

Democratic Watchman

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To Correspondents.—No communications published unless accompanied by the real name of the writer.

Mr. M. H. Geiss, of Penn Hall, is the duly authorized agent of the WATCHMAN for Gregg township.

THINGS ABOUT TOWN & COUNTY.

John Walter, of Milesburg, and Jeremiah Dinges, of Boalsburg, have been granted an increase of pensions.

A surprise party was the feature of Thanksgiving evening at the residence of C. M. Bower, esq., on East Linn street.

The furnace of the Centre Iron Company is now in full blast, making four heats a day with a product of about 80 tons.

A turkey to each of them was the way Mr. Matland of the boiler works paid his compliments to his employees on Thanksgiving.

Enos Kennedy Adams, whose wife was Miss Clara Miles, of Milesburg, died at Lock Haven last Saturday, of typhoid fever, at the age of 34 years.

The Lock Haven papers contain too many notices of deaths from typhoid fever to try to disguise the fact that that place is in a very unhealthy condition.

Michael Harper, who some weeks ago died at Aaronburg, willed \$1000 to the Reformed church of that place. He left the balance of his property to his brother, John Harper, of Wisconsin.

It is announced that Mr. George Van Tries, of this place, and Miss Etta, daughter of Mr. David Matern, of Tyrone, will be married in the Bellefonte Presbyterian church on Thursday, the 12th inst.

Miss Katie Furey, the pretty little daughter of Joe W. Furey of the Lock Haven Democrat, accompanied by her friend, Miss Daisy Ball, have been visiting relatives and friends in town during the past week.

Jacob Houser, of Benner township, in half a day's hunting he indulged in last week, shot a deer which weighed 110 pounds when dressed, and a 20 pound coon. This was better luck than usually attends hunting in this county.

Hundreds of persons attended the funeral of Frank Gallagher, one of the unfortunate victims of the quarry accident in this place, at Howard last Sunday. The interment was made in the Catholic cemetery, the services being performed by Rev. Father Seibert of Lock Haven.

On Tuesday evening, Dec. 13th, the second of the Star Course entertainments will come off in the court house. Mr. Leland T. Powers will entertain with his celebrated "Copperfield" impersonations. It will be one of the best of this series of entertainments, and you should not miss it.

Hon. Leonard Rhone was made chairman of the Executive Committee of the National Grange, at the recent meeting of that body at San Francisco. He is now on his way south where he expects to remain for some time in the hope of recuperating his health.

Mrs. Emerick, widow of Wm. Emerick, who recently died near Centre Hall, in the 70th year of her age, was the sister of Messrs. William, Daniel, George and Samuel Stover, and mother of Mrs. James Alexander, Mrs. C. C. Brungart and George Emerick. She was a devoted member of the Lutheran church.

Arrangements will be made for a special train from Bellefonte to accommodate those who wish to attend the Farmers' Institute to be held at State College, on January 7th and 8th next, under the management of the State Board of Agriculture. The special train will be arranged for if there is a prospect of a sufficient attendance to warrant it.

At a meeting of the Borough Council the street committee reported that the case of James Brian had been settled without cost to the borough. An action was brought by Mr. Brian to recover damages for an injury sustained by falling through a hole in the board-walk in front of the property of Ed. Brown, jr., on Bishop street, opposite the Catholic church. The borough is not responsible for damages for injuries thus incurred, but property owners are and Mr. Brown was obliged to settle the claim of Mr. Brian.

Mrs. J. A. Aikens gave a very delightful entertainment to a number of her friends at her residence, corner of Allegheny and Bishop streets, on Thanksgiving evening. In addition to guests from town, the following were from a distance: Miss Laura Long, Mr. John A. Elliot and Dr. W. S. Grimm all of Beaver Falls, Miss Effie Hamilton, of Tyrone, and Mr. Geo. H. Hood of Conneville. The accomplished Miss Emma Aikens, at home from choir at Birmingham, was also one of the party. It was a charming Thanksgiving occasion.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT MORRIS'S LIME QUARRY.

