

# Democratic Watchman

Bellefonte, Pa., March 31, 1893.

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## THINGS ABOUT TOWN & COUNTY

—Have you anything new to wear on Easter?

—Did you have it on Monday?—The spring fever.

—The Methodists held a sociable at the parsonage last evening.

—Henry C. Quigley spent Wednesday night at his home in Eagleville.

—Miss Anna Sechler is home from Wilson College for her Easter vacation.

—Mrs. Wm. Brouse, of Pine Grove Mills, is visiting friends in Bellefonte.

—Miss Annie McLaughlin spent several days with Tyrone friends last week.

—"Around the World in 80 Days" will be the opera house attraction on Thursday evening April 6th.

—Mrs. Shaffer, mother of Harry Shaffer, the photographer, is seriously ill at the home of her sister, in Lock Haven.

—John D. Sourbeck, the High street grocer, is proud because he has a new delivery wagon, that he thinks is the finest in town.

—Mrs. Catherine Lutz, of Zion, who for thirty four years has been one of our best paying subscribers, was among our callers Wednesday afternoon.

—It has been some time since there was an attraction at the opera house. Next Thursday night "Around the World in 80 Days" will appear.

—Miss Rebecca Irvin, a young woman from Julian, this county, was married to Warren Emory, of Dunstown, in Lock Haven, Sunday night.

—Mrs. Passmore, the wife of James Passmore, Esq., one of Phillipsburg's leading citizens and owner of the Passmore house, died from consumption on Monday morning.

—John Huffman of W. H. C. Huffman & Sons contractors, in Williamsport, Sunday in Bellefonte. He is soon to marry Miss Gertrude Spigelmeyer, of Penn street.

—Mr. Robert Rankin who was one of the heavy losers at the recent fire in New Kensington, near Pittsburgh, is visiting his father and mother Mr. and Mrs. James Rankin.

—Some of our delinquents who have forgotten what a WATCHMAN receipt looks like in and pay up tomorrow. It would be a capital April fool on the printer.

—W. H. McClintock, the man who makes boxes for fine paper at the Lock Haven paper mill, has driven 21-40,000 nails in the past two years. An average of six every minute.

—Two new mines are being opened in the vicinity of Phillipsburg and editor Bair, of the Journal, thinks it sufficient cause for a rooster. He ought to put a rooster up for that electric railway, but he'll have wings himself by the time it gets to Phillipsburg.

—Miss Maiza Graham, the Allegheny street milliner, left for New York, on Monday morning where she will study the latest effects in feminine head gear. She will return after Easter with the finest line of millinery goods ever brought to this place.

—Miss Fanny Twitmyer, who graduated at Millersville Normal School, and who is now assistant music teacher in that institution, returned to her work Monday, after a ten day's vacation pleasantly spent at home, attending conference and seeing friends.

—The horned toad which Edward B. sent from Arizona to George B. Ward last fall is dead. The funny looking animal attracted considerable attention in Parrish's drug store, but owing to the owner's inability to supply it with ants, its only food, it died.

—Mr. J. Moyer, a pleasant old gentleman from near Penn Hall and a WATCHMAN subscriber for over forty years, was in town on Tuesday. After transacting his business in town, he dropped into our sanctum to cheer it with kindly words of encouragement.

—Centre county lost one of her best husbands yesterday, when Mr. Uriah Gates moved from the Reynolds' farm, in Banner township, to Birmingham, Huntingdon county, where he will make his future home. The WATCHMAN will keep him well informed as to the doings of the friends he leaves hereabouts.

—A boy rushed into Parrish's North ward drug store on Sunday evening and, throwing down what appeared to be a prescription, asked for a bottle of it. The clerk opened the blank and was surprised to find only the word "Apothecaries" written on it. Now the question arises did the boy want the proprietor and his clerk both done up in a bottle or not. He took a bottle of opiac, however, which was about the next best thing.

## THE VALENTINE IRON COMPANY PROSPERS.

The following excerpt from the Nittany Bulletin, an occasional publication by the Valentine Iron Company, will give our readers a good idea of what has been done at the big iron plant since its operation by the present company. The Bulletin is a neat little publication, teeming with interest to patrons of the company and its first appearance was made on Tuesday evening last, the day the fires were relighted in the furnace.

