Bellefonte, Pa., May 27, 1892.

To Correspondents. - No communication published unless accompanied by the real name of the writer.

THINGS ABOUT TOWN & COUNTY

-Have you seen Meyer's advertise--Allen's circus will be here to-

morrow and the small boy is happy. - Don't forget to take lots of flowers to the Post rooms for Decoration

-A big parade will be one the features of our Monday's memorial exer-

-Dr. Salm, the eminent specialist will be at the Bush House next Mon-

-W. A. Tobias was up from Millheim, on Monday, looking as old time

-Philipsburg is quite happy over her bright prospects of getting a new passenger station.

-A new concrete pavement has been laid in front of Frank Stover's High street property.

T. F. Kennedy, the State College contractor and builder, dropped in for a few moments on Wednesday afternoon.

-The Young Men's Christian Association realized the snug sum of \$140 out of the Kellar matinee last Saturday. -Rob't J. McKnight has just recovered from a serious attack of roseola,

a complication of measles and scarlet fever. -Philipsburg has decided to join the Mountain league of base ball clubs and the schedule has been arranged to

things about yourself drop into a coun- upper floors were one great mass of

---The Bellefonte base ball club will go to Philipsburg, on Decoration | would have been of some use, would day, to play an exhibition game with have saved the building. the club at that place.

-Laura Harris, a demented colored Bishop street one day last week,

---If you have some job work that you would like to get done in a hurry. Come in and see us. We are not very busy just now and can hustle it through

-The WATCHMAN's account of the fire is authentic and can be relied upon as presenting the facts in their plain and unvarnished light. Every incident was carefully noted by an eye witness and nothing is over drawn.

-Representative Jno. T. McCormick and daughter Cora were pleasant callers on Wednesday afternoon. Miss McCormick was interested in the mysteries of the art preservative and we had the pleasure of escorting her through our composing and press rooms.

--- Camp 447 P. O. S. of A., led by the Zion band, will visit the Friends burying place, on Decoration day, to garland the grave of a departed brother and it cordially invites the G. A. R. and Co. B. to accompany it. Rev. Leidy will address the order at the grave.

- Miss Emma Herkheimer return-Tuesday evening after a short visit to effect was material for the structure is friends in this place. She is employed entirely uninjured this morning, with which was the Odd Fellows hall, and as stenographer by the Harris wire the exception of having its side burned buckle suspender factory, one of the off. The drive way is not at all weaklargest concerns of its kind in the Un- ened and it can be repaired at a very

--- The opening of the Mountain League base-ball season in this place is scheduled for next Tuesday, but it is highly probable that the game, with Clearfield, on that date will be postponed until everything up at the Park is in readiness for the comfort of the patrons

-A run-away team of horses, with a light spring wagon dragging behind them, ran down the pavement on High street last Friday and, miraculous as it may seem, not a soul was hurt. They turned out Water street when the bridge was reached and made for home at an exceedingly rapid gait.

county newspapers that Bellefonte's the fire was still on the lower floor of bonded indebtedness is causing many building and confined to the south-west the fire caught from an upturned lamp departures from the town is untrue corner thus evidencing that the torch in the Grassmyer house. The loss will Bellefontes debt has not materially in- must have been applied at that place. creased within the past ten years, and No more opportune time nor richer though her bonds are out for over \$144,- field for the work of an incendiary could most part, laboring people and hardly is worth five times that sum.

Mrs. James Fannon died at the heny street, on Saturday afternoon. She was the wife of James Fannon, a prosperous farmer of Benner township, and a large family of small children mourn the loss of a devoted mother, who had come to this place that she could have es sustained by his firm as follows: The whose brother died in this place several the advantages of the best medical skill. mill building, stock and machinery months ago. Her husband and little Funeral services were held from the \$35,00), on which there is \$20,000 in- children have the heartfelt sympathy of Catholic church on Tuesday.

trous fire that has visited Bellefonte, since the burning of the Humes block and the 1st National Bank, broke out in the south-west corner of the mammoth ware house, owned by the Hale estate, at the foot of Lamb street. Most of Bellefonte's residents were in a heavy slumber when the fire was discovered and it was several minutes before an ALARM WAS SOUNDED FOR THE WEST WARD.

