

Democratic Watchman

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THINGS ABOUT TOWN & COUNTY

Lent began on Wednesday. Last Monday was the Chinese New Year. Ten inch ice is being cut at Wolfe's Store. The Grangers are preparing to erect a new hall at Fiedler, this county. The ground hog has been getting in his work on the weather in great style. The Lutheran sociable was held at the parsonage, on east High street, last evening. The rhetorical at the High school, on Monday afternoon, are said to have been more than ordinarily interesting. The Valentine Iron Co's, rolling mills will start up, on Monday morning. So a well grounded rumor hath it. While playing with a chopper machine, on last Friday evening, Harry, a little son of Thomas Smith, of Fiedler, chopped off his fore finger. The American Mechanics treated themselves to an oyster supper last Friday evening. It was served in their lodge rooms in the McClain block. T. C. Hopkins, Ph. D., an instructor in Geology at the Pennsylvania State College, has accepted a chair on the faculty of the new Chicago University. Rev. George Zehner, pastor of the Evangelical church, will build himself a home on Willowbank street. He has purchased the lot just east of the Olewine home. The Brockerhoff estate will rebuild on the site of the old Conrad house just as soon as it can be erected. A three story business block will be erected. Register George W. Rumberger moved to town, on Saturday, and is now at home in the McCampsey house, on east Bishop street. Phillipsburg was sorry to lose him as a resident. Beginning Wednesday, February 14th, Bartholomew's horse show will hold the boards at the opera house. It will give two night performances with a matinee for ladies and children. On the 20th of last December a girl baby was born to Mrs. George M. Page, of Eagleville, which weighed only one and one-half pounds. It is still living and enjoying the best of health. H. B. Pontius, who for years was connected with the Wilson and MacFarlane, the Daniel Irvin and Son hardware firms has resigned his position with the latter store. On last Monday morning a young child of Wm. Stamm, of Woodward, was seriously burned. During its mother's absence from the house an older child set fire to the little one's clothing. It is the present intention of the Brockerhoff estate to build a three story grey sandstone business block on the site of the old Conrad house, on Allegheny street. The stone will be procured at Curwensville. On Sunday the dead body of Silas McFarland, a 68 year old farmer living near Tipton, in Blair county, was found down a rail-road embankment, near his home. He is supposed to have been walking on the track when he was struck and killed by a passing train. State College students, over one hundred in number, chartered a special train over the Bellefonte Central, on Monday night and attended the Fiske jubilee singers' concert in this place. One would have imagined them part of the show to have heard them singing about the streets. A delightful party surprised Matthew Riddle of Pleasant Gap, last Saturday. He had been out chasing his chickens and when he returned he found his house filled with friends. An enjoyable day was spent by all. It was the 40th anniversary of Mrs. Riddle's birth-day and may she live to have many more. A bursted steam pipe filled the interior of the Presbyterian church, in this place with steam, on Monday. It was thought when the dense volumes of steam were first discovered that the freescoring and the pipe organ would be affected by its condensation, but fortunately no damage was done. At a regular meeting of the Board of Trade, on Tuesday night, a letter was received from E. S. Thomas & Co., potters of Petersburg, Pa. who are looking around for a location to build an establishment. The gentlemen have been invited to visit Bellefonte and view her facilities. A move was started to publish a pamphlet, in which all of the advantages of the town will be set forth.

