

Democratic Watchman

Bellefonte, Pa., Oct 20, 1893.

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

THINGS ABOUT TOWN & COUNTY

—Only forty-two days until Thanksgiving.

—Christmas day will fall on Monday this year.

—Chestnuts are worth \$6.40 a bushel in the Bellefonte markets.

—Two "dagos" and two bears gave a show on the streets on Monday.

—If you know anything that will be news send it into this office. We want it.

—Chestnut burs are very well opened now and chestnut parties are the style.

—Friday night's wind storm unroofed many buildings at Lock Haven and Williamsport.

—The new vitrified brick crossing which crosses the west side of the Diamond promises to prove satisfactory.

—It is estimated that there are five million feet of stranded lumber on the river, between Lock Haven and Williamsport.

—County chairman J. C. Meyer is busy visiting his subcommittees throughout the county and expects to make a big poll this fall.

—James H. Hill, the Singer sewing machine agent at this place, was married, on last Saturday evening to Miss Mary Gates, of Bush's addition.

—There will be a game of foot-ball at Lewisburg to-morrow morning between the Bucknell University team and Pennsylvania College from Gettysburg.

—The whole town of Millheim turned out to chase a black bear that strayed into that place last Friday afternoon and the result was that the bear got away unhurt.

—Allison H. Miller, of Millheim, died last Saturday afternoon, with stomach trouble. He was 39 years of age and leaves a widow and two children to mourn his death.

—Just as we went to press last evening the expressman brought us some giant radishes. We will give full details and descriptions of these enormous vegetables next week.

—The Presbyterian church at Snow Shoe, which has been nicely remodeled, will be re-opened on Sunday, October 29th, and its pastor extends a cordial invitation to all who care to attend.

—Dr. A. W. Hafer, of Reynolds Ave., is the owner of a night blooming cereus that has been in flower three different times this season. This is a remarkable occurrence since this flower is supposed to bloom but once a year.

—John Freeman, of Baltic Mines, near Philipsburg, was brought here on Friday afternoon and put in jail charged with breaking in a window of McCausland's jewelry store in the latter place and taking various articles of jewelry. Capt. Simler had him in charge and when arrested at West Moshannon, last Thursday night, the prisoner confessed having stolen the articles some of which were found on his person.

—A most interesting series of religious meetings is being conducted by the evangelist, Lee S. Wheeler, in the hall of the Centre county bank building. At present the subjects appeal to the intellect as well as the heart and connect the simple and affecting truth of Christianity with living issues of the times. Good music is rendered. Next Sunday subjects: "What the Bible foretold of our times," 3 p. m.; "Is Christ coming near," 7:30 p. m.

—At a meeting of council on Monday night the ordinance, against allowing children under the age of fourteen years to remain on the streets after eight o'clock at night, was hunted up and instructions given the police to enforce it. The Water committee reported its work well in hand and negotiations with the electric light company for furnishing fifteen more arc lights were begun. The company offered to furnish thirty-five lights at \$102 a piece, under a contract for five years. A great many bills were signed.

—The Bellefonte Board of Trade held another meeting, on Tuesday night, and aside from considerable talking did very little business. The Board keeps piling new work on itself every week and the result will be that all will grow tired before any of it is completed unless the committees are allowed to catch up. The intent of the gentlemen, who thus hope to boom our town, is very commendable indeed, but the WATCHMAN fears that they are not going about it in the right way. They are doing everything in their power to induce manufacturers to locate here, but have they one specific offer as to a site, buildings, water rights, or a cash bonus to make should a prospective manufacturer turn up tomorrow.

THE DISTRICT CONVENTION A GREAT SUCCESS.—The first convention of the firemen of Clearfield, Centre and Clinton counties and of Tyrone and Bellwood, which was held in Philipsburg, on Wednesday, was a success in every sense of the word.