But before the fire department arrived the flames had made such headway that the entire building was ablaze. From the corner in which it was started they leaped up to the roof of the building and a gentle north wind fanned them into an awful fury. Flames were licking the entire northern side before a stream was gotton on and when; the couplings were made and the hose men shouted "water" it was too late for offensive work and their attention had to be turned to the lumber yards of P. B. Crider and son in which the fire was making rapid headway. Six streams were soon playing on the lumber piles but another building should have taken the firemen's attention just then.

NO EFFORTS TO SAVE THE MLLL. The big five story flouring mill of Gerberich, Hale & Co., stood just across the track from the ware house and though the truckmen had run ladders up to its roof fully twenty minutes before it began to scorch there was not a line of hose near it and not a single stream turned toward it. Instead, there seemed to be an inclination to save a little 6x10 cooper shop valued at about \$100.00 when one of the most complete 125 barrel mills in the State was in the most imminent danger. Finally when the flames burst out at every crevice on the mill roof some one realized that the building was on fire and a futile attempt -If you want to hear lots of nice to save it was made. After the three try printing office while you are away flames the streams from two nozzles were directed at them when one, if it had only brought into play when it

TWO ACRES OF FLAMES.

When the mill property was beyond woman, made a triumphal tour through all control the flames had leaped from one lumber pile to another until there Every one fled to the roof of their were two acres of roaring, raging fire. So intensely hot that constant streams degree and the awful headway which it will be rebuilt. the flames attained became exceedingly alarming. They danced and crackled from one pile of lumber to another until half the big yard, with the cooper shop and keg mill, was ablaze. Then all effort was concentrated on the planing mill and only by the most desperate work was it kept from burning,

THE RED BRIDGE ON FIRE.

Perhaps the most ludicrous incident which spans Spring creek at the foot of saving of adjoining property. Lamb street. Wild ideas of an additional \$20,000 indebtedness for the town must have been incentive that prompted flames quickly licked up the double the heroic means that were taken to save house owned by John and Saul Confer, ed to her home, in Williamsport, on the bridge. Whatever they were, the on the north, and from there they spread trifling cost.

At one time it was feared that the northern end of the lumber yard, below the mill, would take fire, but the office building which was completely gutted formed a shield and by keeping it well drenched a line of buckets proved sufficient to save that portion of the yard.

UNDOUBTEDLY OF INCENDIARY ORIGIN. Mr. Gerberich, of the milling firm of Gerberich, Hale & Co., which occupied the big ware house, in which the fire originated, told a WATCHMAN reporter that he did not think there had been any one in the ware house since Monday and, as there has not been a fire in the building for years, incendiarism can be the only cause attributed. When we | fire had gotten under control. ---The report going the round of arrived at the scene of the conflagration

000 she has a water works which alone have been selected. As the location of able to sustain such serious loss. both buildings was such that they could be fired without danger of apprehension residence of her sister, on North Alleg- and there being so much lumber in the ble, of Philadelphia, occurred in that locality an awful result could be truly expected. The question now evolves: has been suffering for some time with What was the motive?

THE LOSS.

surance \$12,000 on the mill and appur- the entire community.

WEDNESDAY MORNING'S BIG BLAZE. tenances and \$8,000 on stock. The ware John M. Wagner Dead,-The sub--At twenty minutes past one o'clock house \$4,500 with a little over 10,000 ject of this article died at his residence on Wednesday morning the most disas- bushels of wheat, with some corn ears in Central City, Pa., May 23rd 1892 at building and \$6,000 on the grain. Mr age, after a long and patient illness. ered with insurance.

HISTORIC BUILDINGS. The two buildings, which are now deeply and generally felt.

chased the property and operated it time it dissolved and he then returned to with Jno M. Wagner under the firm | Central City and, just opposite to the name of Wagner & Thomas. J. M. Green mill, erected the large roller Wagner & Co, afterwards became its owners and were succeeded in 1874 by Duncan, Hale & Co., under which name the place has since been known, though since. Some four years ago he retired lately Wm P. Duncan retired leaving C. T. Gerberich and the late Dr. E. W. Hale as sole owners. The building himself in stimulating the industries of had been improved and rebuilt, from time to time, until it bore no resemblance to the original structure. It was owned by the Hale estate and was equipped provements undertaken in his neighborwith the most improved machinery for hood. the manufacture of its celebrated "Snow Flake" flour. A complete system of fire appliances was to be found on each floor of the building, but no effective ef- of the Reformed church. Always acfort to use them was made, An enor- tive in church matters and of his immous stock of flour, bran and corn mediate family he leaves to mourn his with two thousand bushels of wheat was loss seven daughters and two sons.

