

# Democratic Watchman

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## THINGS ABOUT TOWN & COUNTY.

—The Clinton county tobacco crop is reported as being unusually large this season.

—Good progress is being made in the erection of Mr. Frank Montgomery's new house on Linn street.

—The ladies of the Episcopal church gave a supper, in their usual excellent style, in the Bush Arcade on Thursday evening.

—Miss Ella Levy, one of Bellefonte's most efficient lady teachers, has been prostrated for some weeks by typhoid fever.

—Druggist Zeller is having the ground prepared for the erection of several tenements on the rear of his premises.

—Rev. W. K. Foster, of Millifield, has received and accepted a call from the Presbyterian congregation at Mechanicsburg.

—Mr. Frank Lohr, of Buffalo Run, sustained a painful accident on Thursday of last week by driving a pick through his foot while digging a ditch.

—Messrs. W. I. Fleming, H. P. Harris and W. L. Malin were delegates from Centre county to the Republican State League that met in Philadelphia this week.

—If Brother McKnight could have dispensed some steam heat on several days this week he would have received the thanks of quite a number of shivering mortals.

—The attention of the lady readers of the WATCHMAN is called to the card of Mrs. N. R. Dan, to be found in this issue of the WATCHMAN. It will be of interest to them.

—As a provision for the murder trial that will come off in November, the court has directed that the unusual number of fifty-six traverse jurors be drawn for that term.

—Remember, one week from next Saturday, or October 4th, is the last day on which you can pay your tax or become naturalized, as a qualification to vote at the next election.

—Mrs. Catharine Houser, recently deceased at her home at Houserville, had reached the extreme age of 89 years. She was the widow of Martin Houser, who died 35 years ago at the age of 65 years.

—The members of the Lutheran church at Aaronsburg gave a most cordial reception to their pastor, Rev. A. G. Wolf, who recently returned to his charge with a bride whom he married at Abbotstown, Pa.

—Several cases of typhoid fever are reported at the little town of Farrandsville, Clinton county, and it is suggested that the State Board of Health should be notified of the outbreak in order that something may be done to stop its spread.

—That was a long-winded conference the Democratic nominees in the thirty-eighth Senatorial district had at Kane last week. On the 15th ballot Harry A. Hall, of Elk county, received the final nomination. He will be elected, of course.

—Although engineer Tussey escaped from the recent wreck on the Bellefonte & Lewisburg railroad as if by a miracle, without any apparent injury, he was compelled to lay off duty for some time to recover from the shaking up he got in his dangerous adventure.

—The illegal fishermen of Renovo, who were arrested by the fish-warden of Clinton county for violating the fish laws, were fined each \$20 and \$5 attorney fees. As there is no use to have laws unless they are enforced, the punishment must be considered right and proper.

—The Bellefonte friends of General Hastings will regret to learn that he was not elected Director General of the Chicago World's Fair. On Thursday of last week the Directors elected Col. Geo. R. Davis to that high office, the vote being 50 for Davis to 44 for Hastings.

—The annual reunion of the 110th Pa. Reg., at Philipsburg last week, was a gratifying success, much of which was due to the attention and hospitality extended to the veterans by the citizens of that place, who raised over a hundred dollars to meet incidental expenses, and were liberal and attentive in other ways.

—Farmers say that the coming winter will be a mild one, and their reason for the prediction is this: The hornets have built small nests and high up on the trees, higher even than they did last year. This the farmers say is an unfailing sign of a mild winter. Now let us see what the hornets know about the weather.