"To-day we start in on our second blast. Our first blast was begun June 3, 1891 and ended February 12, 1893. Less than 36 hours were lost for repairs and accidents in the entire run of 620 days. During this time we made 54782 gross tons or 62476 net tons of iron. In making it we have used an average of over 80 per cent. of our own Nittany Valley brown hematite ores. For fully six months at a time we have run on these ores exclusively. In mining and preparing the ores on our own territory within 4 miles of the furnace we have a constant force of 300 men employed. This gives us a steady supply, and enables us to run our furnace on practically the same mixtures. The result is a uniformly satisfactory iron,—and few complaints. From our last two years experience, we feel warranted in saying that there are few irons in the market better adapted for the best class of foundry work than "Nittany." Among this class of the trade we find a ready market in Baltimore, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Reading, Central and Eastern Pennsylvania, Troy, Albany, Auburn, and a number of New England points. Once introduced "Nittany" commands the highest price and gives the best satisfaction. Our friends rarely desert us, and where they have tried to avoid our firm prices, after a short period they invariably return to the fold convinced that in foundry work a reliable brand is worth most money. Many foundrymen have still to learn that 25 or 30 cents less per ton for iron will rarely save them over \$200. per year, whilst a single day's bad melt will cost more than this sum in lost castings, and extra machine work.

On February 12th we blew out for relining. Our former hearth and walls had been in use for three and a half years. By continuous work, day and night, in five weeks time we have taken out the old and put in a new hearth and lining. Some idea of this undertaking may be formed when we state that in three weeks time fully 175,000 fire bricks were built into the furnace. This and all other repairs are completed, and with care and no accidents, we hope this work may last for five years.

When we blew out we supposed we had sufficient iron to tide us over to April 1st. In this we were mistaken. For the past ten days we have been without a single ton for shipment, and to-day our furnace yard is as clean as though no iron had ever been made on the plant. On several grades of foundry irons we are already stocked with orders for weeks ahead, and in all our departments we feel satisfied we will be crowded for some months to come."

## JOSEPH R. HILLBISH DEAD.

Joseph R. Hillbish, a well known and highly respected resident of this city died suddenly on Wednesday night at five minutes to 12, at his home, No. 10 Tibbets avenue. On Tuesday evening he was about town in apparently good health, but on returning to his home at an early hour complained of pains in his sides. Wednesday morning his wife decided that her husband needed immediate medical aid and she sent for Dr. Stewart, who came to the sufferer's aid and found his patient in a comatose condition, in which state he remained until death came. At the request of his wife and friends an inquest and post mortem was held. Coroner Slocum impaneled the following jury: A. N. Heard, foreman; J. W. Hayes, H. L. Brinker, W. I. Sweet, W. W. Cheney and Jas. Cremin. The jury met at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon and listened to some evidence after which they adjourned to meet Friday morning at Rocklyn Hall. At the session Friday morning Doctors Benninghoff and Stewart testified as to the autopsy made, after which the jury rendered the following verdict: "That Joseph R. Hillbish came to his death from natural causes produced by congestion of the brain. No traces of poisonous substances being found."

The funeral took place Saturday morning from his late residence, No. 10 Tibbets avenue, Rev. Dr. Houghton officiating, and was attended by a large number of friends. The remains were interred in Oak Hill cemetery. The deceased was aged 44 years. He leaves a wife, two sisters, and five brothers to mourn his loss. He was Treasurer of Deway Union, E. A. U., also a member of the Order of the World. Deway Union attended the funeral in a body.

## Bradford Sunday News.

The above notice gives the full particulars of the death of Joseph Hillbish whose home was formerly in this place and whose death was mentioned in our last issue.

—J. P. Gephart, Esq., journeyed over to Millheim on Tuesday.

—Prof. Spangenberg's band will give a concert in the pavilion some night soon.

—There are three hundred and sixty-one inmates in the Huntingdon Reformatory.