stored in the place. The enormous ware house, in which Mrs. Sadie Keichline, Mrs. Jennie the flames were first discovered, was built Keichline, Mrs. Jas. Weaver Mrs. Lew in 1849 and occupied until 1859 by Wallace, Mrs. Jas. Williams and Miss ations for the United States Naval Wager & Thomas as a "cheap cash Ella Wagner. The deceased was one of store." The building, an immense the few men whose reputation slander frame structure. was four stories high, in dares not touch: Whose retreat mawhich 10,000 bushels of wheat were lignity dares not invade; whose motives stored. P. B. Crider & Son had much prejudice dares not impugn. Men who valuable kiln dried lumber stored in it knew him best loved him best, and those and three large safes were also there for who associated with him most valued his safe keeping. It was located right at friendship most. His religion extended were kept turned on the Thomas! street | the old canal basin and at one time was | into his business transactions and was houses fully one hundred yards away. the great business stand of this whole mingled with the intercourse of daily Yet they smoked and scorched until the region. Out of it sprang the firm of S. life. He was not rich. His wealth was gravest fear that they would be burned & A. Loeb. This building will never not drawn from the earnings of the was entertained. The intense heat and be rebuilt, though if the mill site can- poor. He was loved and respected by the lack of fire shields hindered the not be sold to good advantage we are all. That respect was carried by an up work of the firemen to a very material authorized to say that in all probability | right deportment and a holy life. He

MILESBURG'S HEAVY FIRE LOSS,-About half past eight o'clock, on Wednesday evening, the little town of Milesburg was startled by the cry of "Fire!" and upon investigation the three tenement frame house, on Main street, owned and occupied by William Grassmyer was discovered to be on fire. The flames seemed to be bursting out at every place about the big conflagration was the way on the roof before a general alarm was in which street commissioner Shaughen- given, and as the town does not have a sy and the burdened taxpayers of the fire department all that could be done town worked to save the long red bridge, was to form a bucket brigade for the

The calmness of the evening prevented disastrous results, but as it was the to the grocery store of John Miles, over while these buildings were being consumed the little stone structure, formerly occupied by J. B. Proudfort as an undertaking establishment, caught and in no time was in ruins.

The Cornet hook and ladder company were on the scene and did most effective work. It was largely due to their timely appearance that the whole equare did not burn. It was just eight minutes from the time they left their truck house until they arrived at the scene of the conflagration, a distance of two miles. And their work was excaptionally effective. The Logan steamer Co, also went to the assistance of the people down there, but their hose cart broke down and while the steamer was ready to flood the whole town, it had nothing to squirt through until the

The whole loss will aggregate about \$6,000 or \$8,000. It is supposed that be quite serious to the families who lived in the houses for they were, for the

place, on last Tuesday morning. She consumption and her death was a re. lease from the awful disease. Mrs. Bi-Mr. Gerberich estimates the loss- ble's maiden name was Allie Minsker,

and oats, had \$2,000 insurance on the 10 o'clock p. m., in the 69th year of his Crider estimates his loss at \$8,700, but it About one year ago he was taken with will hardly reach that figure and is cov- the Gripp, and never recovered and it is seldom that death summons one from the walks of private life where loss is so

blackened ruins, were perhaps the most The deceased was born in Lebanon prominent land marks in the town and county Pa. and came to Bellefonte as they marked the beginning of industry as an apprentice to the flouring mill of in Bellefonte, in the first year of her ex. his brother D. M. Wagner, and Wm. istence, it is sad to think that they have Thomas, known now as the Gerberich been effectually and forever removed & Hale mill, in the year of 1848; completed his trade and succeeded his broth-The Gerberich Hale & Co. mill was a er D. M. Wagner as principle miller, five story stone, brick and frame build- operating the mill for years. In 1859 ing with a capacity of 125 barrels of flour he took charge of the Green mill in per day. It was one of the most com- Milesburg Pa. and succeeded in bringplete as well as valuable small mill pro- ing it to an excelent standard and repuperties in the state. Having heen built tation as a flouring mill. He remained with the first year of the 19th century there three years. He then moved back to its claim to age is beyond dispute. Jas. the old Thomas mill in Bellefonte, Smith, a son-in-law of Jas. Dunlap, and formed a partnership with Sholl & was its builder and operator until 1809 Gerberich; the firm being Wagner, when Hamilton Humes became his suc- Sholl & Gerberich. This firm continued cessor. In 1834 Wm A. Thomas pur- for nine years, at the expiration of which flouring will, known as the Wagner mill, where he has carried on a large, flourishing and lucrative business ever and gave the business over to his sons John and William. He contented Milesburg and Central City. Erecting several large brick houses in the latter place and taking a hand in all the im-

