

Democratic Watchman

Bellefonte, Pa., Sep. 8, 1893.

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

THINGS ABOUT TOWN & COUNTY

—Tuesday night's rain was a good one for this section.

—The summer term of the Spring Mills academy closed last Friday.

—Ice holds its own this cool weather, but the ice man is losing weight.

—Bellefonte has within her confines many speedy horses, and some beauties among them.

—Two weeks from to-day we will have a day during which the night and day will be of equal length.

—The Fall session of the Pennsylvania State College will open on Wednesday morning, September 13th.

—Tyrona vs. Bellefonte at the park to-day. The last championship game of the season between these two clubs.

—It is rumored that Miss Mary Bradley will return to Bellefonte to become organist in St. John's Episcopal church.

—Billy Crawford is mad. It is a girl, and Billy thought he should have had another son.

—Work was resumed in all departments of the Tyrona paper mill on Monday morning.

—On next Sunday the annual harvest thanksgiving service will be held in the Reformed church in this place.

—Next Monday, September 11th, will be the Jewish New Year's day and all their stores in this place will be closed until 6 o'clock p. m.

—Bails are now laid on the new rail-road as far as Hecla Furnace, where the building of an iron bridge has stopped the work for a time.

—Prof. W. A. Krise, of Johnstown, well known about Spring Mills, married Miss Ella G. Haunner, of Roxbury, Cambria county, yesterday.

—The Phoenix flouring mill delivery wagon broke down at the High street bridge, on Monday morning. The spindle broke off one of the back wheels.

—The Central Synod of the Lutheran church will meet in the new church, in this place, on Wednesday, September 27th. It will be in session several days.

—The Veteran's picnic at the park, on Saturday, was the largest ever known in the history of that organization. Nearly five thousand people were there.

—Hunters report a scarcity of squirrels. Very few of the many sportsmen, who went out from here on the morning of the 1st, brought more than one or two squirrels home.

—The voters of Union township will hereafter vote at the private house of Samuel Brugger, and the polling place for Unionville borough will be in the new hall of the P. O. S. of A.

—The water continues low in Spring creek and every day the boys loop dozens of suckers, within view of our windows. The fish are excellent eating and vary in size from 12 to 18 inches.

—At the meeting of the board of trade on Tuesday evening it was decided to boom Bellefonte by issuing an illustrated pamphlet setting forth our exceptional qualifications as a manufacturing centre.

—Residents of some portions of town are greatly worried over the nocturnal appearance of an apparition which no one seems able to exactly describe. Some have an idea that there is a romance under the "spook."

—The Bellefonte ball club is away playing a series of exhibition games. On Monday it defeated Clearfield 22 to 2, and on Tuesday and Wednesday was beaten by Punxsutawney by the scores of 2 to 0 and 4 to 1 respectively.

—The primary grades of the Bellefonte public schools began the work of a new year, on Monday, and as early as seven o'clock in the morning groups of little children were noticed about the school house doors. It won't be thus after while.

—Cards are out announcing the coming marriage of Miss Catharine Miles Green, daughter of F. Potts Green of this place, to Mr. Clevan Dinges, of Williamsport, Pa. The ceremony will be performed in the Presbyterian church, at high noon, on Wednesday, September 20th.

—Two Bellefonte polling places have been changed by decree of the court. The North ward will hereafter vote in the stone school building, on Allegheny street, and the West ward has been ordered to vote in the basement of the new United Brethren church, at the corner of Thomas and High streets, but that will be impossible, because the place is too small for such a purpose. Another place will have to be looked up for the West ward voters.

THE NEW LUTHERAN CHURCH DEDICATED.

—Sunday was a perfect day and the members of the Lutheran church of this place were correspondingly happy.

For four years they had been struggling to build a place of worship to which they could point with pride. Trouble in every form confronted the first efforts at building, but Sunday saw the culmination of their long work and the fact that their day of dedication was blessed with perfect weather was a source of much gratification.