Last Friday morning the rumor spread rapidly through our town that a terribly fatal accident had occurred at the Morris limestone quarry, which is located on the road to Milesburg a short distance north west of the borough limits. The particulars, when ascertained, developed the sad fact that two of the men working at the quarry, Frank Gallagher and Joseph Mayes, had been instantly killed by an unexpected fall of rocks, and another named John Newans, had been seriously injured.

The quarry is a deep incision in the side of the hill, made by years of excavation, it having in the course of years furnished thousands of tons of stone. The face of the rock at the point where the work was going on is probably a hundred feet high, and the party was working at the north west corner of the excavation, drilling a hole on a ledge up about two thirds of the distance from the bottom. That side of the quarry presents an overhanging face, projecting some thirty or forty feet over the perpendicular. It was under this projection, close to the face of the rock, that the men were working when a quantity of loose shelly rock, some eight or ten tons in weight, became detached from the top and came thundering down in the direction where the drillers were at work. Newans was sitting down holding the drill while Gallagher and Mayes were plying the drilling sledges. At the point they were, if they had maintained their position, the rocks would have fallen beyond them, on account of the projecting character of the face of the quarry. But upon hearing the noise of the descending mass, in attempting to escape Gallagher and Mayes ran right in the way of it, were caught by it, and were literally cut to pieces. There was scarcely a bone in Gallagher's body that was not broken, he being crushed into an almost unrecognizable mass, while Mayes was nearly as badly cut up, his head being almost severed from his body. Newans, who was sitting down, hadn't the same chance of running into the way of the descending rocks as had the other two, although he was hit and seriously hurt by fragments that reached him. The rock that fell was of a shelly nature and came from the top of the quarry where it was probably loosened by the recent rains. Some of the papers greatly exaggerated its quantity in stating that it amounted to a hundred tons, and one of our local journals perpetrated the absurd exaggeration of saying that "almost every separate particle" of this alleged mass of a hundred tons was "spattered with the blood" of two men. The fact is that the whole slide did not amount to more than four or five cart loads.

Frank Gallagher lived at Howard and left a dependent family consisting of a wife and seven children. He was about 37 years of age. Joseph Mayes, the other victim, who was about 34 years of age, belonged to Boggs township, and also left a destitute family of a wife and four children. These circumstances make this accident particularly sad. The remains of these unfortunate men were buried on Sunday.

THE TEACHERS' COUNTY INSTITUTE.

The 43d annual session of the Teachers' Institute of Centre county will convene in the Court House in Bellefonte on Monday, December 16th, and continue for five days. Superintendent Wolf is busily engaged in making preparations for it and it promises to be one of the most interesting and successful that has yet been held. The instructors and lecturers who have been engaged to take part in the exercises are included in the following list: Dr. G. M. Phillips, Principal of the West Chester Normal school; Dr. E. A. Lyte, principal of Millersville Normal school; Dr. E. A. Maltby, an instructor in the same school; Wilbur Neotling, A. M., professor in Bloomsburg Normal school; F. V. Irish, A. M., Lima, Ohio; L. W. Miller, principal of the Philadelphia school of Industrial Art; J. B. Richey, A. B., principal of the Phillipsburg schools; Dr. G. G. Groff, acting president of the Bucknell University; Prof. Buckhout, of Penna. State College, and Dr. A. R. Horne will spend one day during the session.

Arrangements have been made for the following evening entertainments:

On Monday evening Dr. G. M. Phillips will lecture on "A Journey to the Golden Gate."

On Tuesday evening C. F. Underhill, the famous elocutionist and impersonator, will entertain the institute.

On Wednesday evening Frank Beard, the famous artist of Chautauqua and Judge will give "crayon sketching and chalk talks."

Thus far there has been no arrangement made for Thursday evening.

On Friday evening Robert J. Burdette will deliver his famous lecture "The Rise and Fall of the Moustache."