ISAAC YARNELL KILLED ON THE CENTRAL. -The first fatal accident on the new Central Rail-road of Penna., was that in which Mr. Isaac Yarnell, of near Hecla Furnace, lost his life and Judge Cyrus Gordon, of Clearfield came very near losing his also. The accident occurred within a short distance of the Hecla station, on last Friday morning, and the particulars are about as follows: "Mr. Yarnell, who lives about a mile from Hecla flag station, desired to come to Bellefonte on the train passing there at 9.34 a. m., and which arrives in this place at 9.55. Judge Gordon who had been down to his farm and mill, was also coming up that morning. On the road to the station he and Mr. Yarnell met and walked along together. At the station a number of cars were standing on the siding and these had been uncoupled and drawn apart, perhaps ten feet, to allow passengers to cross the track to the small station building which stood on the opposite side of the main line. When Judge Gordon and Mr. Yarnell were yet some distance away they saw the train coming and, knowing that to have it stop they would have to get there in time to flag it, they both started on a run, Gordon in the lead. In some way or other they failed to notice just how near the train was, and once behind the freight cars standing on the siding it was impossible to see the on rushing train, and just as impossible for the trainmen to see them. Judge Gordon leading they plunged through between the freight cars and then seeing his danger Gordon made a mighty leap and just succeeded in clearing the track as the train sped by, brushing his overcoat in passing. Mr. Yarnell, being a step or so behind, was fairly in the middle of the track when he was struck by the engine, which was running at about thirty miles an hour, and hurled a distance of sixty feet before ever he struck the ground, after which he was tumbled a further distance of thirty feet by actual measurement. Strange as it may seem the man, though unconscious, was not dead, although it seemed as if every bone in his body must be broken. His right leg was broken in two places and his head was terribly cut, while his face and body was a mass of bruises. The unfortunate man was picked up and tenderly conveyed to his home where he lingered until 2:30 o'clock, in the afternoon, when he breathed his last, without having at any time regained consciousness. Mr. Yarnell was aged about 57 years. He leaves to mourn his shocking death, a loving wife and seven children, John I., Sallie, Flora, Ambrose, Sadie, Myrtle and Delmont, and in addition a large number of sorrowing friends. The above account was taken from Daily News, of last Friday, and since then some singular facts have come to light concerning it. In the first place a careful examination into the cause of the accident reveals the fact that no blame can attach to the Rail-road officials. For strange as it may seem, no one on the train, neither trainman nor passenger, knew that a man had been killed until they were told of it after the train had arrived here. Even Judge Gordon did not know that his companion had been struck until he was told of it here, and consequently did not realize the danger he had been in himself, until the tale of Mr. Yarnell's sad death was given him. He remembered then that the train had not been able to stop directly at the station so he ran on down the track to get aboard. On entering the rear car he remarked to the conductor "I think there is another passenger coming," but as he did not put in appearance the train went on. If he had not been killed it would have been the unfortunate man's first car ride. His body was found by some men, who had been cutting ice near-by, who were attracted to the spot because they had seen the men attempt to cross the track ahead of the train and not seeing either of them afterwards, thought both had been killed. GEORGE W. F. GRAY DEAD. -The death of Mr. George W. F. Gray, which occurred at his home, near Fillmore, on last Saturday evening, marked the end of the life of one of Buffalo Run valley's most esteemed residents. He had been in failing health for a long time, when paralysis of the throat made a speedy end of his sufferings from other diseases. Deceased was born in the month of April, in 1826, and through life had been a man who merited the confidence he always enjoyed. His bereaved family, consisting of a widow and four children, are sorely afflicted at the loss of a devoted husband and father. His death adds another blow to the grief of that family for only a few weeks before they buried the youngest son, W. Hubert, whom diphtheria had cut down in the promise of a useful life. Interment was made in Gray's burying ground, in Half Moon, on Tuesday morning, after services had been held in the Methodist church at Fillmore. E. R. Chambers Esq., has been continued as deputy-revenue collector of this district, pending the appointment of a successor.

