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THINGS ABOUT TOWN & COUNTY.

George Bush has fire crackers on tap for the Fourth of July some of which cost \$1.50 apiece. They will make noise enough to scare even the American eagle.

The Lutherans of this place propose going ahead, this summer, with the erection of their new church, the foundation of which has been completed for some time.

Mr. Roland C. Richards, a former resident of Milesburg, and one of the first conductors on the Bald Eagle valley railroad, died at his home in Erie a few days ago.

Both of the Bellefonte fire companies, the Logans and the Uadines, have accepted invitations to attend the State Firemen's Convention in Lock Haven in September.

The Hope Fire Company, of Phillipsburg, is negotiating with the Clearfield Cornet Band, whose services they wish to secure for the Fourth of July celebration at Bellefonte.

An industrial parade will be one of the features of the Bellefonte Fourth of July parade, thirty-five business firms having already signified their intention of taking part in it.

Rev. Mr. Clero, of Phillipsburg, officiated in the Episcopal church of this place, last Sunday, and also at the funeral of the infant son of Rev. Mr. Davis, pastor of the church.

Mr. Abel Campbell, a former Centre county man with hosts of friends hereabouts, is present residing at Austin, Potter county, was a welcome visitor to Bellefonte on Wednesday last.

An infant child of Rev. J. O. Davis, died suddenly last Saturday afternoon, of convulsions. He was an interesting little boy and the parents have the sympathy of their many friends.

Both the Logan and the Undine fire companies have accepted invitations to go to Lock Haven on the occasion of the Firemen's State convention in September and they will take the steamer along.

Mrs. Twitmore, wife of Dr. Thomas Twitmore, formerly of this place, died on Thursday last week at Mitchell, Cambria county, where the Doctor has been practicing for some years.

Dr. Dart, who went to see his brother in Tioga county, who had been seriously hurt, was taken ill while there, which accounts for his delay in returning to Bellefonte. His brother is recovering.

The fellows who expose their full grown and naked carcasses in the dam of the car works in day light should be taken charge of by the police. Such proceedings might do in Central Africa, but they won't do in Bellefonte.

The school teachers of Bellefonte after the exhausting duties of the long term of teaching which closed last week, are contemplating a recreative excursion to Bedford Springs. They have caused a season of pleasure and relaxation.

Hoover, Hughes & Co., of Phillipsburg, will cut and slide about 10,000,000 feet of logs on their lands near Penfield this season. This will yield 5,000 cords of bark, half of which will go to the Clearfield tannery and the other half will go to Penfield.

Rev. Father McArdle, of the Catholic church of this place, will start next month on a visit to his old home in Ireland. His arduous and efficient pastoral service, continued unintermittently for a number of years, fully entitles him to a season of rest and recreation.

Two colored men, imprisoned in the Lock Haven jail for an assault on a family of the name of Sneed, escaped from their prison cells last Monday afternoon, but they were recaptured near the water tank along the railroad and returned to the lodgings from which they had so unceremoniously skipped.

It is said that Bellefonte will have a \$10,000 beauty in the 4th of July parade in that place, and that she will be a resident of the county. Don't know where they'll find her unless they come to Phillipsburg.—Phillipsburg Journal.—We have that kind of beauty, of home production, right here in Bellefonte. It isn't necessary to send out of town for it.

The remains of Alexander McCafferty, jr., who was taken off in his early manhood by that dread disease, consumption, were laid in the Catholic cemetery last Saturday morning, after services in the Catholic church by Rev. Father McArdle. Pall-bearers were as follows: Geo. E. Heath, Andrew Howley, John McGinley, Patrick McCabe, Joseph McMahon and James McCafferty, Jr.

