

# Democratic Watchman

Bellefonte, Pa., April 6, 1894.

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

## THINGS ABOUT TOWN & COUNTY

—Main's circus is on the road again this season.

—Ed. Barket, of Valley Falls, Kan., is visiting Rebersburg friends.

—The mountains about Woodward are said to be ablaze with forest fires.

—A week from next Monday you can catch trout under the cover of the law.

—This afternoon the Coburn and Rebersburg gun clubs will shoot at Coburn.

—Conrad Lesh, a well known resident of the vicinity of Zion, moved to Clinton on Tuesday.

—The first and last days of March could not have been more alike had they been the same day.

—Dr. H. K. Hoy is starting out this Spring to make his suspension fences more popular than ever.

—It is said that Ira Orl, a Nittany valley farmer, was painfully bitten by a vicious dog one day recently.

—Prothonotary W. F. Smith is now a resident of Bellefonte, having moved up from Millheim last Thursday.

—The Lillian Tucker comedy company will play here Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of next week.

—Twenty-three persons joined the Presbyterian church here last Sunday morning. Fourteen of the number joined by certificate.

—The new building which the Brockhoff's are to build on the site of the old Conrad house will have both passenger and freight elevators.

—A band of Italian musicians made sweet music on our streets on Monday. They played for a little dance in the Arcade in the evening.

—Editor Thos. Harter of the Gazette, has moved his family to this place and is living in the house on east High street recently vacated by J. A. Fiedler.

—C. C. Luse's saw mill, near Rebersburg, burned down on Tuesday morning. A spark from the engine is supposed to have ignited the shaving pile.

—Billy Soper, our crack base ballist of last season's club, left on the early train Tuesday morning for Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he will play ball this season.

—Miss Lizzie Morrison, who has rented her house on Spring street to Mr. Reese the baggage master on the new railroad, will retain two rooms in it for her own occupancy.

—Rev. J. H. McGarr, the new Methodist minister for Bellefonte, occupied the pulpit in his church for the first time on Sunday. Large congregations listened to his sermons.

—If you have changed your address, notify us of it, but don't forget when you send to have your paper changed, to state the post-office at which you are getting it at present.

—While whipping a horse, last Friday, Fred, the 4 year old son of Wm. Parks, of this place, was kicked in the face so badly that it required seven stitches to close the wound.

—Clayton Brown's novelty store is now located in the Bush Arcade building. The room in the Reynolds' building vacated by Brown will be occupied by Frank Naginey, who will open a furniture store there.

—The marriage of Centre Hall's young post master, Mr. Charles H. Meyer, to Agnes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Boal, of near Centre Hall was celebrated last evening. The WATCHMAN congratulates them.

—One of the WATCHMAN's oldest subscribers, Mr. John Meyer, of Penn Hall, was in town yesterday attending to some business. He is a most agreeable gentleman and it is a pleasure to have men of his sort among our friends.

—When you are moving and want to furnish some rooms in your new home remember that Frank Naginey has opened a furniture store in the Reynolds' bank building. His stock is all new and it will be to your advantage to see it.

—The Prothonotary's office in the court house has been nicely repapered and a new linoleum covers the floor. Some of the old unsightly furniture has been removed and a safe is to be put in soon so that brother Smith's sense can be left safely at home when he goes out to big dinners and frolics.

—At the town meeting, held in the court house last Thursday evening to take action toward a proper and profitable observance of Arbor day, fully two hundred people turned out. It was decided that all persons wanting trees to plant on that day should order them through councilmen Garman, Gerberich or Beaver who are members of the village improvement society.

## COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY NIGHT.

—Council met in regular session on Monday evening and transacted the little business it had before it. Under the head of street work that committee reported all the streets cleaned, Lamb and west Curtin streets graded up and a refusal to place a light on St. Paul street. They put several bills for repairing sidewalk in the hands of the solicitor for collection and while under that head heard a remonstrance, presented by Rob't Valentine Esq., against the cutting down of Allegheny street at its intersection with Curtin.

The Water committee reported the removal of several hydrants from the streets, a contract with S. M. Buck for water used outside the borough, a refusal to increase the supply to Beaver street and several minor connections. The Water committee was instructed to have the fountain in the Diamond painted.

The Fire and Police committee reported the auditing of the Burgess' accounts and found them correct, complimenting Mr. Meyer on his efficient service. The village improvement committee of council was instructed to order one hundred Sugar-maple trees for planting on Arbor day and then council confronted an empty treasury problem.