The Milton car works has received an order for 450 cars from the Delaware, Susquehanna and Schuylkill railroad. Samuel Decker, a twenty-two year old man of Snyderstown, died of consumption at his home there, on Sunday morning. His interment was made on Tuesday. Special revival services were conducted in the Presbyterian church, in this place during the week. The meetings were under the charge of Dr. Wallace and Rev. Decker, of Lewis-town, who constitute a committee sent out by the Huntingdon Presbytery to encourage revivalism in the church. Emma Lilly, a Houtzdale young lady, appeared on the stage in that town, recently, with the James Young Co., in "Hamlet". One of the lady members of the show was taken ill at Houtzdale and it is said Miss Lilly went on and took her place as though she had been playing it for years. She went with the company touring until the recovery of the sick actress. Farmer's Institutes will be held at Rebersburg, on the 20th, and 21st, and at Unionville on the 22nd and 23rd of this month. The WATCHMAN will give the program in full prior to the convening of the Institutes. Hon. Jno. A. Woodward, of Howard, will have the general management of them and we hope they may prove successful in every particular. The Pennsylvania railroad company has adopted as its standard a rail weighing 80 pounds to the yard and 60 feet long, instead of 80, which has been laid heretofore, and the ends of the rails instead of being square, face to face, form a mitre joint. It is claimed that in the use of a 60-foot rail the danger in passing over curves will be greatly lessened, while a great saving in wear will result. A merry sledding party left Axe Mann, last Tuesday evening, behind Nelson White's fine team of horses and drove to the home of Mr. Benjamin Gentzel near Zion. There they spent the evening in a very enjoyable way and when the wet sun hours of the night had come they started home. All speak in highest terms of the hospitality of Mr. Gentzel and his estimable family. The Keystone league of Christian Endeavor society, of Howard, will hold an oyster, chicken and waffle supper and ice cream festival, on Feb. 22nd, Washington's birthday, in the Packer and Love building, in the rooms formerly occupied by Sam'l Brickley. There will also be numerous fancy and useful articles sold at reasonable prices. The proceeds to be used for the benefit of the Evangelical church. All are very cordially invited to attend. This evening, February 9th, there will be an exhibition of Edison's wonderful phonograph in the Evangelical church, on Willowbank street, and all who can should go to hear this remarkable production of science. The admission price has been made low enough, 20 and 10 cents, for all to attend and from a scientific standpoint the entertainment will be well worth the money. Besides it will amuse with songs, impersonations and musical selections, exact reproductions of the world's most famous artists. We understand that a great many readers of the WATCHMAN are in doubt as to the truth of our account of the brutally treated Harmon boy who is now in the poor house being nursed. Their doubtfulness, we trust, was not founded on any established reputation the WATCHMAN has for enlarging things, for we have always tried to make reliability one of the principle features of our paper. Regarding the Harmon boy every word the WATCHMAN published can be sworn to and we might have added even more harrowing evidences of the fiendish parents' brutality than we did, but the very fear that it would not be believed kept us from it. Indeed we can hardly censure our readers for entertaining a doubt in the matter, for we are frank to confess that we considered several men falsifiers until we visited the child and saw it. In our last week's issue we gave an account of the robbery of Orrin Miller's smoke house, and of some clothes lines on east High street, on the properties of Thomas Banner and Isaac Miller. Since the night of the robbery several suspects have been watched and a number of their homes searched, but without avail. On Saturday officer Poulk got on to a clew which he worked up and resulted in the arrest of William Hanna, who lives in a shanty back of the nail works. A search of his hut led to the recovery of a part of the meat, which he had buried in an old boiler, and of the clothes which were found in a bag under the floor. Once confronted with such evidences of his guilt he confessed, but flatly refused to divulge the names of his accomplices, saying that he would rather take twenty years in the "Pen." than give them away, since they had families depending on them.