Directors' Day will be on Thursday when they will meet in special session at 10:30 a. m., in the Bellefonte High School room. Many topics of special interest will be presented to them for discussion. All other sessions of the institute will be held in the court house.

All orders for excursion tickets must be addressed to Supt. D. M. Wolf, at Spring Mills, enclosing a two cent stamp.

The steam heating company are adding more boilers to their steam plant.

The net proceeds of the Methodist fair and festival last Saturday evening were \$135.

The Forty Hours Devotion will begin in the Low St. John's Catholic church next Sunday, December 8th.

Judge Mayer will reserve his decision in regard to giving Cleary a new trial until the January term of court.

It is now announced that Dr. McGlynn, who failed to come to time in this place on the 19th of November, will deliver his lecture here on the 14th of January.

Robert Corl, esq., of Benner twp., and one of the best Democratic farmers in the county, butchered six hogs on Wednesday, the largest of which weighed 626 lbs. and the smallest 372.

On Friday morning last, after the extra constables sworn in to maintain order during the murder trial were discharged, Judge Furst personally complimented them, through Constable Hunter of Half-moon, for the highly satisfactory manner in which they performed their duty. They deserved it, for with all the crowd, excitement and interest displayed, the best order was maintained during the trial.

Brockway, the "Yankee Candy Man," has located in the block opposite the Bush House, and is head over ears in converting the best of sugar into the sweetest of candy. He had been doing business in Lock Haven, but was so badly drowned out by the floods that he concluded to operate in his sweet business in a town that is high and dry above the floods, and accordingly came to Bellefonte. He turns out candy of every variety and is now busy preparing his stock for the Christmas trade.

At the last regular meeting of Gregg Post No. 95 Dept. of Pa., G. A. R., held Monday evening, Dec. 2nd, the following officers were elected to serve the ensuing year: Commander, Thomas R. Benner; S. V. C., Charles Ekenroth; J. V. C., Thomas Donachy; Surgeon, William Gebret; Chaplain, F. Peobles Green; Q. M., William Jones; O. of D., A. V. Smith; O. of G., S. H. Griffith; Ordnance Officer, C. A. Glenn; Trustee, H. H. Benner; Delegates to Dept. Encampment, G. B. Brandon, S. H. William; Alternates, J. I. Curtin, Thos. Donachy.

The devil seems to be on the rampage, leading men to murderous deeds. One evening last week, at Jersey Shore, a man who goes by the name of "Kit Carson," made his way quietly into the Gamble House and without a word of caution threw a half of a brick at D. A. Cochran, which struck him on the left side of the head, stunning him for a moment or two. The brick glanced and knocked the glasses from off the eyes of James A. Davidson. The fellow was afterwards arrested and taken to Williamsport, where he secured bail. It is a very fortunate thing that the result was not fatal, or he would now be held for murder.

Mary Stiger, a girl of 14 years of age, is in the Williamsport jail for stealing a horse and wagon. Martin Myers is the owner of the stolen property. It appears that he drove to Cogan station and tied his horse about a quarter of a mile from the station. After the arrival of the train he returned to where he had left the horse and wagon and was surprised to find them gone. At first he supposed that the animal had broken loose and run away, but upon making an examination of the tracks he became convinced that they had been stolen. The trail was followed up, ending in the overtaking of the girl in possession of the stolen property, and her arrest.

How Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Potteiger, of Lock Haven, received an unexpected gift last Friday morning is related as follows by the Express of that place: "They were aroused from their slumbers early in the morning by a sharp ring of the doorbell. Mrs. Potteiger answered the ring as quickly as possible, but to her surprise found no person at the door. Soon afterwards there was a second ring which was answered with the same result and when a little later there was a third ring of the bell Mrs. P. concluded to investigate and if possible learn the cause of the mysterious ringing. Going outside, she found a basket which she carried into the house, and which to her great surprise she found contained a lovely little babe, wrapped up warmly and which was swaddled sweetly. There was a sum of money (said to be \$50) in the basket and a few articles of clothing. The temperature at the hour the baby was left at Mrs. Potteiger's house was considerably below the freezing point, and the party who left it evidently was anxious enough about its welfare to be certain that it was taken into the house before they left." It is said that Mrs. Potteiger intends to keep the little wail until called for, which may be soon, but more likely never.