Four brothers and four sisters survive him. All of them reside in Lebanon county. He was a consistent member John, William, Mrs. Mary Weaver, was a tender husband and a kind father, and his fall has left a chasm in the family circle which He alone can fill, who has promised to be a father to the fath-

BOTH MIGHT HAVE BEEN KILLED. -On Tuesday evening about seven o'clock a runaway occurred on Bishop street which might easily have resulted fatally for both horse and horse man.

erless and a husband to the widow.

A young man employed by J. H. Yearick, at Pleasant Gap, was driving down Bishop street in a road cart to which a spirited black mare was hitched. When passing Blackford's Chas. T. Cruse were horrified to hear restaurant a little boy either struck the that he had been stricken with paralysis horse with a batted stone or with the and that his whole right side had been bat itself, for suddenly the animal rear- affected. While sitting at the supper ed and plunged forward. She became table, and apparently in the best of entirely unmanagable and galloped health, his head suddenly fell forward wildly down the street. But when the and he showed no signs of life. His Allegheny street corner was reached her father and brother carried him to a rate of speed was so great that it was couch in an adjoining room and Dr. impossible to turn the corner and the Harris was sent for, but before the phyyoung driver strove vainly to keep her in the road. She sprang across the gut- | from the stroke, which is said to have ter at Aikens' music store and almost been occasioned by a clot of blood on turned a somersault in against the large | the brain. Charley's many friends were plate glass windows, throwing the driv- sore distressed over his serious affliction er clear over her head and into the door- and they are greatly pleased at his comway of the store. A large crowd gath- plete recovery. ered quickly but the plucky young country man was on his feet in an instant and thoughtfully jumped on the animal's head, thus holding her until the bystanders had pulled away the cart

the church, at the Valentine Iron Com- east. pany's works was robbed of a trunk It will be seen that, with such an arcontaining a little over \$180.00 and the hard earned cash.

granted during the past week: John W. Woomer, of Boggs twp. and | latter one a great convenience. Bertha Leathers, of Howard.

John A. McGinley, and Hamilton. of Bellefonte.

--- The Pittsburg Times will open structures and a typical home for a first class American daily.

-Bedford cords 30 to 75 cents. Lyon & Co.

-Philipsburg is going to have a will entertain all the P. O. S. of A.'s in five counties and we'll have a gala day

—Dress gingham 61, 7, 8, 10, 12 15 and 20 cents. Lyon & Co.

-Frank Hendrson, with his wife and baby, was drowned in the flood at Sioux City, Iowa, last week. He was son of Samuel C. Henderson.

-Ladies blazers in tans and other light shades \$3.00 \$3.50 and upward. Lyon & Co.

-Rev. Dr. Clerc, rector of St. Paul's protestant Episcopal church, of Philipsburg, officiated at St. John's, in

WANTED .- 50,000 pounds of wool at Lyon & Co's. Unwashed preferred.

-According to the Tyrone Times C. M. Bower is head and tail of an attorney's firm, in this place, known as Bower, Orvis, & Bower. It names him also as Judge Furst's possible successor on the District bench

and upward Lyon & Co.

-The P. O. S. of A. will celebrate the 4th, in this place, in glorious style. All the camps in Blair, Clinton, Lycoming, Centre and Clearfield counties will be here to help along the big time and Bellefonte will be the scene of a grand display.

