a silver watch, open face, and a gold chain. After relieving him of his valuables they bade him turn back and not follow them. He obeyed, came to the police office and told what had occurred.

A CAREFUL COMPANY.—All passenger cars on the Pennsylvania railroad are obliged to be disinfected once a week and all rubbish so far as possible burned. Where the drinking water is supposed to be impure instructions are given to boil it, and where any case of infectious disease in a coach, at a station or on the company's property occurs, a physician must be sent for at once, and the car or room closed and not used again until thoroughly fumigated.

—The firm of Hoover, Hughes & Co., of Phillipsburg, who have a contract for putting up two hundred houses at Johnstown, are pushing the job vigorously. From the 8th to the 13th inst., they turned out from their planing mill no less than one hundred of these houses complete in every particular.

—The collection recently taken in the Episcopal church of this place for the benefit of the Episcopal church at Newport, Perry county, injured by the late flood, amounted to \$27.

—Rev. E. E. Hoshour, pastor of the Bellefonte Lutheran congregation, was married at Gettysburg on the 11th inst., by Rev. Dr. Swartz, to Miss Ella M. Sheely, daughter of County Superintendent Sheely of Adams county.

—Abraham Hart, the father of ex-Senator W. W. Hart, of Williamsport, was one hundred and one years old on the 6th of May last. Recently he had a fall and hurt his back against a bench, and it was feared he might not recover. But he is slowly getting better again.

—Last Friday morning Mrs. Barbara Geddis, mother of Mrs. Theodore Desher and Mrs. John Moore, of this place, died at the home of the latter, after a long prostration from feeble health, in her 74th year. Her remains were taken to Hartleton, Union county, on Saturday, for interment, where she had resided before coming to Bellefonte some three years ago.

—The Juniata valley camp-meeting opens this year the 13th and closes the 25th of August. Material improvements in tents, places of worship and on the grounds have been made since last year. Already nearly every tent is engaged, and those of our readers who expect to attend this enjoyable gathering of good people, will needs hurry up their orders for tent accommodations.

—Some weeks ago a child of Henry Bossinger, at Granville Run, Millin county, was bitten by a copperhead snake. Soon after it happened a chicken was killed, cut open and applied to the poisoned part with the object of drawing out the virus, and while a second chicken was being applied a cat secured the first chicken and ate of it, and before it moved from the spot it died from the poisoned fowl. It is not stated whether the child recovered.

—Mr. J. B. Gentzel, of Spring township, recently returned from Bedford county with two of the finest mated farm teams that has been seen in this section, one a gray team, weighing 3029 pounds, the other beautiful bays, tipping at 2800 pounds. For the grays he received \$500 from a gentleman near Zion, and has refused \$450 for the bays which he proposes to keep until some one appreciating good horses comes around.

—In our Pine Grove items last week mention was made of the accidental killing of James Shreffler by the bursting of his gun. The inquest held upon the body found that the cause of his death was as above stated. It appears that the gun was an old one, the breech screw being rusty, and being unable to have it fixed he attempted to fix it himself by wrapping a piece of tin around the breech. His body was found in a field not more than half a mile from his home and people living near by remember hearing a loud report of a gun at about 4.30 on Monday afternoon, when it is believed that in firing at a bird or some other game the explosion took place. On Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock, the funeral took place, the Methodist minister officiating.

—The Phillipsburg Journal, in speaking of the failure of a certain wedding to come off in South Phillipsburg on Wednesday night of last week, the time fixed for it, says that the contracting parties were residents of that suburb, but the groom, whose occupation called him to Bellefonte, failed to put in an appearance. The Squire was present with his legal authority, many guests were there with their best wishes, an escort awaited the expected groom at the railway station, ice cream and cake in any quantity, but the intended bride was despondent. The groom not making his appearance, the mother of the bride suggested that they make the best of it, and "go for" the ice cream. Action followed the suggestion and it was soon out of sight. Unless some other unfortunate circumstance intervened the happy event was consummated next night.