THE DASTARDLY MURDER OF CLARA PRICE.

We last week briefly noticed the horrible murder of Miss Clara Price which occurred on Wednesday morning the 27th ult., on the road leading from Snow Shoe to Karthaus, her body pierced by pistol shots, having been found lying on the road not far from the latter place. Since then fuller particulars of the atrocious crime have been obtained and several arrests have been made of persons suspected of having committed it.

The victim, Miss Clara Price, was the daughter of Mr. David Price, of Karthaus. She was about 19 years of age and is represented to have been more than ordinarily handsome and of excellent character, her family being one of the most respectable in the neighborhood. She had been employed at Mr. Eugene Meeker's, in Burnside township, this county, and on the morning when she met her sad fate she had started from Mr. Meeker's residence to go to the store at Karthaus. She carried a basket containing a roll of butter for her parents, and a hood to be exchanged at the store. That was the last that was seen of her alive.

Shortly after this, during the course of the morning, James Marsteller, William Oswald and Jacob Bechdel, of Snow Shoe, came along the road leading to Karthaus bridge, on their way to Book's hunting camp, and they were shocked to see lying in the road the lifeless form of a young girl. Without giving it a close examination they alarmed the neighborhood and soon a number of excited neighbors collected around the remains which were immediately recognized as those of Miss Price. Esquire Rankin held an inquest, the jurors being W. S. Loy, Mitchell Watson, Henry Rider, John W. Rider, W. B. Potter and George Emerick. Three bullet holes were found in the body, one entering the back and going in the direction of the heart, one through the head after entering the left ear, and the third through the breast perforating the heart. The basket that was lying by her side had a bullet through it. There was evidence in the road of a struggle as if there had been a resistance to some bodily force. Her clothing was found to be torn. There were indications that she had turned and run back, and her hat was found about a rod from where she had turned to run. There could be but one conclusion and that was, that her murderer had first attempted to outrage her and that upon her resistance he had murdered her to conceal his first offense. She was shot down by the brute while she was running to save her chastity and her life. Five shots had been heard, all in quick succession, by men working near where she had been killed, but as shooting was going on continually in the woods no account was taken of it at the time.

The first impulse of the exasperated neighbors was to take measures for the discovery and arrest of the fiend who had done this bloody work. The momentous question was who did it? Samuel Emerick had seen an unknown man pass Mulholland's about 9 or 10 o'clock. He is described as having been about 5 feet 6 or 8 inches high, heavy set, with a smooth red face and wearing dark gray clothes and a dark derby hat. As, further on, he passed Michael Watson's house, he caught up to Miss Price, and she, walking very fast, crossed to the other side of the road. They continued to walk one on each side of the road until they got out of Mrs. Watson's sight. That was the last seen of her while living. The theory is that he walked on past her and secreted himself in the woods at a lonely point on the road, and then, as she came up, pounced on her like a beast to effect his hellish purpose. There was a struggle in which she repulsed him and then turned to run, and then he fired upon his retreating victim and continued to do until she fell dead in the road.

The miscreant, however, left tracks which may eventually lead to his identification and punishment. His boot tracks were plainly perceptible leading into the woods about a rod above where the murder had been committed.

Prompt action was taken to discover and apprehend the murderer. A description of the man who was seen on the road with Miss Price, and to whom suspicion most reasonably attached, was printed and scattered broadcast. The people of Karthaus offered a reward of \$150 for his apprehension, and the young woman's father also offered a hundred.

A clue was discovered that pointed to a man named Alfred Andrews, of Brinsib, Clearfield county, who answered the description of the man seen on the road with Miss Price, and who was known to have been in the neighborhood at the time the crime was committed, hunting for work, as he represented.