The town had been gaily attired by professional decorators and when the firemen arrived Wednesday morning it looked more as if dressed for a national holiday than simply in honor of visitors. Arches, bunting and flags were artistically arranged on street and building and Philipsburg capped the climax by even surpassing her wonted hospitality. Everything was done to the pink of nicety, the arrangements had been carefully made and fully carried out. No hitches were discernible and the organization which will afford many a good time for the firemen of this District was launched into permanency in an appropriate way.

The parade moved promptly at eleven o'clock in the following order: Police detail, carriages containing town council and visiting officials; chiefs and ex-chiefs; Duboise band and fire department; Curwensville band heading the Rescue fire company of that place and the Reynoldsville fire company; Excelsior fire company of Bellwood; Houtzdale band, and fire department; Citizens, and Friendship fire companies of Tyrone; Osceola band; Columbia and Columbia Jr., fire companies of Osceola; Visiting firemen not organized, including delegations from Bellefonte and Millifin; Clearfield fire company; Lock Haven Good Templar band; Good Will, Hope and Hand-in-Hand fire companies of Lock Haven; Hoyt hose company of Blossburg; Philipsburg band; Hope and Reliance fire companies of Philipsburg; Darktown fire brigade of Williamsport.

The parade was the largest of the kind ever seen in Philipsburg and the representatives all made a fine showing. The sports in the afternoon were well contested and drew an enthusiastic crowd.

In the steamer contest the Union company of DuBoise was the only one entered as the Neptune Co., of Tyrone, had been debarred for not parading. The Union was accordingly awarded the prize of thirty-five dollars. The hose contest was won by the Hand-in-Hand company, of Lock Haven. It was awarded the first prize, \$20.

In the hub contest, the DuBoise company received the first prize, \$10. It ran two blocks in 26 seconds. The Clearfield band won the band prize of \$15. Curwensville took the prize for the largest company, Houtzdale for the best uniformed company and Osceola for having the man with the largest nose.

The meeting of delegates effected a permanent organization and decided to hold the next annual convention at DuBoise, on the 18th of June, 1894. All left well pleased with the first meet of the District firemen.

THE MASONS VISITED BY HIGH DIGNITARIES.—Wednesday was a bright one in the history of Bellefonte chapter H. R. A. No. 241, as it was the occasion of the visit of the Grand High Priest Edgar Tennis, and the officers of the grand holy royal arch chapter of Pennsylvania. The visitors arrived on the evening train and were met by a delegation from the home chapter they were escorted to the hotels where they took supper and prepared for the visitation which began at half-past six and lasted until after twelve o'clock. The ceremonies observed were all very pretty and impressive and when once finished the whole assemblage adjourned to the Broomfield House where a banquet awaited them.

Words will scarcely describe the looks of the dining room when the doors were thrown open to receive the Knights; it seemed a veritable fairy land. The soft low lights of the banquet lamps, the delicate harmony of the masonic colors which prevailed in the decorations, the shimmer of the rich cut glass and the dreamy music all made it an ideal scene. Eighty covers had been laid and there was a knight for each one. With deft grace the waiters served the various courses of the following menu.

Oysters,	Blue Points,	Stewed,
Raw,	Turkey,	Cranberry Sauce.
Fricassee of Chicken, au Petit Pouce verd	Potato Salad,	Salad de Volaille.
Pom de terra al' Orleans.	Sugar Cured Ham,	Tongue, Saratoga Chips,
Croquettes of Rice, au vieux Sauce.	Celery,	Grapes, Bananas,
Chocolate Ice Cream, Vanilla Ice Cream,	Assorted Cakes,	Bisque Ice Cream,
Coffee,	Tea,	Chocolate,

Presiding at the spread was G. H. P. Tennis, and the grand officers were all grouped about him, while distinguished visitors from Huntingdon, Williamsport, Lock Haven and Clearfield were seated at different places about the tables.

In the arrangement and serving of the banquet Mr. Neubauer, proprietor of the hotel, surpassed anything of the kind that has been attempted heretofore in this place, and the guests speak in the highest praise of his entertainment.

—Gallagher township, Clinton county, had a snow squall on Monday morning.

