

Democratic Watchman

Bellefonte, Pa., Aug. 7, 1891.

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

THINGS ABOUT TOWN & COUNTY

—Good news for the ladies, see the Cash Bazaar's advertisement of this week.

—John Betts, of Nippenose Valley, gathered over 2,000 quarts of berries on his farm this season.

—Rev. O. R. Thomas has tendered his resignation as pastor of the Baptist church of Phillipsburg.

—Mr. George Stephenson, of Buffalo Run, lost a \$250 horse last Tuesday morning from an attack of colic.

—A new post office has been established at Cato, this county, with C. T. Cheeseman, esq., as postmaster.

—Rev. Mr. Kline, of Allentown, will officiate in the Bellefonte Episcopal church next Sunday and the Sunday following.

—The Beech Creek railroad company have ordered five new locomotives and the yard at Jersey Shore Junction is being enlarged.

—A Muncy Hill peach grower tells the Muncy Luminary that the peach crop at Muncy Hills this season will reach 3,000 baskets.

—Mr. Geo. Gross of this place has a pack of well bred hound pups which he offers for sale at low prices. Address him at Bellefonte.

—Recorder W. G. Morrison is about to erect a neat residence on a lot he has purchased of John McDermott on East Bishop street.

—Commissioner Strohm will also go into camp with Company B, and will attend to clerical duty while the other boys are playing soldier.

—The report that Harry Fenlon was about to disconnect himself from the Bush House is incorrect. Harry is an indispensable adjunct of that popular hotel.

—Mrs. Eleanor Steele, daughter of the late George W. Weaver, of Bellefonte, died at her home in Hawkeye, Iowa, on the 23d ult., leaving a week old baby. She was 36 years of age.

—The duplicates have been placed in collector S. D. Ray's hands and now all persons who will pay their taxes on or before sixty days from August 1st, will be given a reduction of five per cent.

—Mrs. John Derstine, of East Lamb street, who had been ill for some time, died last Sunday morning, leaving a husband and seven children to mourn her death. Her funeral took place on Tuesday.

—The United Brethren conference, consisting of one hundred and fifty ministers and laymen, will convene in Bellefonte on Wednesday, the 16th of September, and continue until the following Monday.

—Mr. Joseph Rishell, living a short distance below Spring Mills, died at his residence last week, after an illness from which he had suffered during the past year, ending in a dropsical affection. He was advanced in years, a much respected citizen, and a member of the Lutheran church.

—Last Monday Mr. Jonathan Tressler, who is in his 91st year, walked from Pleasant Gap to Bellefonte, and after transacting the business for which he had come to town, he walked back, in all a distance of 10 miles. This was an extraordinary feat for a man so near a hundred years old.

—This (Friday) evening Rev. George Bouse and wife, of Milesburg, will celebrate the 40th anniversary of their wedding. The Methodist church of Milesburg and Unionville will take a lively interest in it. Exercises in the church will be followed by refreshments served in the parsonage.

—While Bob Hunter, the efficient clerk of the County Commissioners, will be in camp during the coming week, with company B, attending to the soldierly duty of beating the drum, which he does in great style, his place in the Commissioners' office will be filled by his brother, Dorsey Hunter.

—Samuel White, of Bellefonte, it is claimed, has discovered and is making a preparation that will positively kill Canada thistles above ground with one single application. He guarantees that he can apply the preparation in the morning and by evening the weed will be dead to its end in time, thus completely extinguishing it.

—Dr. Hafer has been delighting his friends with presents of most luscious peaches, which he has raised on his property on Rev. St. John's avenue. We were fortunate enough to be among the ones who enjoyed some of the fine fruit. The Doctor has four trees all of which are so full that it is necessary for him to keep pulling some to make room for the others to grow.