Treasurer Cook reported a balance of \$5,932.19 due him and asked council where to get funds to pay further orders. The treasury being empty, with over \$10,000 to collect on the duplicates for '91, '92 and '93. Collector Ray has been greatly handicapped in his collections by the hard times and it looks as if money will have to be borrowed as the '94 duplicates will not be issued before July. There would be justice in collecting some of the outstanding accounts at once, for there are people in arrears who are not forced by circumstances to be so and their continued abuse of the collector's good nature has bankrupted the borough. There should be a settlement at once. Of course there are some who cannot settle and they should be carried along until they are in a position to liquidate.

The Post-Office at NITTANY ROBBERED.—At an early hour on Wednesday morning burglars forced an entrance into Schaeffer's store at Nittany. The post-office for that point occupies a portion of the store room and the burglars went to work to open the safe. A hole was drilled through the door at the combination and a charge put in. It blew the door off and the robbers helped themselves to the contents which, according to telegraphic report, amounted to nearly \$400. About \$200 in cash and the same amount in postage stamps.

Three suspicious looking characters, who had been loafing about the place all day are supposed to have committed the burglary. They broke into Rodgers blacksmith shop and with tools taken from it forced an entrance into the post-office.

The three men who are thought to have committed the robbery, since they were seen loafing about the premises, answer the following descriptions: One was heavy set, 5ft 7in high, red mustache, light hair, weighs about 170 pounds and was dressed in a dark suit; another was two inches taller, weighed about 150 pounds, wore a black mustache, a black suit and fedora hat. The third suspect is about the same height as the first, weighs between 140 and 150 pounds, wore a brown coat, dark trousers and winter cap. He had a black mustache, was of swarthy complexion and carried a small bundle.

SOME OF THE MOVES THAT HAVE BEEN MADE.—In the last two weeks, Mr. J. A. Fiedler to Williamsport, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Harter into the house on East High street, vacated by Fiedler. Mr. Harry Jenkins from the Bush Arcade to his own house on High street. Harry Schreyer into rooms at Mrs. Eliza Curtin's, Allegheny and Howard Sts. Mrs. Butz and daughter into the Dart house on Allegheny street, out of which the Schreyers moved. Mr. Wm. Lyons into the Reynolds house, corner of Allegheny and Lamb. Mr. and Mrs. Amos Mullen into their own house on Bishop street, occupied so many years by the Lyons. J. A. Gramley into the Parsons house on Bishop street, and Jerome Spiglemyer from the Swartz property on Penn St., to the brick house on Howard St. next to the Methodist church.

THE FURNACE FIRES RELIGHTED.—Shortly past 9 o'clock last Tuesday morning Miss Blanche Hayes applied the torch which relighted the fires in the furnace of the Valentine Iron Co., at this place, and the cracking of that burning wood, as the flames ignited the materials in the furnace, was a joyful sound to the little group of workmen who were standing about. They had been out of employment since the furnace blew out last August and now that there are prospects of plenty of work for more than five hundred men they are accordingly happy.

The furnace, rail road and mines will be run full blast just as long as sale can be made of the celebrated Nittany pig.

—W. R. Wright has been appointed post master at Renovo.

—W. Frank Bair, the hustling solicitor for the Phillipsburg Journal was in town on Tuesday looking up the interests of his paper.

—Dr. and Mrs. T. R. Hayes are home from Asheville, N. C., and their house on North Allegheny street has been opened for the summer.

—The Tyrone Times began its fifteenth year with its last issue. Editor Nisley has made it a good paper and his large business is his reward.

—F. E. Snaveley, living in this county near the Clinton line, shot fifteen foxes during the past winter. Five of them were killed in Clinton county.

—Secretary Edge of the State Board of Agriculture has addressed a circular to the leading fruit growers of the State asking their opinion on the damage done by the recent cold snap.

—It is said that Isaiah Coxe, the venerable stage driver who carries the mail from Oak Hall to Boalsburg, is an uncle of the Silica Coxe who is leading the Commonwealth to Washington.

—F. E. Naginey has concluded to go into the furniture business in this place again and has opened a fine line of goods in the room in the Reynolds bank building opposite the Brockhoff house.

—April 11th, has been set as opening day at Gilmour's millinery in the Brockhoff house block. Don't fail to inspect the fine line of Spring and Summer goods that will be displayed.