—While out chestnutting, a few days ago, a Curwensville jeweler fell from a tree and had both shoulders dislocated.

—Barnum's circus was in Altoona, on Saturday, but didn't show owing to an impossibility to raise the tents on account of the high wind. The circus left the town and went to McKeesport.

REFORMED CHURCH SOCIABLE.—The ladies of the Reformed church of Bellefonte, will hold a sociable at the home of W. H. Darstine, on north Penn street, this Friday evening. All are cordially invited to go and enjoy the hospitality of the ladies of the church. A good programme has been arranged.

—John H. McNally, a resident of Woodward township, Clinton county, was arrested, on Thursday, charged with embezzling the funds of Clinton Lodge, No. 98, I. O. O. F., of Lock Haven. He had been treasurer of the organization for fifteen years and is short \$3,000 in his accounts. The man has born an enviable reputation heretofore.

—On Saturday evening, October 28th, Kellar, the prince of magicians, will come to the opera house for one of his unique performances in legerdemain. He needs no introduction to our readers as he has been here twice lately and his entertainments were of such a high order of merit that the house was crowded both times. There will more than likely be a rush for seats so you had better secure yours early if you intend going. A special train will run over the Bellefonte Central to the College after the performance.

HE MAY COME HERE.—A glib-tongued stranger, with a new swindle, has made his appearance in Clarion county. He asks whether or not the family has lost any children and if the answer be in the affirmative, the age, etc., will be asked. Subsequently he puts in an appearance with a certificate containing the information given and demands \$5 for the same. His idea is to frighten women into paying the amount. Throw a pan of hot ashes in his face or let the bulldog play with him.—Clarion Democrat.

DEATH OF MRS. LEYDEN.—Mrs. Louisa Alexander Leyden, died at her home at Beech Creek, on Wednesday morning, of consumption of the throat, and while her death was not expected so suddenly, she has been in failing health for three years.

Her early girlhood was spent in Millifin Co., where she was born in 1832. A daughter of James and Ann Alexander, she manifested the same characteristics that made her brother, the late Hon. Cyrus T. Alexander the prominent man and lawyer he was. After her marriage to Mr. Daniel Leyden she lived two years in Tennessee, then until '77 in Bellefonte, and since then at Beech Creek.

Her social and intellectual nature naturally fitted her for a leader among women and for years she was one of the most active workers in the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Clinton Co., and the Beech Creek Presbyterian church.

Her husband and four children, James A., of Idaho; Harry and Mrs. Elliot, in Chicago; and Edward, at home have the deepest sympathy of the community for she was an exceptional woman.

Funeral services will be held at her late home. The remains will be brought here for burial this afternoon on the 5:20 train and will be taken direct to the Union cemetery.

—People who went from here to Chicago were somewhat abashed at the general desecration of the Sabbath in the Windy city. Every visitor from these parts, where the Sunday is as sacredly kept as it is possible for it to be, was shocked at some one thing or another that was seen carried on, on the Lord's day just as on any of the other days of the week. In fact one parent from this place wrote her boy not to go to the Fair on Sunday, because it was wicked and imagine her horror when she received word from him that he had taken her advice and did not go with the rest of the fellows, "who intended spending the day in the art gallery, but had grown so lonesome in the afternoon that he went out to the ball grounds to see Monte Ward's team play ball." It was the truth for ball games, theatres, stores, drinking places and all manner of amusements were on out there on Sunday, with larger crowds than any other day of the week. Our good christian readers need not have gone clear to Chicago to have seen part of those things at least, for on Sunday last there was a match game of ball out at Roopsburg in which the Egg Town team wiped up the ex-brewers in a hotly contested game. There was quite a crowd of sports from Bellefonte in attendance too.

JUDGE FURST OVER-RULED IN THE ARMOR WILL CASE.—One of the most complicated cases that has come before the Centre county courts for years has been that in which the testamentary capacity of the late Ruth B. Armor has been questioned by the Armor heirs. The case arose from a claim made by Monroe Armor et al that undue influence was brought to bear on decedent by her executor David M. Butts when the will was made.