THE KEYSTONE HILL ATTEMPTED MURDER AND SUICIDE.—We last week gave a short notice of the attempt of Reuben Wilkings to murder Mrs. John Wilson at Keystone Hill, a mining village near Philipsburg, and his attempt afterwards to commit suicide, and also the unfortunate family complication that led to the crime. A local paper, giving further particulars, says: Mrs. Wilson informed Wilkings that he would have to change his boarding place. One word brought on another, and Wilkings, becoming enraged, picked up a base ball bat and struck Mrs. Wilson a severe blow on the back of the head, who rushed out of the house, gave one piercing scream and fell unconscious to the ground.

Wilkings, thinking possibly that he had killed his victim, ran up stairs and loaded a gun with the purpose, evidently, of shooting any one who might rush in to arrest him. He then concluded that possibly it would be best for him to take his own life, and made all necessary preparations. Placing a newspaper on the floor, and having a cup in readiness to catch the blood, he secured a razor and cut his throat, severing the wind pipe, but not getting far enough back to cut the jugular vein. He sat down on a chair and left the blood run into the cup, a position in which he was found when some of the neighbors rushed in upon him.

Mrs. Wilson was carried into the house, previous to that a neighbor, Mr. George Hill, came to town for Dr. Harman and Officer Simler. Both hastened to the scene of the difficulty, Dr. Harman attending to the injuries of Mrs. Wilson, who was found to have received an ugly fracture of the skull, near its base, and Officer Simler placing Wilkings under arrest. They were surprised to find that he had cut his throat, and when the Dr. attempted to dress his wound, he showed considerable resistance. When told that he was under arrest he submitted to having his wounds dressed and then was taken to the Miner's hospital, where he lingered until last Friday afternoon when death put an end to a career which was wound up with the commission of a great crime. At last accounts there were indications of Mrs. Wilson's recovery.

A letter found on the person of Wilkings, written after he had struck Mrs. Wilson, and intended as a "dying confession," is said to contain some ugly developments which would not be fit to publish.

MR. CASANOVA'S WESTERN INTERESTS.—Speaking of that prominent Cuban American citizen of this county, whose interests largely connect him with its coal operations, the Phillipsburg Journal says:

Hon. J. N. Casanova, who has been absent on a pleasure and business trip to Colorado and Utah, is home again. He was accompanied by ex-Senator Wallace, who is still in the west. Mr. Casanova has interested himself in Wallace's Colorado silver mines, and will proceed at once to develop the same by means of electricity, which will not only facilitate the business, but prove a great financial saving, cutting down the expenses at least \$45 per day. Mr. Casanova, who has also recently purchased an interest in the famous Chippewa Springs, at Chippewa Falls, Wis., will establish his headquarters in Chicago. The President of Ecuador has just honored Mr. Casanova by appointing him to the commission to represent that Republic at the World's Fair in Chicago, and the fact that he speaks French and Spanish fluently, with his general knowledge and fitness in other respects, will enable him to fill the position most creditably.

FIRST PENNA. CAVALRY.—The First Pennsylvania Cavalry will hold their annual reunion at Emperium, Cameron county, on September 9th and 10th, and great preparations are being made there to receive them. Among the distinguished people expected to be present on this occasion are Ex-Governors Curtin and Beaver, Gen. Hastings, Ex-Lieutenant Governor Stone and others. The Cameron county Press says that this will be the greatest event that has transpired in that town for many years and will attract a large number of people. The town will be beautifully decorated with arches, flags, etc., and at night the streets will be illuminated with natural gas. The fire department and a number of invited organizations will take part in the parade, and last but not least the handsome ladies of the town will be out in all their beauty. From this it is plain to be seen that Emperium expects to have one of the brightest and most enjoyable occasions in its history.

BOROUGH DELEGATES.—At the Republican primaries last Saturday evening the following delegates were elected from Bellefonte to the County Convention on Tuesday.

North ward—S. D. Ray, E. R. Chambers, John Bullock, Archey Allison, Isaiah Clark, Chas. Kase; West ward—Clem Dale, W. I. Swoope, H. C. Cressman; South ward—J. A. Aikens, J. S. McGarger, Dr. George F. Harris, H. H. Montgomery.