—The fore part of next week will be characterized by three evenings of entertainment at the opera house. The Lillian Tucker comedy company will be there in repertoire. Prices 10, 20 and 30 cts.

—That pleasing Irish play, "Kathleen Mavourneen," will be in the repertoire of the Lillian Tucker comedy company, which plays here next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings at 10, 20 and 30 cts. "A Woman's Revenge" will be presented also.

—Lock Haven enthusiasts are going to have a ball club this season. The contract has been let for fencing the grounds and building a grand stand. A bicycle track will be made around the field in order to attract wheelmen. The manager of the club is hunting players now.

—Rev. Maynard, of Lock Haven, will lecture before the P. O. S. of A. of this place next Thursday evening, April 12th. The lecture will be given in the camp's room in the McClain block and other speakers will be in attendance. Everyone is cordially invited. No admission will be charged.

—While working in the cellar of the old Conrad house, last Friday morning, part of the foundation wall fell in, burying Bernard Gallagher, a workman, under a pile of rock and mortar. He was taken out in an unconscious condition, but recovered in a short time, when it was found that while severely bruised and cut up, he had suffered no serious injuries.

—The newly elected vestrymen of St. John's Episcopal church of this place are senior warden, F. M. Montgomery; junior warden, W. Fred Reynolds; Secretary, W. W. Montgomery. And as the board of vestrymen the following additional: Dr. George F. Harris, Daniel Garman, W. S. Zellers, Edwin F. Garman, Dr. J. L. Seibert and Joseph L. Montgomery.

—The aurora borealis was very beautiful as viewed from our streets last Friday evening. It is rarely the display gets as brilliant as it was about eight o'clock, when the heavens seemed ablaze with alternating streamers of gold and red lights. The whole canopy of heaven was illumined, the lights were visible not alone in the north, but seemed to shoot up to the zenith, then radiate on all sides.

—On Monday evening Isaac Haupt, of Thomas street, dropped a letter containing \$15 in front of Straub's shoe maker shop, after he had gone away a little girl picked up the letter and handed it to a tramp, who makes lamp chimney cleaners, he opened it and finding the money immediately suspended operations here and moved his plant away. The supposed fellow was arrested, with another tramp, in Lock Haven on Wednesday and brought to jail here yesterday morning.

—At a mass meeting, held on the meadows below Phillipsburg, last Sunday afternoon the miners of that region decided to stay at work and not go out on a strike until after the meeting of the National association at which they have hopes that the wage question will be settled. The meeting was attended by fully a thousand workmen and their interest in the question, as it was presented to them by various speakers, showed very plainly that they are cognizant of the seriousness of a situation that now records miners the lowest rate ever known in that region for work.

## THE MINING SITUATION.—

There is great agitation in this district among the miners and mine workmen. The miners are willing to work at the reduction but the drivers are not, and in consequence there is bad feeling. A meeting of the miners and drivers was called and held on Sunday afternoon in the meadows at Point Lookout at which it was decided to accept the reduction and work, pending a general strike, which is looked for about May 1. The drivers opposed working at the reduction in their wages and claimed that they did not have a show in the meeting and held a meeting by themselves on Sunday evening. They could not arrive at a conclusion and held another meeting on Monday night at which it was decided to suspend work until tomorrow (Thursday). In consequence a number of the mines could not work on Tuesday for lack of drivers. The decision of the drivers did not affect the mines where the driving is done by contract. Those mines are working as usual where there is work. Wiggins' Troy mines are shut down until May 1. The shaft is working night and day and any of the Troy miners who want to can get work there, so at least we were told at Wiggins' office.—Phillipsburg Ledger.

BELLEFONTE'S NEW POST-MASTER.—A few minutes past three o'clock, on Wednesday afternoon, D. F. Fortney Esq. of this place received the following telegram:

WASHINGTON, April 4.  
To D. F. FORTNEY.—Your name sent to S. Senate this afternoon. Accept congratulations. J. L. SPANGLER.

This settles the long drawn out scramble to fill post-master Fiedler's official shoes and Messrs. McQuiston, Noll, Brown, Dobbins, Owen, Heule and Reber, all of whom would have taken the office, can now settle down to business again where they left off to push their particular claims.

The appointment of Mr. Fortney was made upon the endorsement of Congressman Kribbs, by whom he was warmly supported. He also had the endorsement of the county organization to which, it is a question, if he had any more claim than any other Democrat who might have sought it and we fear this thoughtlessness on the part of some will cause very serious trouble in the party ranks.