## PRESIDENT HARRISON ON CENTRE COUNTY SOIL.

—Last Saturday Phillipsburg had the distinction of containing within its limits a live President of the United States. Mr. Harrison, who is winding up his protracted outing at Cresson, as the guest of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, after his sojourn in the gift cottage at Cape May, was induced to pay a visit to the Clearfield coal region, an invitation having been extended to him through the medium of Rev. W. H. Dill, of Clearfield, and Hon. John Patton, of Curwensville. Accordingly, in company with Mrs. Harrison and a number of attendants, he started last Saturday morning, and, first reaching Houtzdale, he was there greeted by a large crowd that had been attracted by the curiosity to see a President. In the programme of reception the Grand Army took a prominent part, and an organization of school girls was assigned the duty of throwing flowers into the carriage containing the President and his wife. There was an evergreen arch under which the distinguished visitors passed, and a grand stand to which Mr. Harrison was conducted by Adjutant General D. H. Hastings. Brief speeches were made to which the President briefly replied, and then the Presidential party started for Philipsburg where they arrived at about 3 o'clock. There also a large crowd was waiting to receive him, and there was also some cheering when he alighted from the train, which was entirely natural and proper. The band played a patriotic air and the reception committee took him and Mrs. Harrison in charge, the chief burgesses leading the former, and General Hastings the latter to the carriage that was to take them around town. The rest of the visiting party were put in other carriages, and the procession then proceeded to go through the principal streets of the town. This was about all that was done, as the President did not alight until he got back to the station when he took the cars for Clearfield and Curwensville. The visiting party consisted of President Harrison and wife; Mr. McKee, the President's son-in-law, and his wife; the President's private secretary, Mr. Halford; Mrs. Dimmick; General Hastings; Hon. John Patton; Frank L. Sheppard, General Superintendent of the P. R. R.; Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant Passenger Agent P. R. R.; S. S. Blair, Supt. T. & C. R. R.; Rev. W. H. Dill and wife.

**A DELIBERATE SUICIDE.**—John Archev, aged about sixty, an old and well known farmer of Franklin township, Huntingdon county, displayed extraordinary deliberation and method in getting himself out of the world. He was in Tyrone last week, where he was a familiar figure, and for some days previous to his self destruction kept himself busy settling up all his accounts, paying every bill against, and taking notes for his bills due him; in fact he wound up his business affairs thoroughly, evidently with the deliberate intention of putting an end to his life. Tuesday evening he acted rather strangely, driving in the cows and doing other small pieces of work which he had not been accustomed to perform. On coming to the house he remarked to his son that he was thinking of killing himself. His son, startled at this remark, endeavored to turn his thoughts from the horrible direction they were taking, and warned him not to speak in such a way before his wife. Mr. Archev thereupon said he would lie down awhile. He did so, but when Mrs. Archev went to awaken him for supper, she found him in a deep slumber. He had taken laudanum, and was slowly dying. A physician was called in and worked with him all night, leaving him about five o'clock in the morning apparently on the road to recovery, but he died an hour later from the effects of the deadly drug.

**DEDICATION OF A CHAPEL.**—The Methodist chapel in Coleville, a suburb of this place, which was built this summer, was dedicated last Sunday afternoon. It was a beautiful day, and the fine weather, together with the interest of the occasion, drew a large attendance. In order to accommodate the concourse of people that was expected, seats were fitted up outside, where the sermon was preached by Rev. Pennepacker, of Clearfield. The dedication ceremonies were performed by Rev. Hauck and Pennepacker. At preliminary services in the Bellefonte Methodist church in the morning \$200 was raised for the benefit of the new chapel, leaving about \$150 yet to be raised, which we believe was secured at the dedication in the afternoon. The new edifice is a neat little building, with a seating capacity of almost two hundred, and will be of great service to the Methodists of Coleville.

**A BIG FISH.**—Warren G. Lingle, a lad aged twelve years, residing near Shawsville, Clearfield county, succeeded in catching a salmon trout in the Susquehanna river below that place recently which weighed 10½ pounds and measured 33 inches in length. His uncle, who was fishing a short distance above the boy, saw the struggle and ran to the rescue just in time to capture the monster fish after it had broken the line and downed the boy, who was fighting to keep him on shore.

—The Evangelical Lutheran Synod opened at Philipsburg on Wednesday with a sermon by Rev. J. A. Earnest, of Millifield.

—Gov. Curtin is going to improve the front of his residence on High street by a handsome new portico, more imposing in appearance than the old one, which has been removed.