—Ex-Associate Judge Chester Munson has sold his home in Phillipsburg to Dr. J. W. Dunwiddie.

—The Easter exercises at the Bellefonte High school, yesterday afternoon, were well attended and interesting.

—The auditors of Young township, Jefferson county, have been arrested for their willful failure to provide tickets for the recent election.

—The Pennsylvania State College completed its winter session on Wednesday and the students departed for a week's vacation.

—The fires of the Valentine Iron Co's furnace were relighted on Tuesday at two o'clock. Elizabeth the interesting little daughter of J. W. Gephart, president of the company applied the torch.

—On last Thursday George Powell was injured so badly by the cars, on the Beech Creek railroad, at Jersey Shore, that his death resulted shortly after the accident. He was a son of Cal. L. Pownell, of Snow Shoe, one of the old Snow Shoe R. E. engineers and the man who played with rattlesnakes on our streets two years ago.

—The frame house in Bush's addition owned by S. M. Buck and occupied by Frank Garret and family was completely destroyed by fire last Friday night. The occupants were away at the time and as the stove and pipe had been taken down it is thought that a spark from the flue set the house on fire. Mr. Garret had \$400 insurance on his furniture and Mr. Buck \$800 on the building.

—Mercantile appraiser Frank Hess, of Phillipsburg, was in Bellefonte on Monday finishing his work here. He expected to wind up the whole job on Wednesday, having made the creditable record of doing his work in just two weeks time. Mr. Hess reported business throughout the county generally in a good condition, though he said that he heard more complaints right here in Bellefonte than in all the rest of the territory he covered.

—The Zion normal and classical institute will open on Monday, April 17th. The trustees have secured the services of Prof. Thomas H. Linsbach, of Lancaster, Pa. The patrons of the school are fortunate in getting Prof. L. to conduct it, as he is a teacher of large experience and comes highly recommended by the faculty. We are glad to state that the school in Zion is in a flourishing condition and the spring session will be largely attended.

—The funeral of Dr. William C. Grove, who died at his home in Milesburg, on Sunday evening last, took place Wednesday afternoon, under the direction of the Old Fellows and was one of the largest that has gone into the Union cemetery for some time.

Several years ago when Dr. Grove was Milesburg's most prominent physician, he was driving out toward Marsh Creek, in the midst of a thunder storm, when suddenly his horses dropped as though shot, and he himself was so stunned by the electricity that he never recovered from the shock. Two men who happened to be near at the time went to his assistance and when he recovered consciousness it was found that his mind as well as his body had been hurt. Some time afterward he was taken to Danville in hopes that a change would be beneficial, but as he grew no better he was finally brought home. He was about fifty-six years old and his death was the result of a fall, he had last Monday week, from a porch roof, onto which he had stepped from his window in the absence of his nurse. His wife, daughter and son survive.

## LILLEY-OLEWINE.

The nuptials of Miss Minnie S. Olewine, of this place, and Walter Lilley, of Montgomery, Pa., were solemnized at the home of the bride's brother, John Olewine, on Willowbank street, at high noon on Wednesday, Rev. Miles O. Noll, of the Reformed church, officiating. Only the immediate relatives of the young people, with a few warm friends, were present to witness the unostentatious, though impressive ceremony. The bride is the youngest daughter of the late Samuel Olewine and is a most exemplary young woman. She is a graduate of the Bellefonte High school. Mr. Lilley is well known in this place as it was while in the employ of W. A. Lyon and Sreyer's that he won his fair bride. He is now running a meat market with Harry Sitzer, a Centre county boy as partner in business. They departed for a honey moon trip on the 2:15 train and will go to house-keeping in Montgomery. Miss Mary Olewine, the bride's oldest sister, will make her home with Mr. and Mrs. Lilley for the present as the old home here is now broken up.