It was tried first before the Orphan's court at which Judge Furst ruled that she was of sound mind and hence capable of making a will at the time she did. The case was entered on the docket as follows: D. M. Butts Executor of Ruth B. Armor vs Monroe Armor et al, heirs of Ruth B. Armor. Defendants appealed to the Supreme Court where the decision of Judge Furst was reversed and it was sent back here for trial by jury.

At the last August term it came up and a verdict was rendered for defendants, whereupon Judge Furst set aside the finding of the jury, on a reserved point of law, said reserved point having since been published. When motion for a new trial was made at Argument court it was over-ruled on the reserved point of law that she was testamentary capable at the time she made her will and the case stood in that condition until yesterday's session, when Associate Judges Riley and Faulkner over-ruled the President Judge as follows:

The opinion and decree filed on October 13th, 1893, in this case by Hon. A. O. Furst presiding judge having been prepared and filed by him without consultation with the majority of the court, does not correctly express the opinion of the court. We differ from the conclusions drawn by the president judge from the testimony given on the trial of the case, and are of the opinion that there was ample evidence requiring the court to submit to the jury the question of testamentary capacity of Ruth B. Armor, on February 20th, 1890 and to justify the jury in finding the verdict for the defendants.

We therefore over-ruled the president judge in his order to enter judgment for the plaintiff on the reserved question notwithstanding the verdict for the defendants.

And now October 20th, 1893, we order judgment to be entered on the verdict for the defendants. And we further order the Prothonotary to certify the record, and judgment thereon to the Orphan's Court.

By the court,
THOS. F. RILEY, } Assoc. Judges.
C. A. FAULKNER, }

THEY WIN AND LOSE ON THE FIRST TRIP.—Much interest was manifested in the outcome of the first trip away from home of the Pennsylvania State College football eleven this season. As so much had been said as to the strength of the players and no opportunity given by which a comparison with the strong team of last season could be drawn, the result of last Saturday's game at Charlottesville, Va., and Monday's game at Washington, D. C., was looked upon as the only criterion of the kind of football P. S. C. will put up when she lines up against such rivals as Bucknell, Franklin and Marshall, Dickinson and Lehigh University. The former game with the University of Virginia, was an interesting and well played one, our team having come off victorious with a goal from a touch down while the Southerners were contented with a 0. Inasmuch as Johnny Poe the great Princeton coach had been training them this victory is looked upon as very satisfactory by those who think the college eleven stronger this year than ever.

The game with the Columbia Athletic club, on Monday, was more of a slug-ging match than a foot-ball contest and resulted in a score of 12 to 6 in favor of the Columbias, after the umpire and three Subs. had all been taken into the fight for the home club. They made two touch downs in the last three minutes of play which seems evidence that Capt. Haley did not even attempt to have his men hold up the robbers.

The outcome of the trip proves the surmise of the WATCHMAN, made several weeks since, that Dowler, who is a wonderful guard, falls far short of the requirements of a tackle. He should go back to his old position ere he loses the honor which would keep his name fresh in the annals of P. S. C.'s football career. Wolfe would play better at tackle, a place he always filled heretofore. White and Harris on the ends are setting a fast pace for the rest of the team and more than fulfill expectations. At centre rush Mr. Hoskins has found a place where his enormous muscle can be brought into play with telling effect. He met two giants while on the tripod and the team is Dunsmore another tackle; he is perhaps the best find of the season. Brown is again playing his fine game at full and Atherton is even better than he was last year at quarter. The weak places yet, if there be any, are the halves, but it is not likely that any change will be made as Fay will play with the team and the ends will be worked quite as much as the halves.

—Come and see the largest line of ladies coats and jackets in this part of the State. Just got them in—the latest styles. Lyon & Co.

A VERY OLD DOCUMENT.—In our next issue we will publish a list of the names of the taxables in Bellefonte in the year 1824, when Anthony Kleckner and Jacob Hering were Commissioners of Centre county. We have in our possession the tax duplicate for that year issued to Franklin B. Smith, who was collector then. He was an uncle of E. I. and Jos. Gilliland, who conduct a large general merchandise business at Pottersdale, Pa.