—The Knights of the Golden Eagles of this place, expect to go to Huntingdon on the 20th of this month to attend a district convention.

—Rev. Robert Speer, who made so favorable an impression in this place, left for his home in Huntingdon Thursday of last week, and after a short recreation will go to fill an engagement in Pottsville.

—Pomona Grange, P. of H., will hold its regular quarterly meeting in the Hall of Bald Eagle Grange, Milesburg, Tuesday, August 22nd. Arrangements for the County Picnic, will be made at this meeting, and a full attendance is requested.

—Bellefonte's composite pavement operator, Merty Cunningham, is about contracting for the putting down of several thousand yards of his celebrated pavement at the State College. This kind of pavement is coming into extensive use, and its merits are being generally acknowledged.

—Five of the recently locked out puddlers of the Logan Iron Works of Millin county arrived here last week and got employment at the nail works. A few weeks ago some dozen of the iron workers at the nail works left here and took the places of the locked out workers at Logan. This seems to have been something of a swap.

—Messrs. McCalmont & Co. have sold over \$5,000 worth of threshing machinery this season, consisting of three traction and one portable engine, three large Peerless Separators, including one small thresh and separator with one horse tread power. This large sale in Centre county indicates that the Geiser traction engines, threshers and separators are still in the lead as well as the most popular farm machinery.

—David M. Lieb, principal of the Bellefonte schools, was a guest of Krom's Hotel last night and left for home this morning. Mr. Lieb is a cultured scholar and one of the most successful of teachers. Mr. Reed, proprietor of Krom's Hotel, is quite lucky in catching on to distinguished travelers, most of whom know where the good "vittles" are with which to comfort the inner man.—Lock Haven Democrat of Saturday.

—The Ladies' Mite Society of the Howard Evangelical church, will hold an ice cream festival for the benefit of the church, in the school house yard on Saturday, August 15th, both afternoon and evening. There will be a guess cake at 5 cents a guess; a post office; also a candy booth at which there will be many fancy and useful articles sold. The Howard Citizen's Cornet Band will be present and delight all with their music. Choice refreshments can be had on the ground. All are cordially invited to attend.

—The Grangers' 18th Annual Interstate Picnic Exhibition under the sanction of the National and State Granges of the United States, will open at Williams Grove, Cumberland county, Pa., on Monday, August 24th, and continue six days. Five thousand people will encamp on the grounds. Twenty-five acres of ground will be covered with exhibits. The P. R. R. and all its branches will sell low rate excursion tickets during the entire week. Round trip tickets good for eight days from Bellefonte via L. & T. branch, \$4.21. For full information address, R. H. Thomas, Mechanicsburg, Pa.

—Aaron Williams received a letter from George Wilson, who is looking after his farm in Colorado, informing him that there were 80 acres of wheat and 25 acres of corn on Williams' place destroyed by a hail storm on the 16th of July. Mr. Wilson says the wheat would have yielded at least 2,000 bushels. Wilson says that he had on his own farm about 2,000 bushels of wheat and about 1,000 bushels of barley destroyed. The storm cut a swath through the country about 5 miles wide and 15 or 20 miles in length. One farmer who lost 300 acres of wheat, estimates that within 10 miles of Fort Collins, there was at least \$250,000 worth of wheat destroyed. Mr. George Wilson above mentioned is a son of W. L. Wilson, of Half Moon township, Centre county, Pa.

—Mrs. Anna Bezer, who died at her home on Spring Creek, about two miles from Bellefonte, on Wednesday of last week, had reached the venerable age of 84 years. She was well known in the community and was greatly esteemed by her neighbors and acquaintances. Her children who survive her are John and Charles Bezer, Mrs. Adam Jesberger, Mrs. Barbara Gross, Mrs. Theresa Hazel and Mrs. A. Dussling. She had sixty grand-children and forty-nine great-grand-children. The funeral took place on Friday morning, with the services of the Catholic church, of which she was a life-long and faithful member. There was a large concourse of attendants. Six of her grand-sons, Henry, Frank, John, Andrew and Ferdinand Bezer, and Jacob Gross were the pall-bearers.