A SAD DEATH.—We are deeply grieved to announce to our readers the bereavement in the family of Mr. John P. Harris, caused by the last sleep of his daughter, Nan G., wife of Mr. Bowman Weaver, of Clearfield. She had been suffering several weeks from peritonitis and was thought to have safely tided over all danger, but on the Sabbath she became suddenly worse and, in the afternoon, the eighth anniversary of her wedding, she was graciously "called into the marriage supper of the Lamb," in the 29th year of her life, with the early dew of womanhood still fresh upon her.

"So many worlds, so much to do, So little done, such things to be, How know I what had need of thee, For thou wert strong as thou wert true." She had cast the sunshine of her short life over a multitude of fellow creatures as was evidence by the universal sorrow and unity in paying a last tribute to one of God's fairest creatures. Each flower, in the abundance heaped upon her grave, expressed a loving thought of her and thanks to Him for having loaned his child to be one of us.

To the husband and little daughter we hope may come the sweet presence suggested by Whittier's O thou who mournest on thy way, With longings for the close of day: He walks with thee, that angel kind, And gently whispers, "Be resigned; Bear up, bear on, the end shall tell The dear Lord ordereth all things well."

THE FOURTH OF JULY DEMONSTRATION.—Everything is moving favorably for great results on the Fourth of July in Bellefonte. The committee on decoration are perfecting arrangements for a beautiful and thorough decoration of the streets. The entertainment committee are preparing for the reception of fire companies and other organizations. It has been definitely ascertained that there will be no less than eight fire companies in the parade, and to these will be added military companies, including a troop of cavalry, the G. A. R. of the county in large force, fantastic companies, civic organizations, brass bands, and an industrial display in which many of the business firms of the town and county will take part. It will be the liveliest Independence Day that Bellefonte has seen in a long while and thousands will come from all the surrounding region to take part in it. They will be welcome and well received.

A GROUND HOG IN A BAD FIX.—A party of fishermen on their return trip from the headwaters of Trout Run noticed a curious sight near a camping place beyond the Knobs. It seems that while the fishing party were camping there they used considerable canned goods, and as one of the members of that party always carried a can-opener, he had opened a can, and only using a part of the contents, threw the can on the ground. A ground-hog coming that way, inserted his head in the can for the contents and got it tightly fastened, and was no doubt in that way for several days. It looked odd to see the woodchuck tossing his head about to rid itself of its tin roof. A lawyer in the crowd helped his groundhogship out of the scrape, and, like Ezekiel, he "let the woodchuck go."—Clearfield Public Spirit.

GRAND ARMY MEN TO BE HERE IN FORCE ON THE FOURTH.—The committee of arrangements connected with Gregg Post, No. 95, G. A. R., give a general invitation to the Grany Army men of the county to come to Bellefonte on the 4th of July and participate in the demonstration on that glorious occasion. In their published invitation they say: "It is desired that the Posts should be as fully represented as possible—with their Post colors and guidons, and as uniformed as possible, at least with cap and badge. Let us have a full representation of Centre County Grand Army men. Come one, come all! We will give you a soldier's welcome."

PLANNING MILL DESTROYED AT LOCK HAVEN.—Last Saturday morning the large planing mill of George W. Hipple, at Lock Haven, caught fire and was totally destroyed. The fire broke out in the north side of the building and is said to have been caused by an explosion of some kind, but what caused the explosion is not definitely known. When it occurred it seemed to run from foundation to roof, blazing both ways. Six men were more or less seriously hurt by it. The loss is estimated at \$10,000, the insurance on which is not stated. Sixty-five men are thrown out of employment in consequence of this calamity.

IT WILL BE VERY INTERESTING.—The entertainment that will be given by the Catholic School in Garman's Opera House on the evening of the 24th inst., will present many new and entertaining features. Its character will be musical and dramatic, the principal representation being an operetta called "Gyp Junior." About one hundred and fifty children on the stage will take part in marches, emotion songs, tableaux, vocal and instrumental music. They have been thoroughly trained by the ladies who have charge of the school and who are highly educated and skillful teachers.

We understand that there will be no special term of court, as was announced, as it is intended to crowd all the business into the regular August term.