—The people of Centre county can't be indifferent to the importance of the following item of news: The latest invention of Thomas Alva Edison, the "Wizard of Menlo Park," a magnetic ore separator, will be of great importance to the iron manufacturer of this country, if the invention be as successful as the experiments at Bechtelsville, near Reading, indicate. These experiments were concluded last Saturday, and the working of Mr. Edison's invention is explained in this way: The rock containing the ore, after passing through the crusher and being broken to about the size of an egg, is conveyed in small buckets and dumped into a large hopper. From here it drops out in a small stream down an incline and passes within a few inches of a powerful magnet. This is so heavily charged as to draw the iron ore from its course into one channel, and the rock and other foreign elements contained in the ore are permitted to pass through another channel to the refuse pile.

GOOD RECORDS OF DEMOCRATIC OFFICE HOLDERS.—It is certainly a gratification to the people to learn of the faithful performance of duty by public officials, and it is especially a cause of congratulation among Democrats when officers holding positions under a Democratic administration have reflected credit upon the party by their faithful and efficient service. Such a kind of officer has been C. B. Staples, Esq., Collector of Internal Revenue for the 12th District of Pennsylvania, who retired from that position last week after an incumbency of four years, with a record of which any officer might well be proud. During his term as collector of this district he has fulfilled every duty of the office with fidelity, promptness and marked ability. He has made a courteous, obliging and efficient officer, and the people of this district generally will view his retirement with regret. During his administration the business of the office increased in volume to a very considerable extent, but it has been well taken care of by the collector and his deputies. The following figures concerning the volume of business passing through the office in the past four years will doubtless prove interesting to many:

The collections of the Internal Revenue office of the 12th District of Pennsylvania in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889, amounted to \$538,122.42, made up as follows, viz:

Fines.....	\$ 1,142.74
Beer.....	216,971.88
Spirits.....	41,174.10
Cigars.....	85,000.00
Tobacco.....	49,218.92
Special Taxes.....	114,014.21
An increase is shown over last year of \$15,843.42.	

As the present district is now constituted, the first full fiscal year after the reorganization of the same in 1883, was the year ending June 30, 1884, during which period E. H. Chase, Esq., was collector, with the exception of the last 22 days.

The total collections for that year were \$433,870.97.

The following are the total collections for the four full fiscal years C. B. Staples was collector, viz:

1883.....	\$400,190.00
1884.....	506,751.04
1885.....	522,270.00
1886.....	538,122.42

This shows a steady increase each year.

Collector Staples had the advantage of the assistance of faithful and efficient deputies, without which he could not have had such gratifying success in the management of his office. Among them none was more serviceable, or performed his duties with more intelligence, fidelity and efficiency than Deputy Collector Wm. C. Heinle, Esq., of this place. That his services as an officer and character as a man were appreciated by his chief is shown by a letter he received from Mr. Staples after the latter's retirement from office, in which he paid the following tribute to Mr. Heinle:

"It is a pleasure for me to express to you my thanks for your honest, faithful and successful work as Deputy Collector under me. It was partly owing to this work of yours that the 12th Internal Revenue District stands so well to-day. May your efforts for public success accomplish what you desire them and your cup of pleasure run over. It is a gratification for a man in public position to meet and have associated with him a man like you."

Such a tribute as this is something that any man retiring from a position of public trust may justly value, and the Democratic party may well be proud of such officers as Mr. Heinle and his chief C. B. Staples.

MINERS' MEETING.—A meeting of miners and mine laborers was held at Phillipsburg to consider the report of the delegates to the conference recently held at Altoona. A committee of five was appointed to arrange for a mass meeting to discuss organization and bring speakers from a distance. Sentiment was expressed in favor of some other organization than the K. of L. It was resolved to give another \$500 to the men now on strike. It sounds strange to hear the word "strike" used in this Republican high tariff millennium.

—The death of Mrs. Frank Prentice, which occurred at her home in this place last Sunday morning about 11 o'clock, was attended with some distressing circumstances. Her illness commenced about 9 o'clock the evening previous, resulting from overheating caused by the work in which she had been engaged, added to a trip to another portion of the town and hastening home to escape a threatening shower. There was a severe illness of the stomach and cerebro-spinal complications, followed by paralysis. She was 29 years old, had been married less than a year, and formerly lived at Scotia. The case was one calculated to excite the sympathy of the community.