COUNCIL MEETING.—At meeting of borough council last Monday evening there was considerable discussion in regard to opening up streets and alleys.

John G. Love, esq., represented William Steel in opposition to the opening of an alley running south from the Academy and through his property. John Blanchard, esq., represented Prof. Hughes in favor of this alley, which was closed by mutual consent some years ago and which is now wanted to be opened and used as a public highway. The question was referred to borough solicitor Dale with instructions that he should thoroughly investigate the matter and report at next meeting. Chief Burgess Reeder represented that citizens of north ward wanted a light to be placed at the corner of Linn and Allegheny streets, and he also asked council to take some action to prevent cows from being at large on the streets. Solicitor Dale was instructed to go on with the proceedings for opening Humes street, and also an alley parallel with Bishop street between Logan and Willow streets east to the Lewistown pike. The street committee was directed to establish the grade on Willowbank street. A motion of Mr. Gault to pass an ordinance to prohibit the running of ows on the streets of Bellefonte was not seconded.

Market fees to the amount of \$10.50 were reported.

Chairman Hillbish of the Water committee submitted a plan for the erection of a standpipe six feet above the present reservoir. It will force the water four feet higher than at present in the elevated parts of the town, and increase the pressure three pounds everywhere. It will also greatly save expense at the water works and will soon pay for the cost of its erection, estimated to be about \$200. The Water committee were instructed to proceed to erect the standpipe in accordance with this plan.

The following was moved, seconded and carried: That the Borough Solicitor be directed to prepare ordinances in the following cases:

1st. To lay out, open and widen High street from a point immediately west of the jail, where already opened, to the eastern line of the borough.

2d. To lay out and open Lamb street from its present terminus to the eastern line of the borough.

3d. To lay out and open Linn street from its present terminus to the eastern line of the borough.

4th. To lay out and open Curtin street from its present terminus to the eastern line of the borough.

5th. To lay out and open a street one hundred and thirty-seven feet from the eastern line of the borough and extending from Bishop street northward to Curtin street, said street to be called—street.

6th. To lay out and open an alley between Logan and Burnside streets, extending eastward from Allegheny to the old Lewistown road.

BEATEN AT LOCK HAVEN.—On Saturday morning last the Bellefonte Ball club, accompanied by thirty or forty enthusiasts, went to Lock Haven to "do up" the team of that town. The memory of the great victory over Harrisburg the Wednesday before still fresh in their minds, seemed to add an unwonted confidence that more laurels were to be brought into camp, but they were weeping willows instead.

After arriving at Lock Haven the Bellefonte contingent amused itself in making the Lock Haven sports "take water," for odds of 4 to 1 were freely offered on our boys and they were not taken. The game commenced promptly at two, with Bellefonte at the bat. Pretty singles by Quigley, Woodcock and Yenger, together with two sacrifice hits and an error, netted us two runs in the first inning, and when Lock Haven came in for her half, the first two batsmen were felled out, but the third and fourth took, each, a base on slow fielding. Here a hit to deep center brought them both home, for Rine and Quigley both started after it, and though it was in the center field territory, they ran together with such force that both received very painful injuries. This accident was most costly, indeed, and seemed to completely dishearten Bellefonte. Once afterward our instinctive superior playing put us in the lead, but the men seemed too listless to hold the place and eight innings of very uninteresting ball were dragged through.

The Lock Haven grounds are very poor in the field, and the fact that our players had to jump ditches, thistles and four foot mallein stalks was demoralizing, indeed, but it was an excellent pointer to the management. Before the team is taken down to our sister town again, hurdle racing will have been on the training list.