A GOOD LIFE ENDED. -On last Sunday night, Mr. Ephraim Glenn, one of Buffalo Run's most respected and best known men, died at his home near Fillmore. An attack of pneumonia following a severe cold was the cause of his death and while he was sick only five days, his condition was alarming from the start for he had been failing with heart disease for months. He was a man whose quiet life and honest character won for him the commendation of all. Charitable and kind to a fault, he was honest as the day, and while he hated vice with the instinctive hatred of a man whose life was clean because his heart was pure, he was always tolerant of the opinions of others. Born August 14th, 1827, at the old Glenn place in Ferguson township, his entire life has been spent in Centre county. A farmer as his father and grandfather, had been before him, he was always most interested in public affairs and actively worked for the schools and church of his district. For fifty years he was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and no pastor found him other than a willing helper and a steadfast friend. His wife, who was Elizabeth Meek, oldest daughter of R. H. Meek, and sister of the editor of this paper, five sons, Dr. W. S. of State College, Rev. George M. of Hughesville, Dampster, of Braddock, Tom and Reuben at home, his aged mother, ninety-three years old and seven sisters survive him. Wednesday morning, after the services which were attended by a great number of friends, he was taken to Meek's church and laid to rest in the old burial ground by the side of his only daughter who died five years ago. THE LATE HENRY BARNHART. -Henry T. Barnhart whose death occurred at his home near Curtin's works, on Monday evening, at six o'clock, was a man well known and esteemed in the community in which he lived. For years he was captain of the old Eagle Guards, an organization which flourished before the war and with the first call for volunteers he took his command to Harrisburg and there he delivered it to the State service. He had reached the seventieth year of his life, the most of which he spent as an honorable farmer. His demise came after an illness of only four days with diabetes. He was a brother of Mr. P. W. Barnhart and is survived by a widow, whose maiden name was Mary Joslyn, and four sons, by name, John C., William Irvin D. and Alfonso, who is somewhere in the West. His two daughters, one Mrs. Dr. H. K. Hoy, the other the late Mrs. H. H. Harshberger, having preceded him to the grave. Funeral services were held in the Evangelical church at Curtin's on, Wednesday morning, and interment was made in the family lot in the Curtin cemetery. COUNCIL IN SESSION. -A regular meeting of Council, on Monday night, had very little business to transact, except that of a routine nature. In acting on the request of the Board of Trade to exempt the Lamokin car works from taxes for a period of five years, provided it locates here, Council extended the period of exemption to ten years and thus helped along the good work which may possibly secure that industry for our town. An offer presented by the Logan Steam Fire Engine Co., whereby it agreed to take care of the disbanded Coronet Co's. book and ladder truck and keep it in fine service provided Council would pay the Logan's the annual appropriation formerly paid the Coronets. The same to be used in maintaining the engine house. Council accepted the proposition. THE HORSE SHOW. -A large and interested audience witnessed the opening performance of Bartholomew's Equine Paradox at the Academy of Music yesterday afternoon. The entertainment given by Mr. Bartholomew's phenomenally intelligent animals is certainly a wonderful one, and in point of novelty has not been surpassed in this city for many a day. By years of patient and persistent training twenty-four magnificent specimens of blooded stock have been taught a variety of acts and evolutions, the execution of which evinces a sense and reasoning power almost human. N. Y. World Garman's opera house Wednesday and Thursday, February 14th and 15th. A special train will run over the Central Rail-road of Pa., on Wednesday, and over the Bellefonte Central, on Thursday, to bring all persons desiring to see this wonderful equine performance. MARRIAGE LICENSES. -Issued during the past week. -Taken from the docket. Henry Gault and Bessie Ginger, both of Bellefonte. J. H. Yearick and Laura Johnson, both of Marion township. Charles A. Dolan, of Marion township, and Mary C. McDowell, of Bald Eagle township, Clinton county. J. M. Weaver, of Curtin township, and Sadie Wagner, of Liberty township.