The first service was held in the morning at 10:30, and all the other churches in town, except two, having been closed there was a general outpouring of the other congregations, all eager to hear the treats in store for them. After the choir had sung the chorus: "The Lord is in His Holy Temple" and the invocation had been made, the scripture lesson for the morning was read by Dr. Laurie, pastor of the Presbyterian church. The congregation sang and Dr. McKnight offered a prayer for help and guidance in the conduct of the service.

Another hymn was sung, then Mr. Hoshour, the pastor, introduced Rev. Dr. E. J. Wolf, professor of church history and new testament exegesis in the Gettysburg Theological Seminary. His sermon was founded on "upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it," and from it he drew an effective comparison between the immortal and mortal building of a church. He said "the builder takes the conglomerate mass of stone, mortar, wood, iron and other materials and, apparently without knowing what he is doing, perfects a structure rich in beauty and symmetry, but only as the architect may have designed it." Thus he explained that the building of the material church structure corresponds precisely with Christ's building of the church of God. All the elements entering into its construction being in the crude state before brought into use and when the church is complete these will be a homogeneous, beautiful whole which has existed in the eye of God, since the time when the work was begun. This led to a discussion of the progression of the christian church and he concluded by referring to the World's Columbian Exposition as the most conclusive evidence that christianity has been progressive. The sermon was just a half hour in length.

Rev. Hoshour made a statement of the church finances showing that the building had cost something over \$15,000 of which \$11,775 had already been paid and asked that \$4,000 be raised that morning in order to clear the debt. The congregation responded liberally and by the time of dismissal \$2,045 had been subscribed.

The evening service was quite as well attended as had been that of the morning and Dr. McKnight's masterly production with "the love of God" as the text of his theme, was greatly enjoyed. He is the president of Gettysburg College and is a man of superior accomplishments. \$850 more of the indebtedness was raised and as the Board of Church Extension had guaranteed \$1000 on the day of dedication, the trustees assumed the balance and the pretty structure was dedicated to the worship of God.

Rev. Fischer, of Centre Hall, and Rev. Aikens, of Pine Grove, were visiting ministers of the Lutheran denomination who assisted in the dedication. The Bellefonte churches were nearly all represented by their pastors.

THE NEW CHURCH IN DETAIL.

The new Lutheran church, which now ornaments the south-east corner of Linn and Allegheny streets, is a red brick structure, 60x100 ft. The general tendency in its design is towards the Gothic style of architecture. It fronts on Allegheny street, but the Linn street view is quite as ornamental as the other. Its division is into a church auditorium, chapel or Sunday school room, library, study and infant rooms; all so arranged with sliding doors that the whole interior can be thrown together in times of necessity. The auditorium is 43x43 ft in the clear, and is finished in dark antique oak. A neat terra cotta Brussels carpet covers the inclined floor and when the pretty vaulted ceilings are frescoed it will make one of the handsomest places in town. The seating of the auditorium is semi-circular, thus throwing the pulpit in the one corner or exactly in the middle of the side of the building whence it commands all the rooms when thrown into use. The building throughout is finished in antique oak, and shades of terra cotta prevail in the carpets. The Sunday school room and other adjoining it are perfect in appointment. Just over the infant room and study is a gallery which will accommodate a number of people when entertainments are given in the Sunday school room.

The building will be heated from a furnace in the cellar and is lighted with gas. The combination gas and electric fixtures forming no small part of its ornamentation. The windows are all of richly colored glass and especial care for harmony was observed in their design. A large memorial window in the auditorium will keep the memory of the late

Col. John H. Stover ever bright in the minds of those who see it from time to time. In the Sunday school room a handsome memorial window emblematical of Christ's saying "Suffer little children to come unto Me" was placed there as a monument to May Edith Dale, Marietta Musser, Annie Margaret Ishler and Frank F. Harbaugh, four children who died during the erection of the church.

The Lutheran congregation is to be congratulated that they have done so well in building themselves such a structure. Their number is small and for that reason the work was correspondingly large. It is an ornament to the town and another to our long list of well appointed and comfortable places of worship.