The score by innings was as follows: Lock Haven..... 2 0 1 3 0 0 1 8—13 Bellefonte..... 2 0 0 4 0 0 0 0—10 Time of game, 1 hr. and 50 min.; struck out, Lock Haven 5, Bellefonte 7; earned runs, Lock Haven 5, Bellefonte 2; pass balls, Friel 2, Stuart 5; first base on errors, Lock Haven 3, Bellefonte 3; left on bases, Lock Haven 7, Bellefonte 4; wild pitch, Patriken 4, Bellefonte, 6; two base hits, Friel, Grafus; home run, Friel.

—Miss Smith, daughter of Philip Smith, living on Spring Creek, who is said to have been a very bright young lady, died last week at the untimely age of twenty years, of that dread disease, consumption, from which she had suffered for a number of months.

—It is hardly probable that Bellefonte people will witness any more ball games on the home grounds until after next week.

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

—Lieut. Col. Maillen left Bellefonte on Wednesday for Arnold Station to prepare for the 2nd Brigade encampment.

—We have the largest stock of home made buggies in the county and at the lowest figures for the grade of work. McQuiston & Co.

—L. D. Armstrong, a prominent citizen of Lock Haven, died suddenly at Long Branch last Monday evening, of heart disease.

—Novelties in furniture and wall paper at E. Brown, Jr.'s on Bishop street.

—William A. Carter, an old soldier and former resident of Centre county, died at Altoona last Sunday evening at the age of 62 years and 8 months.

—McQuiston & Co. is where you get just what you are told you are getting, so that is the place to get your buggies. No old buggies sold for new ones.

—A festival will be held, August 15th, at or near Henry Heaton's, for the benefit of the Baptist church now in course of erection at that place.

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

—If you are in need of a buggy, go to McQuiston & Co. the only manufacturers in Bellefonte who ever served time at the business.

—Charles Heverly, who was so severely injured by the premature explosion in the Morris lime quarry some weeks ago, we are glad to learn has recovered from his injuries.

—19 new buggies, 5 second hand, and one 2nd hand spring wagon for sale at bottom prices by McQuiston & Co.

—After a suspension of work for about two months, Mann's axe works, in this neighborhood, resumed operations this week, and in a few weeks will be going with full force.

—A number of horses have recently died in Penn's Valley from a disease similar to the grip, which prevails in that section. It may be another form of the old style epizooty.

—When the Republican county commissioners went out of office it was discovered that they had used \$8,461.56 of State funds for county purposes. This was irregular and unlawful. Last week the present Democratic board refunded in full to the State Treasurer this money which their predecessors had misapplied.

—There is a good bit of kicking among some of our idle men because the Italians and Hungarians have been given the preference in the digging of the foundation for the new church, and we don't think the complaint is beyond reason either. When it comes to paying for the church it will not be the Italians and Hungarians who will be asked to help, but it will be those very men who have been discarded in favor of foreign labor.—Tyrone Herald.

A MOUNTAIN WEDDING.—Rev. J. W. White, a brother-in-law of ex-Governor Beaver, pastor of one of the churches at Milroy, was recently confronted by a question full of hymenal perplexities. A couple came over the Seven Mountains from Centre county to the parsonage, desiring him to unite them in marriage. Their license was issued in Centre county, and a question arose in the reverend gentleman's mind whether it was not the intent of the state law that the ceremony should be performed in the county in which the license is granted. Register and Recorder Boldren, at Lewistown, was phoned for an opinion and he thought the preacher was right in his view. Captain Moore, justice of the peace at Milroy, was also consulted, but differed from both the others. At this juncture a happy thought entered the parson's mind, adopting which would place him on the safe side. By driving to the top of the third of the Seven mountains he would reach the dividing line between Millin and Centre counties. The couple were willing and after a long drive the parties found themselves at the boundary. Stepping across the line Rev. White at once proceeded to solemnize the union of Edwin Ruhl and Maggie Burrell, of Spring Mills.

The groom, Edwin Ruhl, is the son of Mr. David Ruhl, proprietor of the Spring Mills hotel and is a very popular young man, and his bride, Miss Burrell, is a very handsome lady, and Edwin is to be congratulated upon the success of his choice of a better half. The couple will continue to reside at Spring Mills in the future. They have the best wishes of all for future happiness.—Centre Reporter.