There are 448 inmates in the Huntingdon reformatory. The Tyrone Board of Health reports that there are three cases of small-pox and seven of varioloid at the Forges, near that town. John M. Dale, Esq., has purchased the old Ardell property on east Linn street. It had been owned by Adam Meyer, of Phillipsburg. Chaplain McCabe will be in Bellefonte on Sunday, March 4th. He will lecture in the Methodist church on Saturday March 3rd, on the subject, "The Bright Side of Libby." Mrs. Agnes Plummer, of Houtzdale, has brought suit against the Beech Creek railroad company for \$10,000 damages, for injuries sustained by being thrown from her buggy, because her horse frightened at the cars. Cotton seed meal is a most excellent food for milk cows. One pound of Cotton seed meal is worth two pounds of corn chop. Buffalo Gluten feed stands next to Cotton seed meal. One pound of this Gluten meal is worth two pounds of coarse bran for feeding cows - the best is the cheapest. McCALMONT & CO. The death of Mrs. Susan Pletcher, wife of Michael Pletcher, occurred at her home near Howard, yesterday morning at 7 o'clock. Deceased had been almost a lifetime invalid and her demise was a release from a quarter of a century of suffering. She had reached the advanced age of 72 years and leaves an aged husband and five sons to mourn her death. Her remains will be interred in Schenck's cemetery Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. The wife of Mr. James McMullen died at her home, in Milesburg, on Wednesday morning after a prolonged illness. Deceased leaves a husband and one daughter to mourn the loss of the beautiful life that has just been cut off. She was in her 45th year and interment will be made to-day in the Messiah grave yard. The Relief Corps of Geo. L. Potter Post, No. 261 G. A. R. of which she was a member, will conduct the services. CHARITY IN THE COUNTRY DISTRICTS. -Several weeks ago we mentioned the fact that the people of College, Harris and Ferguson townships, in the goodness of their hearts, were about to let their sympathy for the destitute of the Philadelphia working districts take tangible form, and several gentlemen, having constituted themselves a committee for receiving contributions, went to work to gather up a whole car load of farm products to be shipped away to the suffering in the city of Brotherly Love. On last Friday there was packed into a refrigerator car, on the Pennsylvania siding, at Lemont, 300 bushels of potatoes, 40 barrels of flour, a 300lb dressed hog, 200lbs of salted meats, 200 full suits of clothing, 200 heads of cabbage and many other little substantial which are known only in the country and the aggregate of the whole car reached, at least, \$800.00 in value. This was the result of a little more than a week's charitable work in three townships in Centre county. And what a feeling of pride those country folk must have had when they saw all that evidence of their goodness ready for shipment. What made it all the more satisfactory was the knowledge that it had been a wholly voluntary work and that nearly every family visited had responded in a manner commensurate with their means. If there should be similar undertakings in every one of the twenty-five townships in the county what blessed messengers to the suffering and unemployed those cars, laden with substantial provision, would be. The people of College, Ferguson and Harris townships have reason to be proud of this substantial manifestation of their charity, representing, as they do, a class that is the most independent and perhaps sees least of the miserable side of life, as depicted in the cheerless home of the laborer whose very living stops when his work is done. News Purely Personal. E. C. Meyers, of Milesburg, was in Curwensville on Saturday. John Montgomery Ward departed for New York, on Monday morning, after a week spent here on business and pleasure combined. The society event of the week, was Mrs. F. W. Crider's dinner last night, covers were laid for thirty six and the decorations were beautiful. Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Mitchell of Tyrone Sunday in town, the guests of General and Mrs. D. H. Hastings. Mrs. James Lambert and daughter Ruby, of Philadelphia, were recent visitors at the Hastings home. Ed Brown Jr. our bustling Bishop's street furniture dealer, is back from a week's trip to Washington. We don't know whether he succeeded in making Grover believe that he ought to be Bellefonte's next post master or not. On Tuesday evening Messrs. Ex-Recorder Rupp, and John Noll returned from a week's pleasure trip to Washington, D. C. They report fine weather at the capital, which had recently been prepared for their reception. Secretary Morton and his weather bureau did a graceful thing in thus recognizing two such staunch Democrats.