—Lock Haven is moving for the better care of her poor.

—The corner stone for a new Methodist church has been laid in Curwensville.

—Wall paper at Schreyers.

—The Sugar Valley rail-road boom is on again. News is getting scarce with the *Journal* man.

—Curwensville has lately passed a cow ordinance and the council of that town is getting abused accordingly.

—F. H. Cota, of Long Branch, N. J., has been called to the secretaryship of the Y. M. C. A. He is expected here about the 15th.

—Thos. C. McNeerney, a resident of Lock Haven for over forty years, died in that place Monday evening. He was a well known contractor and builder.

—The fall meetings of the Milton Fair Association will be held on October 3rd, 4th 5th and 6th. The races will be one of the features of this year's fair.

—The Williamsport *Sun* is responsible for a rumor that the passenger department of the Beech Creek rail-road will be moved from Jersey Shore to Philipsburg, on the 15th.

—Clinton county tobacco growers report an average crop. Cutting is in progress now and if the weather continues good until it is housed they will all be happy. It has not rusted and there has been no damage from hail.

—Wall paper at Schreyers.

—A bicycle tournament was held in Houtzdale, on Labor day, in which wheelmen from Centre, Clinton, Clearfield, Blair and Cambria counties took part. Lester Shaffer, of Curtin street, represented our flyers and won two of the events. He took the 1 mile free for all, against a field of five starters, in 2:47 winning it easy, without even having been forced to run his time down to the record he has made on the road here. Two gold medals were his reward.

—The Horatio mine, near Punxsutawney, caught fire last Thursday and is still burning. When the mine first took fire Tyrona and Altoona fire companies were called and sent to fight it with their engines, but the slope is a long one and the only way the fire can be put out is by flooding. An attempt at this is now being made. A miner named Moses Hughes and his two sons were in the mine and suffocated. Their bodies were recovered Friday evening.

—Madaline Merli's production of "a story of a kiss" at the opera house, on Monday night, was not to be compared with her work as "Frou Frou" in the engagement here last season. The play seems to be all right but there are so many situations in it that were beyond the grasp of the company. Miss Merli would perhaps have saved herself the annoyance of the laughter during all parts of the play had she have had "Maurice" working on a picture, during the first act, that bore some slight resemblance to the original. As it was the work of the artist was extremely farcical and spoiled the effect of the entire company's work.

—The second annual convention of the Epworth League of Central Pennsylvania Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church will be held in Williamsport, Pa., Oct. 17th, 18th and 19th, 1893. This convention will be the largest gathering of Methodist young people that ever assembled in Pennsylvania. It will bring together the best heart and the best brain of the young people of the great Methodist church. Enthusiasm is already high in anticipation of the coming of this army of christian young people. The new opera house, with a seating capacity of twenty-five hundred, has been rented for the great mass meeting, Wednesday Oct. 18. Dr. Berry editor of *Epworth Herald* and two bishops will be present, "Epworth Songs" will be the singing book used. Entertainment will be provided for all delegates. Low rates at good hotels can be had by all who are not delegates. Make your plans that you may enjoy this great gathering in one of the most beautiful cities of Pennsylvania.

WAHN GOT FIVE YEARS.

—"The verdict, your honor, is, that we find John N. Wahn guilty in the manner and form indicted" was the way foreman McCann announced the decision of the jury that concluded its labors on the Wahn case last Friday evening.

The story of the arrest of John M. Wahn, of Lock Haven, at one time secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of that city and later a "quack" doctor with massage treatment as his hobby, is a familiar one to the readers of the *WATCHMAN*. His trial for practicing abortion on the person of Mrs. Maize Winkleman, of Nittany Hall, thereby indirectly causing her death, began last Thursday morning and every effort that his attorneys, Messrs E. R. Chambers and Wilbur F. Reeder, could put forth to save him was of no avail as against the strong chain the Commonwealth, represented by District Attorney Singer and ex-Judge Orvis, had fastened about him.