—The remodeled Brockhoff House, the work on which is drawing to completion, will be one of the handsomest and most attractive looking structures in Bellefonte. The style of architecture is unique.

—James Harris & Co., has furnished enlarged accommodations to their extensive hardware business by the erection of the large warehouse which they have had built along Spring Creek north of Potter's livery stable.

—Mr. Gilbert Beaver, of this place, son of Governor Beaver, is in the service of the Pennsylvania State Committee of the Y. M. C. A., and is doing some educating talking to the Associations in various parts of the State. Gilbert is a good young man.

—The Philipsburg papers are full of exultation over the visit of President Harrison to their town. They would have gone entirely wild if he had brought Baby McKee along with him. Unfortunately that interesting infant was left at Cresson with his nurse.

—Last Wednesday Mrs. Loretta Yohey, of Pleasant Gap, received a check for \$1000, insurance on the life of her late husband, Jerome J. Yohey, from the Union Central Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati, paid by Mr. W. H. Musser, general agent for Centre county.

—Rev. W. L. Hayden received a dispatch on Wednesday morning announcing the death of his mother at her home in Alliance, Ohio. He immediately departed for that place. The Reverend gentleman expects to get back on Saturday evening so as to be able to fill his appointment on Sunday.

—A venerable turtle turned up in Getz's woods, Dunstable township, Clinton county, one day last week, with the letters "J. N., 1833," distinctly engraved on its antique shell. The initials are supposed to be those of John Neff, who many years ago owned the property upon which the aged turtle still lives and enjoys life.

—Somerset county has had another case of masked burglars. One night recently disguised soundrels entered a hut near Somerset, occupied by Lobengier Kimmell, an old man of 70, tied him to a bed post with wire and ransacked the house. They succeeded in finding \$120 in gold, which had been received the day before by Kimmell for a horse that he sold.

—Miss Mollie Snyder will return from New York, Saturday, the 27th of Sept., with the largest assortment of millinery that will be opened in Bellefonte or Centre county. Miss Savage returns with her as trimmer. Will have a full line of Paris and New York pattern hats for opening on Thursday, Oct. 9th. Invites all to call.

—Henry Noll, whose sudden death at Philipsburg last week, at the age of thirty-five, was followed by his interment at Milesburg, was the brother of Emanuel Noll, of Bellefonte, James Noll, of Milesburg, Thomas Noll, of Pleasant Gap, Geo. Noll, of Boggs township, Mrs. Henry Walkey, of Bellefonte, and Mrs. Mary Swartz, of Storeysburg, Somerset county.

—It is early in the season, yet the bear stories are already coming in. The Renovo News says a bear which weighed four hundred pounds was shot on the mountains in the vicinity of Glen Union, Thursday, by a young man whose name is not given. It required five shots to kill the animal, four of which lodged in its body and one in the head. The hide measured eleven feet in length, and those who saw it pronounced it the largest bear ever caught in that section.

—One of the old citizens of this county who have recently been called to the other world, was Irvin Leach, residing about three miles west of Centre Hall, whose death, at the age of 70, occurred last week. Although somewhat eccentric he was a useful man in his day, he having assisted in raising over one hundred barns in the section in which he lived. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, unmarried, and lived on the farm with his brother John.

—The unclaimed articles of value found at Johnstown after the great flood of '89 were sold at auction in Philipsburg, recently. The proceeds are to be devoted to the erection of a monument to the unknown dead. The prices brought were low, valuable articles going for a few dollars. The sale will not realize over \$1000. Many persons who had lost relatives in the flood attended the sale and carefully examined every article in the hope of obtaining some clue to the burial place of the lost ones. The hopes of some were gratified.