The foot prints that were visible in the road together with the foot prints of the victim, were made by shoes 10 1/2 inches in length. They were plainly marked at the place where the struggle appeared to have taken place, and followed the victim in her short flight, passing the body some twenty feet and then turning off into the woods. In the direction they took, about two miles from the road, a man who has since turned out to be Andrews came suddenly upon a party

of men working in the woods at Moyer's lumber camp, at about 11 o'clock. He seemed to be surprised at encountering them, but said that he was looking for a job of work. They told him that the boss was some distance away and directed him where to find him. He went away, but it appears that he did not hunt up the boss for work.

About 12 o'clock while the same party of workmen were taking their lunch, the same man came on them again out of the woods. A heavy fog was prevailing at the time and he made the excuse that he had lost his way, and inquired the route to Snow Shoe. He being told what direction to take, he left again without inquiring further for work.

These circumstances led to the suspicion that this man Andrews was the criminal, and that while he was blundering through the woods he was trying to escape from the scene of his crime. Following this clue chief-of-police Wolf, John Truman and Harry Simler, of Phillipsburg, proceeded to Brinsib last Sunday, where it was known that Andrews lived, and arrested him at the house of a man by the name of Wetherson, with whom he was staying.

He was found in the cellar working with some potatoes, and was greatly startled when told that he was arrested for the murder of Clara Price. A search was made for a revolver on his person or in the house, but none could be found. He made no resistance and admitted that he had been in the Karthaus neighborhood on the preceding Wednesday, but had been looking for work and failing to obtain it there had returned home. He said that he was an Englishman by birth. He was then taken to Phillipsburg and placed in the lockup over Sunday night. He made a statement there accounting for his movements immediately before and after the time of the murder. His reason for going to the camp in the woods was that his work at Houtzdale not being a steady job he resolved to go to the woods to try and get work at cutting props, leaving Houtzdale on Tuesday. He reached as far as Viaduct where he was permitted to get on the freight, there being no passenger trains running on account of the flood. Having reached the Summit he continued his journey and walked to Mrs. Craft's house, where he had supper and slept that night. The next morning, Wednesday, at eight he left the house and started for the woods. Just before he reached the turning of the township road he saw two little girls leave their home for school, as they appeared to him. Andrews hoped that the little girls, who were in seeing distance, might have observed him, which would conclusively prove he could not have been at the fatal spot, as it is supposed he was. He turned down the township road and turned in to the woods, reaching Moyer's camp about noon—the men being at dinner. He asked if there was a chance for work and was told by the men that they thought there was a chance at Smith's camp a few miles distant. When told that about 60 men were there and there was little chance there, he concluded that he would go on to Karthaus. He inquired which was the nearest track from the woods to the main road, and followed it, and on coming to a part of the creek he attempted to wade through, but being already above his knees in water he retraced his steps and went by the way he came. Having reached the road he proceeded to Karthaus, but when on the journey about a half mile he further concluded, after deliberating in his mind, that as no prospect of work presented itself to him he would return to his home at Brinsib. He reached Goron Heights on Wednesday night, and on Thursday morning he started for home at four o'clock and walked the entire journey as far as Osceola, where he mounted a freight train and reached Brinsib in the afternoon. He claims he was not near the spot where the victim was so brutally murdered.