The charges against Rev. W. F. D. Noble, of Houtsdale, preferred by Rev's Colburn and Zimmerman, were not sustained before the committee appointed to investigate them.

Judges will be elected this Fall in the following judicial districts: Lancaster, Northampton, Northumberland, Dauphin, Lebanon, Bedford, Somerset, Union, Snyder, Mifflin, Schuylkill, Blair, Juniata, Perry, Cambria and Luzerne.

Ex-Associate Judge Allison, of Lock Haven, in a recent trouting excursion on Trout Run, caught twelve pounds of the beauties, numbering between five and six hundred, all of which he brought to Lock Haven in good order and condition. The voracious and also voracious editor of the Lock Haven Democrat saw this fine lot of fish, and he says that, although it was after breakfast, it made the pangs of hunger gnaw at the vitals within his manly bosom.

SEVERE CRITICISM WITH A SHADE OF TRUTH IN IT.—When the working class of boys in Bellefonte have a quiet little game of euchre under a shade tree and are seen by a Bellefonte Christian(?) it is perfectly horrid and their names are immediately handed to the newspapers for publication, and are dubbed noisy, horrid, wicked boys. But when the accursed Miss So and So holds a progressive euchre party and ten or twelve brazen fops with high collars participate in it, these same newspapers give them a column puff just for the privilege of taking a hand in the game with the dear one, you know. When a Bellefonte editor gets an invitation to participate in a card party his readers are going to find it out. But we wonder if the word "progressive" makes the difference.—Phillipsburg Journal.

It is reported that Jesse Richards, of Phillipsburg, committed suicide in Wheeling, W. Va., on Saturday, by shooting himself in the head three times and then cutting his throat with a razor. Such desperation showed a grim determination to die. The following are full particulars of the occurrence: Jesse Richards, one of Phillipsburg's most excellent young men, committed suicide in his boarding house in Wheeling, W. Va., on Saturday afternoon last, at two o'clock. He had been in Wheeling but a short time, having established there the "West Virginia Short-hand and Typewriting School" of which he was principal. He was very intelligent and highly respected and his sad death is a severe blow to his many relatives and friends. It is supposed that he was for the time being in financial difficulties and it worried him so that he preferred being dead to living.

THE SHERIDAN TROOP WILL MARCH TO BELLEFONTE.—As "Orders 75" the following has been issued from the Army of Sheridan Troop, Tyrone, Pa., under date of June 12, 1891: In answer to a pressing invitation for Sheridan Troop to participate in Fourth of July celebration at Bellefonte this year, the members of the organization have almost unanimously expressed a desire to accept the same, and occupy a place in the procession.

The Troop will therefore assemble at Warriorsmark at 9 o'clock on Friday morning, July 2, 1891, mounted in light marching order. At ten o'clock the march will be taken up for Bellefonte by way of Stormstown, arriving at point of destination same evening. Boots will be worn, and, besides the arms, the rubber blanket will be carried. On parade white gloves will be worn; no standing collars permitted, summer woollen shirts preferred.

This will likely bring the troop into Bellefonte by five o'clock on the evening of the 3rd of July. They will be met by a delegation and band.

ONE AFTER WILSON.—The representations from Madison, Wisconsin, to the effect that the person detained in the jail in that place must be the Wilson who escaped from jail here, have been so strong that the conclusion has been come to that the matter should be thoroughly investigated. The descriptions sent to the District Attorney suit the appearance of Wilson as he was known here, and Mrs. Cooke, wife of Ex-Sheriff Cooke, declares that the picture sent on to Bellefonte from Madison is certainly that of John Wilson, the escaped murderer of Harry Waterhouse. Mrs. Cooke saw Wilson when in the Bellefonte jail often than anybody else, and she is said to have a great faculty for remembering faces. Prompted by these circumstances, District Attorney Meyer, in company with ex-Deputy Sheriff Robert K. Wilson, started for Madison on Tuesday evening, and as they were thoroughly acquainted with the culprit who escaped from our jail, it won't take them long to determine whether they have got the right man or not.