On the duplicate are many names still prominent in town and some that have long since ceased to be heard.

—The best mackintoshes in navy blue for ladies at \$4. The best we have ever seen for the money. Lyon & Co.

GRAND MILLINERY OPENING NEXT TUESDAY.—Already the feminine heart is fluttering in anticipation of the delight which the grand opening of fall and winter millinery at Mrs. Gilmore's, on Tuesday, October 24th, will bring. Such a stock of fine hats, bonnets and trimmings has never before been brought to the town and when Mrs. Gilmore displays her full line of dainty novelties in head-gear the expectations, of those who are looking for something fine, will be realized.

Specialties, at her store in the Broomfield house block, are stamped linen and hair switches of which she carries a complete line. A call will convince you that she has the best.

Don't forget that next Tuesday will be the opening day.

THEY MET A BEAR.—One night last week, says a late issue of the Tyrone Times, Hiram and John Waite, of Waterstreet, Huntingdon county, went to a neighboring mountain for coons.

Neither of the boys are over 16. They carried a double-barreled shotgun and were accompanied by a dog. The dog soon tracked a coon, which led the boys a weary chase almost to the top of the mountain, where it was treed by the dog. Hiram, the elder of the brothers, strapped the gun on his back and started to climb the tree. He had ascended only about ten feet when a large black bear appeared on the scene. Hiram jumped to the ground and with his brother started on a run for their home, about half a mile distant. The bear, which had killed the dog at a blow of its paw, started after the boys down the mountain.

The boys were too frightened to attempt to show their pursuer fight and so they continued to run. The bear gave the boys a close chase until they reached home when they succeeded in getting into the door just as the bruin came up. Mr. Waite aroused by the boys' cries, soon ascertained the trouble and, with a farm hand, he attacked the bear with an axe and killed it. The bear was a full grown female and weighed 170 pounds.

News Fairly Personal.

—Miss Emma Hughes has gone to Hazleton, where she expects to spend the winter.

—Judge Saddle, of Carlisle, was one of the distinguished visitors to our town this week.

—Mr. and Mrs. Cieran Dinges spent Sunday in town at the home of Mrs. D.'s parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Green, on Linn street.

—John W. Cooke, of Philadelphia, was in town on Wednesday. His interests here bring him back to his old home quite frequently.

—K. G. Shutt Esq., the hustling Howard manufacturer of handles and spokes, was in town on Monday making arrangements to give his business an additional boom.

—James W. Alexander, who would likely accept the Deputy Revenue Collectorship of this district if it were offered him, is in Chicago to see the closing ceremonies of the great Fair.

—Among our callers on Monday afternoon were John Q. Miles, the next Treasurer of the county, William Tibbins Esq., of College township and A. Starberg, the redoubtable "Sterner" of this place.

—Harry P. Bush, of this place, departed Friday morning for New York city whence he will go by boat to Brazil and other South American points. Harry still has the gold fever and imagines that he can't live any other than the life of a digger.

—S. Newall, Esq., of Altoona, tarried in town between trains Wednesday afternoon. He was on his way home from State College where he has a nephew at school. Mr. Newall is an old journalist, having started the Selingsgrove Times and later become publisher of the Altoona Sun, afterward merged into the Times.

—The express West, Monday morning carried a large party of World's Fair visitors from this place. Among them were Representative James Schofield, wife and daughter Mary, W. Fred Jackson, Thomas Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. P. Gray Meek, Abe Markle, of State College, and Will Metz, a prosperous young lumberman of Woodward, were with the travelers.