## BE ON THE LOOK OUT APRIL FOOL.

—To-morrow is the day of all days on which our readers—Oh, pardon the slip, for we know none of you are fools, must be on the lookout for the practical joker. He will be lying in wait for you—and with malice afore thought. All kinds of schemes will be worked with untiring energy. If you see a nice fat pocket book lying on the sidewalk, don't pick it up, for you will feel funny when you find it jerked out of your grasp by an invisible string and then hear the sly chuckle of a lot of youngsters concealed in some hiding place. If there happens to be an old hat or band box in your way don't kick it unless your toe nails are too long and you want to knock them off on the brick that will be concealed within.

But what is this day on which everyone tries to make a fool of everyone else and what tradition have we to tell us whence the custom comes. The following are a few of the supposed origins which we find in an exchange:

"April—the day when a big part of the world makes a monkey of the other part, when trousers are sewed up before breakfast, when doughnuts are stuffed with cotton and when coffee is salted; the day when the knowing boy dispatches a younger brother to see a public statue descend from its pedestal at an appointed hour, and when the funny acquaintance inquires of a young lady 'why her bangs won't stay bung,' only to chuckle 'April fool!' at her when her hand flies up to her head.

From time immemorial April 1 has been consecrated to foolishness. Accounts differ as to the origin of the anniversary. All sorts of theories have been advanced, but no two agree. Each race has its own explanation for the queer customs practiced on this date.

The world seems destined to remain in the dark as to the origin of April fooling. Extensive research has been made in ancient and modern literature, but, while many allusions to the custom have been found, no one has as yet been able to trace the source of the peculiar anniversary, or to state how long it has been in existence. Dr. Peggio advances a plausible theory in his explanation that the old Roman New Year festival, when the year began March 25, lasted eight days, and that April 1, the last day, was given over to wild revelry. But this idea is rather unsatisfactory.

It is important to note that the Hindus have in their Huli, which terminates about April 1, a peculiarly similar festival, during which they dispatch people on foolish errands with messages to fictitious persons. The fact that April fooling prevails all over the globe, and on practically the same day, indicates that the anniversary has had an early origin among mankind. Swift in his letters to Stella, writes, March 31, 1713, about the arrangements that he and his friends, Dr. Arbuthnot and Lady Masham, had made for the circulation of "a lie for the morrow," whereby everybody was to be beguiled into believing that one Noble, hanged a few days before, had come to life again and was in the hands of the Sheriff, who was in a quandary as to what his duty required of him in the case.

Toreen, a Swede of the eighteenth century, shows that April 1 was known as All Fools' Day in his land by writing that "We set sail April 1, but the wind made April fools of us, and we were obliged to return."

The people of Lisbon, Portugal, have a carnival of nonsense similar to the American celebration of All Fools' Day, but they hold it for two days—the Sunday and Monday before Lent.

Some, who have given the matter study, ascribe to April fooling a Biblical origin. They assert that the custom of sending one on a bootless errand is a travesty on the sending hither and thither of the Savior from Annus to Caiphas, and from Pilate to Herod; because, during the middle ages, this scene in Christ's life was made the subject of a play at Easter, which occurs near the first of April.

There is a tradition among the Hebrews that the custom of making fools on the 1st of April arose from the fact that Noah sent out the dove on the first day of the month corresponding to our April, before the water had abated. To perpetuate the memory of the great deliverance of Noah and his family, it was customary on this anniversary to punish persons who had forgotten the remarkable circumstance connected with the date, by sending them on some bootless errand similar to that on which the patriarch sent the luckless bird from the window of the ark."

## THE OPENING OF THE TROUT SEASON.

—There is a general impression throughout the county that the lawful season for catching trout begins on April 1st which is a mistaken one. The law has not been changed and fishermen must wait until the 15th of April before they dare begin angling for the speckled beauties or abide by the consequences of the law.

—An immense stock of spring clothing, children's suits \$1.25 up—Boys suits \$2.50 up—Men's suits \$3.50 up. Lyon & Co.

—Rev. Black and wife, of Pine Grove Mills, were visitors in town on Wednesday.

—New spring wraps just opened. Blouses and jackets with or without capes from \$3.00 up. Lyon & Co.

—The Tyrone home talent opera company will sing "Pinafore" on the 15th and 17th of April.

—Furniture at lower prices at E. Brown Jr's. than any place in Centre county.