N. B.—A dispatch received here on Thursday afternoon from Mr. Meyer announces that the person detained in Madison is not Wilson. It is time that this Wilson nonsense stops.

THE BELLEFONTE CLUB RECEIVES.—In our last week's issue we made a short mention of the reception held by the Bellefonte Club on Thursday evening, the 11th inst., but owing to the fact that we went to press before the affair was over we were unable to give any of the details.

The reception was held in the suite of rooms occupied by the club, in the Arcade building, and by eight o'clock carriages lined High street for several squares, waiting to deposit their occupants at the entrance. Upon ascending the broad staircase and reaching the first landing, where the cards were presented, one's eye began to catch glimpses of unusual decorations, and when the lobby was reached a typical Floridian scene presented itself. At one side Stopper and Fiske's full orchestra played concert music under palms and other tropical plants, while at the other a number of divans offered snug retreats for persons who wished to hear the music.

On in through the reception hall we caught sight of the clubmen who were receiving and we were quickly ushered into the different rooms of the place. First the card room, with its perfect beauty unadorned by any superficial hangings, then the place where Bellefonte's best men go to read all the leading periodicals and papers of the day, and quickly from it into the large waiting room, which, with its quaint oak furniture and polished floors, makes a handsome rendezvous for Gov. Curtin and the proteges who delight in cracking jokes at each other's expense. The next place we saw was the billiard and pool room, but before we had time to take more than a casual glance, the music on third floor announced that dancing had begun and the gay throng had already adjourned to the ball. Thus left alone we had an opportunity to note the perfect harmony of tint and settings which make these rooms so handsome. Everywhere cut flowers and smilax were scattered in lavish profusion and the whole presenting an appearance of such soft beauty that it shall never be forgotten.

In the large hall festoons of spruce were arranged with artistic effect and as the dancers tripped merrily over the well waxed floor we longed for the halcyon days when we indulged such frivolities. Here the elaborate gowns of the fair sex were nicely displayed and as the pretty women and gallant men danced by us we were unable to single out one person as being handsomer than another, so well did every one look.

Probably the scene in the dining hall excited more admiration than any other of the rooms. Its decorations were of pale blue and pink and the candelabras cast a mellow light over a scene of singular beauty. In the centre a huge bower of flowers served as a concealment for the caterer and his assistants, and scattered about the place were the tables, enough to seat eighty guests, and yet so far from each other that not the slightest inconvenience was experienced.

The Bellefonte Club is an organization of the most prominent business and retired men of our town, and has been in existence for about three years. Its rooms are solely for the social enjoyment of its members and afford a secluded retreat where they can go to meet their friends. The reception on Thursday night was the first given by the Club and their two hundred and sixty eight guests will unite in declaring it the most elegant affair of its kind that the town has ever had.

CAUSED BY SAW DUST EXPLOSION.—The fire which destroyed the Hipple planing mill at Lock Haven last Saturday is believed to have been caused by what is called a saw dust explosion. The fine particles floating in the air become ignited, usually from the furnace under the boilers, and explode, frequently with disastrous effect. Some of the workmen in this case were seriously burned. One of them, Wm. W. Harman, died on Sunday evening from the effect of the injury he sustained in this way.

Another of the workmen, Charles Bower, who was badly burned on the face, neck, arms, hands and back, was thrown down by the force of the explosion. He says he was feeding a planing machine on the first floor when suddenly there came a concussion from the basement, as if a rock weighing many tons had been thrown up against the floor or which he stood. The force of the concussion threw him to the floor, and at the same moment the whole place seemed to be filled with a wave of intense heat or flame. As soon as he could regain his feet he ran from the building and did not know for at least ten or fifteen minutes that he was burned. He was then taken to his home on Bellefonte avenue and Dr. Bunley was called to attend him. He is doing as well as could be expected.