—At a meeting of the borough council on Monday evening, a request for the purchase of four hose nozzles—two each for the Logans and Undines, was granted. The market fees in two weeks were \$8.40. Water privileges have been placed at the site of the new Lutheran church and new pipe laid on Beaver street.

—Fine Roasts, Steaks, Mutton, Spring Lamb, and Bologna at Sechler & Co.'s.

—William Kline, of Lemont, recently deceased, was 36 years old.

—The recent death of Mrs. Joseph Shirk, of Centre Hall, occurred in the 79th year of her age.

—Some days ago one of the ankles of Amos Epply, of Centre Hall, was accidentally broken.

—Applebutter, Jellies, Jams, Honey, Pickles, Olives, Table Oil, and Ketchup at Sechler & Co.'s.

—The Hope Fire Company of Phillipsburg will attend the State Firemen's Convention to be held in Carlisle in September.

—An alligator owned by William E. McMurtrie, of Huntingdon, and brought from Florida thirteen years ago, died a few days ago.

—The fortune left by Wm. M. Lyon, brother of Stewart Lyon, Esq., of this place, whose recent death in Pittsburg was noticed in our columns last week, is estimated at \$400,000.

—Mrs. Geo. W. Lyon, of Pennsylvania Furnace, is among the registered summer guests at the Chalfonte hotel, Atlantic City, accompanied by her niece, Miss Agnes of Philadelphia.

—The Episcopal Sunday School picnic came off in Seller's woods on the Buffalo Run railroad on Wednesday, it being the first church picnic of the season from this place.

—Howard's most prosperous and popular merchant, Balser Weber, Esq., accompanied by his son-in-law, Mr. Mully, of Chicago, spent Monday in town.

—The red belt that traverses the Bald Eagle mountain opposite Lock Haven between the base and centre of the ridge, and which has attracted considerable attention, is said to have been caused by the voracious locusts that visited the trees in that line of their travel.

—The Republican convention of Clinton county met in Lock Haven last Tuesday and elected Sterrett R. Quigley delegate to the State Convention which will nominate a candidate for State Treasurer. A. J. Malone was chosen county chairman.

—The following is the celebrated New York Sun cholera mixture which is invaluable at this season of the year: Take equal parts of tincture of cayenne, tincture of opium, tincture of rhubarb, essence of peppermint and spirits of camphor, and mix well. Dose, fifteen to thirty drops in a wine-glass of water, according to age and violence of the attack. Repeat every fifteen minutes until relief is obtained.

—Last Saturday afternoon about 3:30 a fire broke out in the stable recently occupied by Daniel Paul, corner of 2nd and Pine streets, Phillipsburg, which was entirely destroyed, together with an adjoining tenement house. By great exertion property in the vicinity, including the Loyd House and Central Hotel, was saved. A valuable Newfoundland dog, belonging to a commercial man, was burned in the stable.

—The Lycoming county judicial contest continues to draw its slow length along. It is now nearly a year since the alleged crookedness in the election took place, and the three learned judges sitting upon the case have not yet been able to straighten it out. There is no telling when the proceedings will terminate, and in the meanwhile the costs that will have to be paid by the taxpayers of the county are accumulating. The "grand old party," however, doesn't care for expense when it wants to steal an office.

—Mrs. Martha C. Miller, mother of John C. Miller, died at the residence of her son in this place, Friday of last week, aged 78 years. She was the daughter of William Welch who moved to this place from Pittsburg many years ago, and her early life was passed here. Having married Charles H. Miller she resided in Huntingdon until his death about seven years ago, soon after which she came to Bellefonte to reside with her son. Her remains were taken to Huntingdon last Monday for interment. She was a lady whose Christian virtues and excellent traits of character won for her many friends.

—A sad accident occurred near Oriskania, Huntingdon county, about half-past 5 o'clock Monday evening, resulting in the instant death of a boy named Kennedy. His father resides a short distance from Brodbeck's stone quarry, about a mile from Oriskania, where men were at work blasting, and the boy was in the yard playing at the time a heavy blast was put off, heedless of his danger, when a large stone descended and struck him on the head, killing him instantly. The house is located fully 500 yards from the quarry, and it must have been an extraordinary blast that precipitated the stone so far. The boy was aged 12 years, and his death has occasioned general sympathy.

—Oranges, Lemons, Bananas, and all fruits in season at Sechler & Co.'s.