There is little use in going into detail of the crime for which he is now in the penitentiary as the facts will be all that are necessary. It was proven that Wahn went to the home of Mrs. Horace Winkleman, by appointment in May last, and there, according to his own statement, undertook abortion to relieve her of a fetus. The evidence brought out all went to show that the accused had been making a specialty of abortion and when he came to be sentenced, in his statement to the court, he acknowledged it and said that had he have had entree into Mrs. Winkleman's case she would not have died. It was proven that the abortion upon Mrs. Winkleman had been pre-arranged as all of her children had been sent away from home and her two sisters had met there, one of whom Judge Furst directly implicated as an accomplice when he sentenced Wahn.

It took the jury a little over two hours to decide. It stood 11 to 1 for conviction, on the first ballot, and that one only hesitated because he had not clearly understood some statements made during the trial. The verdict was announced on Friday evening, but the sentence was not given until Monday morning when Judge Furst gave the prisoner the following: \$300 fine, costs of prosecution and five years at solitary confinement and hard labor in the western penitentiary. By good behavior he will get about thirteen months off. The sentence was given early in the morning of court and on the 10:20 train west. Sheriff Ishler, with Deputies W. G. Runkle and Williams Collins took John M. Wahn for five years. S. C. Bennet 1 year for larceny, and W. H. Young 1 year and 9 months, also for larceny.

Wahn is an intelligent fellow and realizes the disgrace into which he has fallen very keenly.

WHAT CONGRESS MEANS.—At the present time when all eyes are turned toward Washington and the people, in general, seem to be manifesting a keen interest in the doings of our Senators and Congressmen there is danger of a confusion in the minds of some owing to the several and apparently contradictory meaning of the word Congress.

The original meaning and use of the word Congress was as a collective term by which the upper and lower branches of our national government were designated. The one being spoken of as the upper house of Congress, the other, as the lower house. But as the upper is made up of Senators it came to be known as the Senate, while the lower house became popular as Congress.

The danger of confusion in the use of the word is in reading an article which says "Congress has repealed the Sherman bill," or something similar, when it has, and has not. The lower branch of Congress has repealed it, but the Senate has not voted on the measure yet, hence Congress cannot be said to have repealed it until both branches have so acted. Just a little care will soon lead to a clear understanding of the dual use of the word.

AT COUNCIL MONDAY NIGHT.—Monday night was an uneventful one with the councilmen, excepting in the little "dab" they gave the chairman of the Street committee by voting that hereafter he can employ no one but residents of the borough to work on the streets.

A scarcity of water was reported from east Bishop street and another complaint was lodged against the bad condition of south High street, on Reservoir hill. Both were referred to the proper committees. The Fuel and Supply Co., was granted permission to erect an oil station in the hollow near the car works. The privilege was granted for a period of ten years. All committees reported favorably with their work. The treasurer showed that the finances of the borough are in a deplorable condition, without much prospect of improving, and council adjourned.

The tenth annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, of Centre county, was held in the Presbyterian church, in Milesburg, on Wednesday. Mrs. A. M. Holbey, of Pittston, Pa., was the chief drawing card.

Judge Mayer, of Clinton county, has rendered a decision to the effect that water rent is not a tax.

—Mr. and Mrs. William Ostrander, are mourning the death of their ten months old daughter. It died Sunday of cholera infantum.

—The fifty-third annual convention of the Allegheny synod of the general synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church is in session in Huntingdon.

—Carpets at Schreyers.

—The Clearfield county fair will be held on September 18th, 19th, 20th and 21st. Arrangements are being completed to make it the largest ever known in the history of that county.

—The Tyrona ball club will play its last championship game here to-day. Remember it will be the last game in which our vanquished friends from Blair county will play in Bellefonte this season.

—If there was a race track at the park, some carousals, a roller coaster and a string band for dancing it would become, in a very short time, one of the most popular resorts in the central part of the State.

—The first copy of the Spangler *Sentinel*, the new Republican paper that will champion the interests of that growing mining town on top of the Alleghenies is before us on our desk. It is a neat, well gotten up, four page paper and if Mr. Pannebaker puts the same ginger in it that has made his *Coalport Standard* so readable it will be sure to go.