FESTIVAL AT BOALSBERG.—The singing society of Boalsburg will hold a festival, on Saturday evening, June 27th. Ice cream, cakes, confectionery and all the delicacies of the season will be served. Everybody is invited to go and have a good time, for the members of the society guarantee a royal reception for all who attend.

On the 1st of July the salary of the postmaster of Bellefonte will be reduced from \$2200 to \$2100.

Repairing executed with neatness and dispatch at McQuiston & Co's.

On Tuesnay Governor Pattison signed the bill giving the Central State Normal School at Lock Haven \$20,000. The bill giving the Williamsport hospital \$20,000 was also signed.

An adult Bible class is being organized in connection with the Presbyterian church of this place, and it will be taught every Sunday afternoon by Governor Beaver.

E. Brown, Jr., wants you to see his stock at his store on Bishop street.

Mrs. Nancy P. Harrald, formerly of Bellefonte, died at Flemington, on Wednesday night. Her remains will be brought to Bellefonte for interment on the Saturday morning train.

If you want furniture cheap, E. Brown, Jr.'s is the place to get it.

The Howard band will furnish the music for the festival of the Lutherans of Jacksonvill, which comes off tomorrow (Saturday) both morning and evening. All the delicacies of the season will be supplied.

Wall paper in every shade and pattern at E. Brown, Jr's on Bishop street.

Mr. Charles Schreyer, who holds a responsible position with the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad Company at Chicago, and brother of Harry Schreyer, the carpet man, is visiting in Bellefonte with his wife.

Novelties in furniture and wall paper are the order of the day at E. Brown, Jr's on Bishop street.

Hon. John B. Linn, of this place, delivered the alumni address at the commencement of the Franklin and Marshall college, which occurred this week at Lancaster. Mr. Linn was graduated at Marshall college at Mercersburg before its union with Franklin.

A Sunbury debating society is discussing the question as to which is the angriest, the husband who goes home and finds that dinner is not ready, or the wife who has dinner ready and whose husband does not come home. It is believed that the debate will end in a draw.

If you have not already visited E. Brown, Jr's new store on Bishop street you should do so at once. Great bargains await you.

Mr. Warren S. Starrett, while loading a car of lumber for the Jones Lumber Company, at the Beech Creek station, Thursday last week, hung his vest on the brake rod, which runs under the car, and forgot it. The car went eastward with the train, the vest went along, and by this time is probably being worn by some fellow down in New Jersey. Its pockets contain a \$6 check, a watch and a whistle.

McQuiston & Co's is the place to get fine buggies, carriages and wagons of every kind.

The funeral of the late Edward Graham, of this place, whose death we noticed last week, occurred last Friday at 5 p. m., the remains being taken to the Episcopal church where services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Davis who spoke in high terms of Mr. Graham's Christian character. He was the oldest communicant of the parish. The following gentlemen acted as pallbearers: Mr. P. McCafferty of Lock Haven; Messrs. J. P. Gephart, D. F. Fortney, Aaron Williams, J. P. Harris and R. McKnight, of Bellefonte.

Too MANY WILSONS.—There seems to be a multiplicity of Wilsons, and the number of descriptions of him that are being sent here, as having been arrested and detained for identification, looks as if our authorities are being guyed. In addition to the notice sent from Madison, Wis, which we mentioned in our last issue, Chief of Police Garrison Thursday of his week received a letter from Allegheny City asking if a man named Wilson was wanted here for the murder of one Harry Waterhouse; to send full particulars, and description of the murderer. And then on Friday evening Sheriff Ishler got a telegram from a detective. This thing is getting to be monotonous.