A WELL MERITED REBUKE. -The Fiske Jubilee singers entertained a crowded house at Garman's, on Monday night. The concert was given as a Y. M. C. A. benefit and was a success both from an artistic and financial point of view. Manager Luiden, the remarkable bass of the troupe, gave some of the audience a very appropriate lesson which they would do well to heed in the future. It seems that ever since the opera house has been opened the people who go to see and enjoy the entertainments have been annoyed by the senseless stampede that is made for the doors just before the final curtain fall. These very fellows, who are always so anxious to get out before the show is quite done, are crazy enough to get in so we can't for the life of us comprehend why they continually spoil the end of the play for those who have paid to see it and whose comforts common courtesy demands recognition of. As a last chorus, on Monday night, the singers started that sweet old darkey melody, "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," and before they had fairly begun to sing it a whole mob of men and boys began to get on their coats and scramble through the aisles. Of course they made such a racket that no one could hear the singers and Mr. Luiden, realizing the disadvantage under which his people were laboring, simply waved his hand and the music stopped. He then stepped to the front of the stage and announced that the rendition of the last number would be held until those people who seemed so anxious to get away could do so, and leave the rest of the audience to enjoy the production undisturbed. Had the "sweet chariot" itself actually swung across the stage there could not have been a more reverential silence. And the song was finished and the last strains had entirely died away before the hoodlums fully comprehended the effect this rebuke of a colored man had had on them. In addition to our large line of men's, boys' and children's clothing, we show a line of samples representing several of the leading clothing houses in the East. -A full and complete measure taken. Men's suits \$7.50 to \$15.00, boy's suits \$3.50 to \$10.00 child's suits \$1.50 to \$5.00. All new fresh spring styles. MONTGOMERY & CO. In regard to the law of April 16, 1845, which Auditor General Gregg has recently unaided to make theatrical companies pay a license of \$50 to every county in the State, in which they play, Judge Furst has ruled that the license paid by the play house exempts the company showing therein. Sale Register. MARCH 1. -At the residence of G. H. Musser near Fillmore. Horses, carts, hogs, farm implements of all kinds, and Household Furniture. Sale open at 10 o'clock. MARCH 5. -At the residence of D. W. Garner, on the George Kutscher farm in Ferguson township, three miles west of State College, horses, cows, young cattle, pigs, new Kramer wagon harness and implements. Sale at 1 o'clock p. m. MARCH 8. -At the residence of R. M. Henderson, in Benner Twp., near Hanter's Park, horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, farm implements, of all kinds and household furniture. Sale at 10 o'clock. MARCH 12. -At the residence of Geo. J. Behers, in Patton township, horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, and a general variety of farm implements. Sale at 1 p. m. MARCH 12. -At the residence of Perry Moran, two (2) miles west of Unionville, horses, milk cows, farm implements, wagons, h. ashed goods, etc. Sale at 10 o'clock. MARCH 22. -At the residence of Ephraim Glenn, on Buffalo Run, two miles west of Fillmore, horses, sheep, cows, young cattle, implements and household furniture. Sale at 9 o'clock a. m. MARCH 27th. -At the residence of William Foster, at State College, horses, cows, sheep, hogs, and all kinds of farm implements. Sale at 11 o'clock, a. m. Bellefonte Grain Market. Corrected weekly by Geo. W. JACKSON & Co. The following are the quotations up to 10 o'clock, Thursday evening, when our paper goes to press: White wheat..... 55 Red wheat..... 50 Eye, per bushel..... 50 Corn, ears, per bushel..... 22 1/2 Corn, shelled, per bushel..... 45 Oats - new, per bushel..... 30 Barley, per bushel..... 48 Ground Plaster, per ton..... 9 50 Buckwheat, per bushel..... 35 One Column (12 inches)..... 35 Cloverseed, per bushel..... \$5 00 to \$7 00 Bellefonte Produce Markets. Corrected weekly by Sechler & Co. Potatoes per bushel..... 25 Eggs, per dozen..... 25 Lard, per pound..... 10 Country Shoulders..... 10 Sides..... 12 Hams..... 14 Fallow, per pound..... 4 Butter, per pound..... 25 The Democratic Watchman. 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