## A TALE OF AN OVERCOAT.

—During the granger's picnic Mr. Frank Montgomery, of this place, had a stock of clothing on the ground for exhibition and for sale. Among his customers was a young man named Henry Weaver, who is also called Henry Pennington, who during the day bought a light overcoat. It appears that afterwards he came to the conclusion that he ought to have a heavier one, and, acting upon this idea, he came back in the evening to Mr. Montgomery's stand and stole another overcoat that would be more suitable for cold weather. He was seen to take it by some one, but not being challenged with the theft he left undisturbed for Bellefonte. When Mr. Montgomery became aware of the loss of the coat, and who took it, and where the thief had gone, he telephoned to the authorities at Bellefonte to arrest him. Upon the information coming to District Attorney Meyer he informed the Sheriff and they both went out on the street to see whether their customer was visible. It wasn't long before they saw the overcoat man coming up the street wearing the coat he had purchased. He went into the barber shop under the National Bank. They soon followed and found him in the barber's chair with his face well lathered. Mr. Meyer asked him if he was Henry Pennington, and upon his replying in the affirmative, that officer told him that he had a warrant for him for stealing an overcoat from Frank Montgomery at the granger's picnic. Whether he got red in the face upon this announcement could not be seen on account of the lather, but he took the matter very coolly, startling the officers by the candid expression, "By G—d, I done it." There was no occasion for further parleying after such an acknowledgment, and the District Attorney handed him over to the Sheriff to be taken in charge after his face had been scraped. He gave bail in the sum of \$500 for his appearance at Court, and it is altogether likely that in the warmth of a prison cell he will have no use for an overcoat next winter.

## RECORD OF THE FIFTH REGIMENT.

The report of Major Patterson, Inspector of the Second Brigade, National Guard, as to the standing of the different companies in the brigade at the inspection last spring, has been filed at the Adjutant General's office. It shows the following rating of efficiency and attendance for the Fifth Regiment, graded to 100 as perfect: Fifth Regiment, Col. Burchfield, efficiency, 57.8; Co. A, Capt. Bare, efficiency, 57.8; Co. B, Capt. Reber, efficiency, 71.6; Co. C, Capt. Bell, efficiency, 56.5; Co. C, Capt. Kennedy, efficiency, 44.2; Co. F, Capt. Braughler, attendance, 85.7; efficiency, 61.4; Co. G, Capt. Elder, attendance, 85.7; efficiency, 63.4; Co. H, Capt. Wonders, attendance, 77.7; efficiency, 47.9; Co. I, Capt. McNamara, attendance, 74.6; efficiency, 33.

## REARRESTED.

—The young man Holingworth who was arrested last week on the charge of carrying a revolver which he had recklessly flourished, and was discharged on the Dogberry decision of Assistant Burgess Swoopce that there was no law to hold him for such an offense, was rearrested on Thursday of last week for a similar misdemeanor. He had been encouraged by the previous failure of justice to flourish his revolver again. For the second offense he was committed to jail, but was released upon his giving bail to appear in court for trial. It is time that the law should come down on this revolver business with a heavy hand.

## MORTALITY AMONG FISH.

—It is reported that a remarkable mortality prevails among the fish in Penn's creek, and that large numbers of them, particularly suckers and chubs, are seen floating dead on the surface of the stream. Upon examination it was seen that a parasite in the form of a worm kills them. The worm starts at the head of the fish and eats its way to the tail, leaving the back of the fish raw and sore. The worm is as thick as a lead pencil, growing to that size as it eats its way along, it no doubt being quite small when it starts at the back of the head. Even the fish must have their affliction in this troublesome worm.

## AN ATTEMPTED INCENDIARISM.

—Last Friday night a box containing chips cut with a knife, and straw saturated with lubricating oil, was placed at the side of the porch of Mr. William B. Mingle, cashier of the Pennsylvania Bank, in Centre Hall, with the obvious purpose of setting fire to the building. The combustibles had been set on fire, but ignition had failed apparently in consequence of a sack having been thrown over the box. Mr. Mingle's family at the time were attending the granger's picnic and found these preparations to burn them out, when they returned on Saturday morning.

## NEXT YEAR AT LOCK HAVEN.

—At the big gathering of the State Firemen's Association at Chester last week, which was a great demonstration and in every respect a great success, it was determined to hold the next convention at Lock Haven on the third Thursday of September, 1891.