A REMARKABLE COINCIDENCE.—About eleven months ago Mrs. E. C. Bouslough, then living in a stone house out at Valentine's furnace, gave birth to a male child with a hare-lip. Dr. H. K. Hoy was called in who performed an operation for the same which resulted in a complete recovery, not even a scar being left to mark the deformity. On Thursday of this week, Mrs. R. W. Bouslough, a sister-in-law of the former lady, in the same house, gave birth to a male child with a hare-lip identical with the child born 11 months previous. Dr. Hoy was again called in to render surgical aid and this case promises to be as successful as the former one.

A GREAT THUNDERSTORM.—Last Tuesday afternoon Bellefonte and neighborhood were visited by one of the severest thunderstorms that has visited this section in many years. It was not accompanied by an unusually severe wind, but the flashes of lightning and peals of thunder were terrific and the downpour of rain was extraordinary. It first appeared to come from the West, but after it got to work in full earnest it seemed to come from every direction. The rattling artillery of the heavens was heard at all points of the compass and with blinding flashes of electricity kept people of nervous temperaments on the jump during the continuance of the storm. The rain continued for several hours and by actual measurement the amount that fell was six inches.

With such excessive discharges of electricity it is a wonder that more damage was not done to life and property. The house of Wm. Undercoffer, about a mile east of town, was struck and badly shattered, the siding at one corner of the building being torn off, carpet and oil cloth torn up inside the house, plastering knocked loose, and a joice broken in the cellar. The inmates received electrical shocks but were not injured. The school house at Milesburg was struck and the belfry knocked out of shape, but the scholars inside were not hurt. The house of Mr. T. F. Wallace at Milesburg also received a stroke and suffered some damage, but the inmates were only slightly affected. Mr. A. Landis, who lives below the lime kilns, was out at his stable when that building received the effects of a severe flash which nearly knocked him over. He says it felt as if he had been hit over the head by a big tin dishpan and he suffered from the effect of the shock for several days. Frank Holt's house at Curtin's works was struck and the front of the building was shattered, but the family who were in the kitchen were not hurt. At Mill Hall a house occupied by S. Murray was badly wrecked, but without personal injury to any one. Of course so heavy a storm did much injury by beating down the grain and washing the fields, and in some parts of Marion township the crops were badly damaged by hail.

STRAWBERRY RASH.—This is a new disease that has broken out in Philadelphia, but it has not yet made its appearance in this neighborhood. It is caused by eating too many strawberries, but it is hard to believe that so luscious a fruit should produce a disease. It doesn't seem natural. A description of this malady represents red blotches breaking out over the surface of the skin, somewhat resembling the strawberry, attended by an itching that is extremely annoying. The doctors say there is no known cause for the ailment other than the eating of strawberries, and that the disease disappears with a cessation of indulgence in the delicious fruit. It doesn't though appear to be serious enough to induce people to abstain from eating their favorite berry.

-AN ACTIVE FIRM.—In addition to the contract to place the Parsons water and closet system in the stone school building, the firm of W. T. Hillibish are supplying the following houses with plumbing and steamheating fixtures: F. C. Montgomery, Dr. Van Tries, W. B. Maitland, Samuel Shaffer and Benjamin Bradley. The excellence of their work and material recommends them.

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

Bellefonte Grain Market. Corrected weekly by Geo. W. Jackson & Co. The following are the quotations up to six o'clock, Thursday evening, when our report goes to press: White wheat, per bushel..... 95 Red wheat, per bushel..... 1 00 Corn, ears, per bushel..... 30 Corn, stalks, per bushel..... 25 Oats—new, per bushel..... 20 Oats—old, per bushel..... 15 Barley, per bushel..... 65 Ground Flaxseed, per ton..... 9 50 Buckwheat per bushel..... 50 Cloverseed, per bushel..... \$4 00 to \$6 00

Bellefonte Produce Markets. Corrected weekly by Seichter & Co Potatoes per bushel..... 39 to 40 Eggs, per dozen..... 15 Lard, per pound..... 8 Country butters, and Furnishing Goods. Sides..... 8 Hams..... 12 1/2 Fatall, per pound..... 4 Butter, per pound..... 12 1/2

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