—Prof. D. M. Wolf, who will soon open the Spring Mills academy for a summer school term, was in town on Wednesday.

—Have you seen E. Brown Jr's stock of wall paper.

—The Board of Pardons refused to grant a pardon to William B. Hamilton the Houtzdale bank embezzler, at its meeting on Tuesday.

—The grandest line of young men's suit in black, blue, and brown chevots \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.00, \$8.00, \$10.00, \$12.00. Lyon & Co.

—WATCHMAN subscribers who change their place of residence this Spring will please notify us so we can get the new address on our list.

—Miss Alexander, a daughter of James Alexander, of Centre Hall, and a very charming young woman was shopping in Bellefonte on Monday.

—Tyrone had a female pugilistic encounter on Friday night. Both of the participants were badly used up and two suits for assault and battery are now on.

—While near by towns are wallowing in mud Bellefonte is actually in need of rain to keep down the dust. There is a difference in towns, you know.

—Clearfield people didn't see much good in Henry George, the single tax advocate, and didn't go to hear him, consequently the committee had to go down in its pockets for cash.

—Dr. Leonard Pearson, the University of Pennsylvania veterinarian, who had been holding the clinics at State College during the past winter completed his course last Saturday.

—We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of an invitation to the second annual ball to be given by the West Branch Lodge No 338 B. of L. F. of Renova, on the evening of April 8th.

—Call and see E. Brown Jr's. stock of furniture and wall paper.

—An exchange remarks that a good many years ago when a boy was whipped at school he received another whipping when he went home. These days the father and mother wipe his tears away, and go before the board and make a complaint.

—The ejection case which the WATCHMAN noticed last week and which occupied the attention of a special term of court was decided in favor of the Tyrone Mining and Manufacturing Company, on Saturday night. James Cross having lost.

—Miss Myra Holliday is home from Wilson College, at Chambersburg, for the Easter vacation. She is entertaining two charming school friends at her home on North Allegheny street. They are Miss Virginia Sudler, of Philadelphia, and Miss Clara Stuckey, of Dayton, Ohio.

—The Wisconsin club of Bellefonte is contemplating the erection of a neat club house on the island in Spring creek just above this office. The idea of constructing a building at such a place is unique, but nevertheless a good one and such a house would undoubtedly prove quite a resort.

—Of John R. Clarke, who can be heard in the Court House to-morrow, Saturday night. The Toronto Morning Mail says "He appeared again last evening. Great audiences have greeted him. His theme was a very attractive one, 'To and Fro in London'. Nine hundred people heard him in St. Andrew's Hall. His humor, songs, eloquence and characteristic bits of old country life were richly enjoyed by the audience and we deem it an exquisite entertainment, and declare every man, woman, and child should hear this man of eloquence.

TO THE COMRADES OF THE FIFTH SERVES. The Seventh Annual Reunion of the boys of the "Old Fifth" will be held in Williamsport on Wednesday, May 10th, 1893. Make your arrangements to be there. Let me know by letter or postal whether you will attend. Also send me the names of any comrades that you know of, or who may live in your section, so that orders for excursion tickets may be sent them. Other notices either in paper or by postal, will be sent you. Get yourself in marching order. Rations can be obtained in Williamsport. For further information address Wm. Hayes Grier, Secretary of the Association, Columbia, Pa.

## WHAT SPRING WATER WILL DO.

During the stay of the Central Pennsylvania Methodist Episcopal conference in this place two weeks ago, many of the ministers found time to visit the beautiful spring whence the pure sparkling water they drank, while here, came, and which has supplied Bellefonte with drink ever since it has been a town. Of course that beautiful body of clear limestone water, which at a depth of eight feet looks scarcely more than that many inches, was the first source of interest to the visitors, but another sight almost invariably attracted their attention before they left the place. All the way around the spring engineer Ryan has a nice gravel walk fringed on either side by grass, and while the grass everywhere else was brown and shriveled by the winter's frost this was growing as if it had been bathed with a June rain the evening before. Fully three inches long and as green and fresh as it will ever be, that little grass plot was truly a summer garden in winter.