We invite the attention of our readers to the advertisement on an other column offering Paragon Plaster for sale. This plaster has been thoroughly tested and is a first class article for plastering rooms in houses churches and especially school houses, because it is hard and strong. It dries quickly and is well adapted for jobs to be quickly done. For sale by McCalmont & Co.

—Carpets at Schreyers.

Among the speakers at the Centre county Veteran Club's picnic at the park, on Saturday were: General Beaver, president of the Club, Judge Grier, of Butler county, Henry Hall, of the *Pittsburg Times*; T. P. Rynder, of Erie county; R. A. Cassidy, Mayor of Canton, Ohio; ex-Governor A. G. Curtin; Prof. John Hamilton, of State College, and S. B. Miller, of Bellefonte, The Milesburg, State College, and Half Moon bands were there to discourse sweet music and Joshua Folk's drum corps reminded the boys in blue of the days of '65.

News Purely Personal.

—J. C. Meyer Esq., is in Coburn on business.

—S. D. Ball Esq., of Lock Haven, had legal business in town on Wednesday.

—The Misses Bryner, of Sewickley, are visiting at the home of F. W. Crider.

—James Pierpoint, of Pittsburg, was an arrival in town on Tuesday evening.

—Ex-county Prothonotary L. A. Schaffer and wife left, on Friday, for the Fair.

—Miss Jennie Furst, daughter of Hon. A. O. Furst, in entertaining her friend Marie Chamberlain, of Harrisburg.

—Roland Curtin, Bellefonte's aspirant for honors in the U. S. Navy is home for a fortnight's furlough from Annapolis.

—Able Markle, that jolly, good fellow who serves State College people with toothsome meats, was caller on Monday.

—Dr. I. S. Lytle, of Philipsburg, was an attendant at court on Tuesday. The case in which he was interested will not be reached this week.

—J. P. Gephart Esq., and wife have returned from an extended visit to Mrs. Gephart's home in Logansville. The "Squire" is greatly improved in health.

—Harry Green came over from Philipsburg to spend Labor day and Sunday at his home here. He is a book keeper in the Moshannon bank in that place.

—Miss Julia C. Gray, stenographer of the Pennsylvania State College Experiment Station was one of a party of Fair travellers, from the College, on Monday.

—J. S. McCargar, our tobaccoist and billiardist who is now introducing the Keystone Suspension fence to Bradford county farmers, spent Sunday at his home here.

—Walter and Mrs. Bayard, of Washington, D. C. have been spending a few days at the home of their parents here. They stopped off on their way home from the Fair.

—Mrs. Nevin W. Fisher, of Boalsburg, was in town, on Saturday, on her way to the Veteran's picnic. She spent Sunday here and enjoyed the Lith:ran dedicatory services.

—J. C. Weaver and wife started on what will be a delightful trip on Wednesday morning. They go to Burlington, Vt., via New York City, the Hudson, and Lake Champlain.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Zomer are visiting at the home of their brother E. D. Osmer, on Willowbank street. They were recently married in Franklin, Pa., and are here on their wedding tour.

—Jas. F. Keller Esq., of Centre Hall, was in town on Monday along with a party of well known farmers throughout the county. They were here on business relating to the Grange organization.

—Miss Rebecca Blanchard, of Linn street, and Miss Eleanor Mitchell, of North Thomas street, have entered as students at Wellesley college. They departed for the famous Massachusetts Institution on Wednesday morning.

—On Monday morning Misses Jane McCalmont, Elizabeth Shortridge, and Marie Meek, of this place, Theresa Meek and Nora Gray, of Buffalo Run, and Mrs. Harvey Yarrington, of Richmond, Va., made up a party of World's Fair visitors. The same evening Hard P. Harris, Harry E. Fenion and Morimer O'Donoghue started for Chicago.