—Our Hebrew citizens abstained from business on Wednesday and observed it as the day of Atonement.

—Go and see Tony Farrell and his company of stars artists play the Irish Corporal in the opera house on Monday night.

—Having perfected arrangements for handling grain, we are prepared to buy at our Bishop street warehouse all kinds of grain at market prices, and exchange flour for wheat.

36-4t BROCKERHOFF BROS.

—The celebrated Dr. Pepper, of Philadelphia, was carried over the P. & E. railroad last Monday to Erie, to attend Hon. Wm. L. Scott, who is dangerously ill at his home in that place.

—The Prohibitionists of Huntingdon county held a convention on Tuesday and nominated for re-election Associate Judge McCarthy, of anti-license fame, whom the Republicans refused to renominate.

—Cold weather is approaching. Consumers in want of hard coal, can buy it of Messrs. McCalmont Co., at lower prices than it can be bought elsewhere. To test the truth of this statement, ask them for prices of hard coal.

—Mr. Tony Farrell, the comedian who will play the Irish Corporal in the opera house on Monday night, Sept. 29th, is said to be one of the best Irish impersonators on the theatrical boards. His songs are all new and catchy and the play in which he stars is a beautiful comedy, free from all offensive or slangy expressions.

—Dr. Hoy and Mr. Isaac Houpt, of this place, are interesting themselves in introducing blooded stock into this neighborhood. In the early part of this season they bought several horses of high grade, which were followed by Cotswold sheep and an improved breed of hogs. Mr. Houpt has now purchased a full blooded Holstein bull.

—The Irish Corporal will be played on Monday night next in the opera house. The company giving this play is one of the best on the road. You should not miss it.

—The Democratic Senatorial conference of the district composed of Centre, Clinton and Clearfield, met in Tyrone on Wednesday to agree upon a candidate for the district. The candidates presented by the respective counties are Messrs. T. J. Hipple, of Clinton, Mat. Savage of Clearfield, and P. Gray Meek of Centre. Up to time of going to press there had been no nomination made.

—The finest and largest line of Foreign and Domestic wools for suitings and overcoats—ever shown by us—Full assortment of Ready Made clothing—Hats, Caps, and Furnishing Goods. MONTGOMERY & Co. Tailors.

**A STRAY CHILD.**—Some days ago Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Hoy, of Hublersburg, had occasion to go to Lock Haven, taking their little three-year-old girl with them. While they were in a store in that place the child slipped away from them and disappeared. Of course the parents were alarmed, but by the aid of a policeman they traced the little runaway and found her in a remote part of the town where a family had picked her up and taken good care of her.

—Having perfected arrangements for handling grain, we are prepared to buy at our Bishop street warehouse all kinds of grain at market prices, and exchange flour for wheat.

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## U. B. APPOINTMENTS.

—At the United Brethren conference held at Scottsdale this week, among the other appointments the following were made for this county: Philipsburg, W. Cramer; Bellefonte, G. W. Eminhizer; Port Matilda, G. Noden; Stormstown, W. A. Jackson; Millheim, yet to be supplied.

**POETS OF AMERICA.**—It may be of interest to the many friends of J. S. Barnhart, who thirty years ago was the editor and publisher of this paper, to know that he is still living and appears with a Biography and Portraits of the Poets of America. This book contains 1036 double column pages, is handsomely bound, and illustrated with 500 portraits and biographical sketches. It is published in Chicago by Thomas W. Herrington. Mr. Barnhart has a few copies at his disposal. The editor speaks in high term of the excellence of his compositions.

## MOVING FOR A PARDON.

—Petitions are out for the Board of Pardons to reconsider the case of Fietta Weaver who at the April term of court was convicted of voluntary manslaughter in the killing of her father-in-law, Andrew Weaver, and is now undergoing a term of imprisonment in the western penitentiary for that offense. The petitioners represent that they believe that the offense of which the defendant was convicted was committed in self-defense, and on account of her extreme ignorance and inability to understand the consequences, she refused, when put on trial, to interpose the plea of self-defense. Believing that the killing was an act of self-defense, the petitioners ask for her pardon.