-Roland Curtin, the oldest son of Gen. J. I Curtin, of Linn street, has successfully passed his entrance examin-Academy, at Annapolis, Md., and will begin his tuition for the navy at once. He is an appointee of Congressman Geo. F. Kribbs

"Our Dan" is the brand of a new five and ten cent cigar which A. J. Cruse has just put on the market. The label is in a very pretty scroll design with an excellent likeness of Gen. D. H. Hastings in the centre. The cigar is finding a rapid sale and is simply another of the many famous brands which Mr. Cruse manufactures.

-Mr. L. R. Leach, of Benore, was a pleasant caller on Monday. He had just returned from Clarksville, Tenn. where he had been setting up ore washers for the Gracey-Woodward Iron Company. He reports Tennessee as a great and undeveloped country and intends returning soon to complete his work, after which he expects to visit

-- Mens black and brown cheviot suits \$3.50, 6.00, 6.50, 7.00, 8.00 10.00 upward. Lyon & Co.

TEMPORARILY PARALYZED. - On Sunday evening the friends of Mr. sician arrived he had partially recovered

-Mens black dress suits \$8.00, 8,50 9.00, 10.00, 12.00 and 15.00. Lyon &

A GREAT ACCOMMODATION FOR and harness. When she got up it was PENNS VALLEY .- The evening train found that one of the small bones of the | which now runs over the B. N. & L. pasturn joint, of the lett front leg, was between this place and Coburn will broken, while an ugly gash at the place prove a great accommodation to the marked where the leg had struck the many people living along the line of heavy curb. All along the face of the this road, as it gives them an opportunibuilding hair and blood marked where ty of remaining in Bellefonte until six the animal had struck with such terri- o'clock in the evening if it is necessary. ble force and it seems miraculous that The new train leaves here at 6 p. m. and both driver and horse were not killed or runs through to Coburn. Arriving there at 7:10. On the return it leaves Coburn at 7:25 and arrives at this place HUNGARIANS ROBBED .- On Monday intime to connect with the 8:49 express night the hungarian house, just above for Lock Haven and points north and lows

rangement, people living between poor foreigners are now trying to find here and Coburn can leave home in the some clue as to the whereabouts of their morning and spend a day in Tyrone, Snow Shoe, Lock Haven and intermediate points and return the same even-MARRIAGE LICENSES GRANTED .- Fol- ing. Those who find that they cannot lowing is a list of marriage licenses finish their business in this place in time for the 3 o'clock train will find the

-The best styles of mens dress pants \$2.50, 3.00, 3.50, 4.00 and 5.00.

AN IMPOSITION ON THE PEOPLE .-its new building, on next Tuesday. It It is really too bad that our people are is one of the Smoky city's handsomest taken in so often, but in this case we cannot see who is to blame as no one knew of the wonderful prestidigiator, magician and necromancer who has turned up in our midst. On last Saturday we had Kellar who is supposed to be the world's greatest magician, but 4th of July celebration, but Bellefonte his tricks and illusions have been so thoroughly (?) explained that we feel like thumping our shallow pates for having been deceived by his bungling(?) performances.

Did you read Monday's daily Gazette? If you did you are doubtless thinking what miserable dupes you made of yourselves, at the opera house, on Saturday afternoon, And if you didn't, born at Spruce Creek in 1860 and was a do so, by all means, for perhaps if Mr. Kellar's sleight had a tendancy toward shaking your belief in reality then the consciousness that you are really your-

> -Boys knee pants from 25 cents to \$1. Lyon & Co.

DILL'S CASE SETTLED .- At the trial this place, on Sunday. Rev. J. F. in Pittsburg last week the case of ex-Benton having exchanged pulpits with banker-preacher Dill was settled; his wife having secured the creditors at the sacrifice of her own handsome dwelling house, bank stocks and other valuable securities together with the deposits and bank stock of her father and mother. The creditors of both the Houtzdale and Clearfield banks will consequently receive dollar for dollar for all their deposits. Later information is to the effect that Dill has refused to sign the pa-Boys suit \$1.20 1.50 1.75 2.00 pers which the comptroller of the currency had agreed to and is likely to get into serious trouble vet.

> ATTENTION G. A. R .-- All comrades of Gregg Post, No. 95, G. A. R. are ordered to report at the post room on Sunday next at 9 45, a. m. to proceed to the Episcopal church where the annual Memorial day sermon will be preached by the Rev. W. D. Benton. Fail not. T: R. BENNER, G. B. BRANDON

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