NARROW ESCAPE OF A DRIVING PARTY.—Walter W. Franklin, Esq., received a letter from Boalsburg, Centre county, Pa., Monday evening, which gave a graphic account of a thrilling runaway accident in which J. H. R. Wagner, Esq., of this city, and his wife were injured. Mrs. Wagner, who wrote the letter, made a narrow escape from a shocking death. Mr. and Mrs. Wagner went to Boalsburg on Tuesday last, where they were the guests of Mr. Michael Hess, Mr. Wagner's cousin. On Tuesday the Lancaster visitors and Mr. and Mrs. Hess went out driving. They occupied a vehicle drawn by a pair of very spirited young horses. The animals became frightened and could not be controlled by Mr. Hess. They ran away and dashed toward the State College at a maddening pace. It was certain death to jump from the conveyance, and the terrified ladies clung to the sides of the carriage until the big gates of the college were reached. The horses ran through the gates and the tongue of the carriage was broken off. A large splinter penetrated one of the horses legs and this caused the frenzied animal to plunge ahead in a frightful manner. The carriage was completely demolished at the gates and the occupants were thrown out. Mrs. Wagner was caught in one of the wheels and she was dragged about 60 feet. The wheel broke and she dropped to the ground unconscious. Nearly all the clothing was torn from her person. Had it not been for the breaking of the wheel Mrs. Wagner would have been dragged to death over the road. Her injuries consisted of a number of severe cuts and bruises about the face and body. Mr. Hess' leg was broken, Mrs. Hess was seriously injured, and Mr. Wagner was considerably cut and bruised. Mr. Hess is well known here. Mrs. Wagner is a sister to Mrs. Emlen Franklin. Mr. Wagner's many friends, as well as those of Mrs. Wagner, will be glad to hear that their injuries are not of a serious character.—Lancaster Examiner.

THE HEMLOCK WORM.—In Potter and Elk counties complaints are made that the hemlock trees are being destroyed by a worm of the nature of a measuring worm, millions of which swarm around the feet of the workmen while chopping is going on and which are causing the trees for miles and miles around to turn brown, threatening ruin to the timber interests of that section.

—People up town who want to avoid the trouble of walking to the post office, can supply themselves with postage stamps at the cigar and tobacco store of J. M. Cunningham in the Brockerhoff House block, or at the Racket store in Crider's Exchange.

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

—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.

Married.

CORLI—JORDAN.—At the Lutheran parsonage in Pine Grove Mills, on July 26th, 1891, by Rev. Chas. T. Aikens, Calvin Corli to Miss Blanche Jordan, both of State College.

For Sale!

A Geizer number one and a half thresh and separator for sale, which was taken in exchange on account of a larger one. It is in good condition and will be sold at a bargain. McCALMONT & Co.

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:

New wheat, per bushel.....	90
Old wheat, per bushel.....	85
Red wheat, per bushel.....	95
Rye, per bushel.....	80
Corn, ears, per bushel.....	35
Corn, shelled, per bushel.....	70
Oats—new, per bushel.....	50
Barley, per bushel.....	65
Ground Plaster, per ton.....	9 50
Blackwheat per bushel.....	50
Cloverseed, per bushel.....	34 00 to 35 00

Bellefonte Produce Markets.

Corrected weekly by Sechler & Co

Potatoes per bushel.....	40
Eggs, per dozen.....	12 1/2
Lard, per pound.....	8
Country shoulders.....	8
Sides.....	8
Hams.....	12 1/2
Yellow, per pound.....	4
Butter, per pound.....	15

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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	\$ 11
Two inches.....	7	10	15
Three inches.....	10	15	20
Quarter Column (4 1/2 inches).....	12	20	30
Half Column (9 inches).....	20	35	55
One Column (18 inches).....	35	55	100

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