ATTEMPTED TO FIRE THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

—At an early hour last Saturday morning the sexton's wife went into the Presbyterian church, at the end of Howard street, to get it ready for the Sunday service and the moment she opened the door she noticed that the immense edifice was filled with smoke.

She immediately ran to the home of trustee John C. Miller, who lives a few doors down on Spring street, and awoke him. Upon investigating he found that the fire was located near the pulpit and running to the rear of the church he discovered a rear basement door burned through and flames burning fiercely at the joists. A dozen or more buckets of water saved the beautiful church from destruction.

The fire was undoubtedly the work of an incendiary as a charred peach basket in which had been inflammable material was found outside the door where it began. Had it not been for the timely discovery the church would have been in ruins now. If such fiends are caught, a rope with a noose would not be too good for them.

GOSPEL TEMPERANCE MEETINGS.—On Tuesday evening, September 19th, Maj. George A. Hilton, the renowned lecturer, will be here to begin a series of gospel temperance meetings. During the day he will hold meetings for all those who find it convenient to attend, at which Bible reading will be the special feature. Every effort is being put forth by the W. C. T. U. to make these meetings as attractive and entertaining as possible. In order to insure a large attendance they will be held in the Court House and will be free.

Maj. Hilton is well known in this community as a temperance orator and as an evangelist he has no small reputation. Remember that the work is for the good of all, and be sure to attend. Good music will be a feature. Turn out and make the series a ringing onslaught on king alcohol and you might be the instrument through which some fallen one will be saved.

A MONSTER CABBAGE HEAD.—Produce gardener, Theo. B. Haupt, whose truck farm on the old dam flat has furnishing the markets here with early vegetables for several years, shipped a head of cabbage to Philadelphia, on Wednesday morning, which for size beats anything we have ever heard of in this community. It weighed 27½ pounds. Mr. Haupt grew it from the seed of the "All head early cabbage" variety, purchased from W. Atlee Burpee & Co., the Philadelphia seedmen, and reports excellent results from all of their seeds. He expects to take a prize with his monster cabbage head.

Marriage.

STEELE—MILLER.—At the M. E. parsonage, July 26th, 1893, by Rev. Wm. A. Honck, W. T. Steele, of Lewisport, Pa., and Sue D. Miller, of Spring Mills, Pa.

RISSELL—PETERS.—At the same place and by the same Aug. 17th, 1893, Newton J. Risell and Annie R. Peters, both of Lemont.

WALTERS—BUSH.—At the same place and by the same Aug. 31st, 1893, W. R. Walters, of Koyser, W. Va., and Eva May Bush, of Unionville, Pa.

To the Tax Payers of Spring Township.

The undersigned will be in Bellefonte, on Wednesday, September 27th, at the office of J. R. Alexander, in the Garman building, from 9 a. m. to 5 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of receiving taxes.

W. H. TAYLOR, Collector.

Great cash sale of stiff hats brown, light brown, tan and black.

150 hats now \$1.00

200 " " 1.50

250-300 " 2.00

For Men and Boys MONTGOMERY & 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:

White wheat..... 65

Old wheat, per bushel..... 55

Rye, per bushel..... 50

Corn, ears, per bushel..... 25

Corn, shelled, per bushel..... 25

Oats—new, per bushel..... 22

Barley, per bushel..... 48

Ground Flaxseed, per ton..... 9 50

Buckwheat per bushel..... 75

Cloverseed, per bushel..... \$9.30 to \$9.60

Bellefonte Produce Markets.

Corrected weekly by Seehler & Co

Potatoes per bushel..... 60

Eggs, per dozen..... 12½

Lard, per pound..... 12

Country Shoulders..... 12

Sides..... 12

Hams..... 14

Fallow, per pound..... 4

Butter, per pound..... 18

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A liberal discount is made to persons advertising by the quarter, half year, or year, as follows:

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Two inches..... 7 10 13

Three inches..... 10 15 20

Quarter Column (4½ inches)..... 12 20 30

Half Column (9 inches)..... 20 35 55

One Column (18 inches)..... 35 55 100

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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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