FREE TRANSPORTATION TO SOLDIERS.—In September next the monuments erected on the Gettysburg battlefield to mark the positions occupied by the Pennsylvania troops in that battle, will be dedicated. The honorably discharged soldiers belonging to organizations which have monuments to be dedicated will be furnished free transportation on the railroads to and from the place at the expense of the State, providing their names were borne upon the rolls of such organization previous to or at the date of the battle. They have the privilege of remaining at Gettysburg one week and of stopping off enroute. The Adjutant General will furnish blanks for the reception of applications and the issuance of orders for transportation. Any person who shall personate a soldier or shall attempt to use the transportation of a soldier, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined and imprisoned.

—The Renovo News states that Miss Mary E. Curns, daughter of W. J. Curns, who is employed at George McNaughton's Drury Run mill and who lives in the same place, died on Monday afternoon and the cause of her death is attracting no little attention in the neighborhood. The young lady was about 15 years of age, came to Renovo on Thursday afternoon and while at the house of a friend drank a glass of ice water. Almost immediately afterwards she became insane, was taken to her home in that condition and remained out of her mind up to the time of her death. The physician in charge attributes the insanity and subsequent death of the girl to the effect of the ice water on her brain.

—We regret to learn that Miss Ella Williams, formerly employed in the WATCHMAN office, is lying very ill at the residence of her step-father near Howard.

—All the New Woollens, for the coming season now being received. Liberal Discount for early orders during the fall season. Our Fall stock will be the finest we have ever shown. Prices and a good fit guaranteed.

MONTGOMERY & Co., Tailors.

—Foreign and Domestic dried fruit and canned goods at Sechler & Co.'s.

WALL PAPER.—Large stock—must be sold. Prices astonishing, write for samples to JOHN M. DEAN & Co., Williamsport, Pa.

—Go to McQuiston & Co., for your carriage repairs, the only manufacturers in the place who ever learned the business. Best of stock used in all branches. Shops adjoining the freight depot.

—Fine cheese, Hams, Bacon, Dried Beef, and Canned Meats at Sechler & Co.'s.

—McQuiston & Co., are selling top buggies bought, ironed, and with the exception of the wheels and shafts, finished by ourselves, for the low price of eighty dollars. We don't misrepresent them and sell them for our own make. Give us a call. Shops adjoining the freight depot.

Wanted.—50,000 pounds of wool. Lyon & Co., Bellefonte, Pa.

—McQuiston & Co., sell handmade spring wagons cheaper than the factory work is sold in this place. Shops along side of the freight depot.

Announcements.

PROTHONOTARY.

We are authorized to announce M. L. GARDNER, of Howard borough, as a candidate for Prothonotary, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

We are authorized to announce L. A. SCHAEFFER, of Bellefonte, as a candidate for Prothonotary, subject to the decision of the Democratic county convention.

ASSOCIATE JUDGE.

We are authorized to announce that THOS. F. RILEY, of Harris township, will be a candidate for Associate Judge, subject to the decision of the Democratic county convention.

Bellefonte Grain Market.			
Corrected weekly by Geo. W. JACKSON & Co.			
The following are the quotations up to six o'clock, Thursday evening, when our paper goes to press:			
White wheat, per bushel.....	80		
Red wheat, per bushel.....	85		
Rye, per bushel.....	45		
Corn, ears, per bushel.....	29		
Corn, shelled, per bushel.....	40		
Oats—new, per bushel.....	30		
Barley, per bushel.....	45		
Buckwheat, per bushel.....	50		
Ground feed, per bushel.....	\$4 00 to \$6 00		
Ground Flour, per ton.....	9 00		

Bellefonte Produce Markets.			
Corrected weekly by Sechler & Co.			
Potatoes—new per bushel.....	1 20		
Eggs, per dozen.....	12		
Lard, per pound.....	10		
Country shoulders.....	8		
Sides.....	16		
Hams.....	15		
Tallow, per pound.....	4		
Butter, per pound.....	12		
Onions, per bushel.....	75		
Turnips, per bushel.....	25		

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Quarter Column (4½ inches).....	12	20	30
Half Column (9 inches).....	20	35	55
One Column (19 inches).....	35	55	100

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