—Four distinguished gentlemen from various parts of the State were pleasant callers at the WATCHMAN office, on Monday morning. They were Maj. McCauley, of Chester, who is one of the inside men in the National Power and Heating Co., an organization which pur-pose furnishing artificial gas for power, heat and light; General D. H. Hastings, whose aspirations for gubernatorial honors will more than likely secure him the Republican endorsement for that office next year; Dr. Geo. W. Atherton, President of the Pennsylvania State College, a man to whom the big institution, twelve miles from here, owes its position of repute and Henry Hall, Esq., of the Pittsburg Staff. The latter gentleman is just now engaged in writing a series of articles on county capitals which are proving of interest to readers of our hustling Pittsburg contemporary.

A BELLEFONTE BOY PROSPERING IN PHILADELPHIA.—From an article in the Commercial Times, of Monday, we learn that Meyer G. Guggenheimer is now proprietor of a large commission house at 716 Arch street. His specialty is furs, and the Times says:

"In his saleroom will be found a large and complete assortment of cloaks and furs, all of the very latest and most fashionable styles, elegantly and suitably trimmed by the most skillful designers, while the finer grades are fully equal in all respects to the same class of goods made to order at any of our leading establishments. We would call attention to his line of fur garments and ladies' neck scarfs and to his furs in general, which are not surpassed by anything of the same character to be found in this city. Mr. Guggenheimer is in position to give to the trade the best advantages as to cost of the goods."

Meyer will be remembered as the oldest son of Isaac Guggenheimer, who was at one time one of the leading merchants of this place. His friends here will be gratified to learn of his success.

—Storm serges in all the new colors. Lyon & Co.

ON THE LECTURE PLATFORM.—Mr. William I. Swoope, of Clearfield, who at one time was a lawyer in this place, has decided to turn his talent as a elocutionist and lecture entertainer to profit. A descriptive circular of his repertoire informs us that he will take the platform with two lectures, "men and women in fiction" and "the passions in Shakespeare," as well as an abundant store of tragic and comic impersonations. Mr. Swoope is a good talker and has had the advantage of a very thorough education and will doubtless succeed in pleasing the most critical audiences. When a resident of Bellefonte his appearance in private theatricals was evidence of his ability as an artist.

—Mens new fall and winter suits double breasted, square cut chevrot and serge chevots, black, navy blue, brown and mixed at all prices. Lyon & Co.

THE EMBEZZLING TYRONE POST OFFICE CLERK SENTENCED.—The October term of the United States district court opened Monday at Pittsburg with Judge Buffington on the bench. The second case tried was that of Samuel N. Williams, former chief clerk in the Tyrone postoffice, for embezzlement. The defendant admitted his guilt, and his attorney, Ex-Governor James A. Beaver, of Bellefonte, made a brilliant and sympathetic appeal to the court for leniency. His appeal which recited all the mitigating circumstances entitling the young man to the most generous treatment consonant with the law, was besides backed up by an immense petition signed by the citizens of Tyrone. General Beaver asked that his client be sent to the Huntingdon reformatory. Judge Buffington sentenced the young man to pay a fine of \$5 and spend one year in the Huntingdon reformatory. The sentence is as light as could possibly be expected.—Herald.

—Montgomery & Co., are offering men's, youth's, boys' and children's clothing and over coats for all at the lowest possible prices. Ready made clothing of the best quality at the lowest prices.

Marriage.

HILL-GATES.—Oct. 14, 1893, at the Evangelical parsonage, by Rev. G. E. Zehner, Mr. James H. Hill and Miss Mary E. Gates, both of Bellefonte.

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.....	55
Red wheat.....	50
Rye, per bushel.....	22 1/2
Corn, shelled, per bushel.....	50
Oats—new, per bushel.....	48
Barley, per bushel.....	48
Ground Plaster, per ton.....	9 50
Buckwheat, per bushel.....	45
Cloverseed, per bushel.....	45 00 to 47 00

Bellefonte Produce Markets.

Corrected weekly by Sechler & Co

Potatoes per bushel.....	60
Eggs, per dozen.....	20
Lard, per pound.....	10
Country shoulders.....	10
Sides.....	12
Hams.....	14
Fallow, per pound.....	4
Butter, per pound.....	25

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Half Column (9 inches).....	20	35	55
One Column (19 inches).....	35	55	100

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