Andrews was brought to Bellefonte from Phillipsburg on Monday morning's train and as he passed up High street on his way to jail, handcuffed and in charge of an officer, he was attended by a crowd who appeared to be more curious than excited by the heinousness of the crime with which he was charged. He had a frightened look which probably was natural in the situation in which he found himself. Since his incarceration we understand that he makes some very incoherent statements. He admits that he was on the road with Miss Price and saw her, and professes to have heard shots after he had passed her. In his Phillipsburg statement he denied having been near the place where the body was found. He is evidently greatly troubled, with the appearance of eventually breaking down. Having stated that the shoes he wore when brought to jail were not the ones he wore when he was on the road near Karthaus hunting for work, and that he had left those at the house he was arrested at in Brinsib, the Commissioners set for them and received them by express on Wednesday morning. In length they tally exactly with the foot prints found in the road where the murder was committed and leading into the woods. It was observed that the left foot print was more indistinct

than the right. In examining the left shoe it is seen that the sole is almost gone except at the toe, and that it would naturally make an indistinct print in the ground. There are blood spots on the shoes, but he alleges that he had killed a chicken the day before he was arrested. Appearances are very much against the prisoner.

HOPKINS SENTENCED TO BE HANGED.—W. F. Reeder, esq., counsel for the convicted murderer Hopkins, having made a motion for a new trial, Judge Furst appointed Saturday at 2 p. m. for a hearing of the motion. His counsel offered no special reasons why his case should be tried over again, but asked for a stay of sentence, which was refused. District Attorney Meyer then moved that sentence be pronounced upon the prisoner. Hopkins was then brought into court, showing the same spirit of bravado he displayed during the trial. The following are the incidents connected with the passing of the sentence:

By the Court: Mr. Hopkins, stand up. Have you anything to say why sentence of death should not be pronounced upon you according to law?

Hopkins answered, "No, sir."

By the Court: Mr. Hopkins, you have been convicted, by a jury of your own countrymen, of the highest crime of murder, the murder of a member of your own family. You have had a fair impartial trial, your counsel was zealous for the discharge of every duty to protect you, and saw that you had a fair and just trial. You had a conscientious jury, sworn to try the issue between you and the Commonwealth, and a true deliverance make. The jury, under the evidence, found you guilty of murder in the first degree. There cannot be a question, there cannot be a doubt but that the verdict is the exact truth in your case. You committed the crime in cold blood, you committed it with malice in your heart, premeditated it before you resolved to commit it, and you lay in wait, in your own house at midnight, watching for that purpose. We have little else to say to you but this: That you need expect no clemency from the Governor of this Commonwealth or the Board of Pardons. You must make your addresses for pardon and forgiveness to a Higher Power, and we commend you to a prayerful consideration of your own position. We say to you kindly and with the best feelings of our heart, to repent of your sins and seek pardon from God, whose laws you have offended. The penalty of your crime is death. It is the consequence of your own life, it is the consequence of your own crime. By your crime you have forfeited your life, and we say to you, in conclusion, to make your peace with God. Seek His pardon and it may be that you may be forgiven if you repent in sincerity and truth.

The sentence of the Court is, that you William S. Hopkins, prisoner at the Bar, be taken hence to the jail of Centre county, from whence you came, and from thence to the place of execution, and that you be there hanged by the neck until you are dead, and may God Almighty have mercy on your soul.

The prisoner was then led back to prison to await the next scene in the tragedy, which will be enacted on the gallows. This was the first death sentence passed in this county since that of Munks in 1818.

Pomona Grange of Centre county will meet in the hall of Progress Grange at Centre Hall, Friday, Dec. 20, at half-past ten o'clock a. m. A full attendance from subordinate Granges is desired. The report of the committee on the Pic-nic will be made at that time, which will be a matter of interest to all Grangers within the county.

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Rye, per bushel.....	45
Corn, ears, per bushel.....	20
Corn, shelled, per bushel.....	40
Oats—new, per bushel.....	25
Barley, per bushel.....	45
Buckwheat per bushel.....	50
Cloverseed, per bushel.....	\$1.00 to \$1.06
Ground Plaster, per ton.....	9.00

Bellefonte Produce Markets.

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Potatoes per bushel.....	50
Eggs, per dozen.....	25
Lard, per pound.....	8
Country larders.....	8
Sides.....	10
Hams.....	14
Fallow, per pound.....	25 1/2
Butter, per pound.....	25
Onions, per bushel.....	65
Turnips, per bushel.....	25

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