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**IN JAIL FOR THEFT.**—Last Sunday night a man named Daniel Keefe was arrested in Lock Haven on the charge of having stolen a satchel and goods—of value of \$125 from a peddler at Sandy Ridge, this county. He was an ugly customer and the officers who made the arrest had considerable trouble with him. He was brought to Bellefonte and is now in jail awaiting trial.

## COULDN'T HOLD HIM ON A CHARGE

**POCKET PICKING.**—Last week Mr. Daniel Garman, of this place, while attending the granger's picnic at Centre Hall, had his pocket picked in the big crowd that had gathered there. He did not discover his loss, which amounted to about \$80, until he was on the train returning to Bellefonte. After the discovery he returned to the grounds and made it known, and Henry Miller, a railroad engineer residing in Spring township, who was in attendance at the picnic, alleged that he saw some one raiding Mr. Garman's pocket, and designated a person who called himself Geo. E. Ruff, a fakir from Philadelphia, as the thief who had released Mr. Garman of his pocket book. Ruff was accordingly arrested on Saturday and brought to Bellefonte, where he was lodged in jail over Sunday, and had a hearing before Squire Foster on Monday. Miller, the witness, weakened considerably on his first statement, and as the Squire thought there was not sufficient evidence to hold Ruff he was discharged.

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—The ladies of the U. B. church of this place will hold a fair and festival, Sept. 27th, in the Bush Arcade. Meals will be served at all hours during the day in restaurant style.

—The Prohibition State committee met in Harrisburg on Wednesday and substituted JOHN L. GILL, of Westmoreland county, as their candidate for Governor in place of CHARLES MILLER, of Venango, who declined the nomination that had been given him. To complete these side-show State tickets RYNDER should be nominated as the Labor candidate for Governor. He is so well fitted to be the representative of toil.

**SIXTY YEARS OLD.**—The many Bellefonte friends and acquaintances of Hon. S. R. Peal, of Lock Haven, will be interested in the fact that on last Saturday he reached the sixtieth milestone in his life's journey. On that occasion there was a pleasant reunion of his immediate relatives at his residence, consisting of his own and his sisters' families. He is the only male representative of his father's family, the late Dr. John W. Peale, of Sunbury. His five living sisters were present, as follows: Mrs. Dr. Haas, of Mahanoy, Northumberland county; Mrs. Dr. Lumley, of Williamsport; Mrs. Dr. Musgrove and Mrs. Huling, of Lock Haven, and Miss Theresa Peale. The reunion was a pleasant occasion. The ex-Senator, although within a decade of three score and ten, is well preserved physically and mentally, and we trust that he has many useful years ahead of him.

## 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:

Wheat, per bushel.....	90
Read wheat, per bushel.....	85
Rye, per bushel.....	55
Corn, ears, per bushel.....	27
Corn, shelled, per bushel.....	35
Oats—new, per bushel.....	40
Barley, per bushel.....	55
Buckwheat, per bushel.....	50
Cloverseed, per bushel.....	\$4.00 to \$6.00
Ground Plaster, per ton.....	9 00

## Bellefonte Produce Markets.

Corrected weekly by Sechler & Co. The following are the quotations up to six o'clock, Thursday evening, when our paper goes to press:

Potatoes, per bushel.....	80
Eggs, per dozen.....	20
Lard, per pound.....	7
Country shoulders.....	8
Sides.....	8
Hams.....	12½
Butter, per pound.....	25
Onions, per bushel.....	75

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Papers will not be sent out of Centre county unless paid for in advance. A liberal discount is made to persons advertising by the quarter, half year, or year, as follows:

SPACE OCCUPIED.	3m	6m	1y
One inch (12 lines this type).....	\$ 5	\$ 8	\$ 12
Two inches.....	7	10	15
Three inches.....	10	15	20
Quarter Column (¾ inches).....	12	20	30
Half Column (9 inches).....	20	35	55
One Column (18 inches).....	35	65	100

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