The wonder is how could the grass grow and appear so green when all else was frozen so hard and brown. But the fact that spring water never freezes suggests itself and we find the answer. The mists from the Spring always hang about its banks thus protecting the grass from the blighting frost.

—Wall paper of all kinds at a very low figure can be had at E. Brown Jr's.

—WARNING TO ROPE JUMPERS.—The jumping rope season is here and the participants in that exercise must have a care lest their desire to out jump their associates will exceed their physical powers, with disastrous consequences. Every year several deaths are recorded from this injudicious pastime, and one has already been reported from South Williamsport. Her funeral took place Sunday from the M. E. church in that city. She died Friday night from the effects of excessive rope jumping a few days before. She was eight years old.—Lock Haven Democrat.

—Spring wraps, shoulder capes etc., from \$2.00 up. Lyon & Co.

FOR RENT.—A seven room two story brick house on Burns street, Reservoir hill, with an acre of ground attached; hard and soft water on the premises; all modern conveniences. Also an eight room 2 1/2 story dwelling house on Allegheny street, between Logan and Bishop. Inquire of E. Brown, Jr.

—Go to E. Brown Jr's. for your wall paper.

—Latest novelties in Spring clothing for Men, Boys and Children. The best suit in the market for men at \$10.00. Tailoring a specialty. MONTGOMERY & CO.

## Seamstress Wants Work.

Mrs. Lindemuth has moved to No. 29 E. Howard street where she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of sewing, she sews by the day or receives work at her home. Orders by mail promptly responded to. She will be pleased to welcome her old customers and solicit new patronage. 3-13-93.

## Announcements.

We are authorized to announce W. J. Carlin, of Miles township, a candidate for the office of Register of Centre county. Subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention. 3-29-93.

We are authorized to announce John I. Potter, of Boggs township, a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Centre county subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

## Sale Register.

April 1st—At the residence of Henry Gieger 3/4 mile west of Linden Hall, horses, cows, young cattle, sheep and implements of all kinds. Sale at 1 o'clock p. m.

## Bellefonte Grain Market.

Corrected weekly by Geo. W. JACKSON & Co. The following are the quotations up to 12 o'clock, Thursday evening, when our paper goes to press:

White wheat..... 67  
Old wheat, per bushel..... 72  
Red wheat, per bushel new..... 73  
Rye, per bushel..... 69  
Corn, ears, per bushel..... 50  
Corn, shelled, per bushel..... 50  
Oats—new, per bushel..... 35  
Barley, per bushel..... 48  
Ground Plaster, per ton..... 9 50  
Buckwheat per bushel..... 49 30 to 49 60  
Cloverseed, per bushel..... 49 30 to 49 60

## Bellefonte Produce Markets.

Corrected weekly by Sechler & Co.

Potatoes per bushel..... 85 to 90  
Eggs, per dozen..... 12 to 15  
Lard, per pound..... 12  
Country shoulders..... 12  
Sides..... 12  
Hams..... 14  
Pallow, per pound..... 5  
Butter, per pound..... 25  
Onion..... 85  
Apples..... 30 to 85  
Cabbage..... 4 to 8 c

## The Democratic Watchman.

Published every Friday morning in Bellefonte, Pa., at \$2 per annum (if paid strictly in advance) \$2.50 when not paid in advance, and \$3.00 if not paid before the expiration of the year; and no paper will be discontinued until all arrearage is paid, except at the option of the publisher.

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 8 \$ 11  
Two inches..... 7 16 16  
Three inches..... 10 15 30  
Quarter Column (3 1/2 inches)..... 12 30 30  
Half Column (7 inches)..... 20 35 55  
One Column (12 inches)..... 35 55 100

Advertisements in special column, 25 per cent. additional.  
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Each additional insertion, per line..... 5 cts.  
Local notices, per line..... 25 cts.  
Business notices, per line..... 10 cts.  
Job Printing of every kind done with neatness and dispatch. The WATCHMAN office has been refitted with Power Presses and New Type, and everything in the printing line can be executed in the most artistic manner and at the lowest rates. Terms—CASH.  
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