There can be no doubt of Mr. Fortney's fitness to fill the office to the satisfaction of the public and the honor of the party that has entrusted it to him, and the WATCHMAN congratulates him in having secured it.

IT SNOWED FIFTY INCHES LAST WINTER.—The many people who think that we had an extraordinarily mild winter are doubtless correct in their conclusion, but withal there was considerable snow too. It came in such light falls that it was hardly noticeable, but Mr. E. J. Wasson who lives on Buffalo Run, near Briarly, kept an accurate measurement of every snow fall, and has found that they aggregate fifty inches as follows:

November 14th.....	1 in.
21st.....	3 "
December 24th.....	4 "
14th.....	3 "
28th.....	1/2 "
30th.....	2 "
January 11th.....	1 "
24th.....	1/2 "
30th.....	7 "
February 1st.....	2 "
4th.....	5 "
12th.....	10 "
24th.....	3 "
26th.....	5 "
March 15th.....	1 "
.....	70 "

—Charters have been granted at Harrisburg to two companies which propose electric lines in the Clearfield region. The one is called the Houtzdale and suburban and the other is the Phillipsburg and suburban. Both lines are incorporated with \$100,000 capital and are controlled by Hazleton, Philadelphia and New York capitalists. The Phillipsburg company will run from Phillipsburg to the village of Morrisdale Mines, then to Allport, Kylesport, Winburne, Munson station, Hawk Run, North Phillipsburg and Osceola Mills. At Osceola Mills it will connect with the Houtzdale company, which will run its line through the principal streets of the borough, thence to the villages of Annesville, Madera, Glen Hope, Irona, Coalport, Jamesville, and Houtzdale. It is hardly probable that the roads will ever be built.

—Mrs. John McDermott, who has been an invalid for years, died at her home on east Bishop street, last Sunday morning of pneumonia and was buried Tuesday morning from the Catholic church. She was a sister of Mr. Charles McCafferty, an excellent woman, a devout member of the church. Her husband, the well known contractor and stone mason, died one year ago in March. Ten children, Charles in Va.; Mrs. Lena Burns, of Snow Shoe; Mrs. John Swaney, of Winburne; Mrs. Andrew Harris, of Lock Haven; Josephine, Julia, Sue, Marjoria, James and John of Bellefonte, with six brothers and one sister, Mrs. Annie Powers survive her.

—Dr. B. S. Hall, of Flemington, took a 45ft tape worm from the 10 year old daughter of Alex Campbell, on Sunday afternoon.

—W. Fisk Conrad, Tyrone's new post-master, took charge on Monday.

—The new State hatchery for trout fry will be located on Cold Stream near Phillipsburg, so says the News.

—Forest fires in Clinton county destroyed \$25,000 worth of lumber and logs for Cochran, Payne & Co.

—Wednesday, April 11th, will be opening day at Mrs. Gilmour's millinery in the Brockhoff house block.

—The Lillian Tucker comedy company will play at Garman's on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of next week. Prices 10, 20 and 30 cts.

—Teacher J. H. Olinger concluded his year's work at Pleasant Hill school house, in Spring township, on last Thursday. The year was a successful one.

—A Hungarian who tried to board the Lemont train last Monday evening, while it was in motion, turned a half dozen somersaults before he lighted. He didn't catch the train.

—The "Old Fort" hotel, near Centre Hall, has passed from the management of Mr. J. H. Odenkirk to Mr. Edward Rhule, of Spring Mills, the latter being a son of that well known hotel man, Mr. David Rhule.

—Ely E. Hyatt, of Salona, died on Monday morning, after a lingering illness with heart disease. He was 60 years old and a well known resident of the lower end of Nittany valley. Col. Hyatt, of Lewisburg, U. S. Consul at Santiago, is a brother.

—Rev. Geo. Warren and his estimable wife who have served the Methodist people of Milesburg so faithfully celebrated the golden anniversary of their wedding last Monday. A congregational meeting was held in the church in honor of the event.

—Under a new ruling of the National League the umpire must hereafter stand directly back of the batsman, during the progress of a game of ball. He will not be allowed to stand in the rear of the pitcher's box to judge balls and strikes, but must keep the one position behind the plate, at all times.

—During the three months ending March 31st the receipts of the Bellefonte post office amounted to \$2,601, which is above the average and more than is necessary to insure the continuance of free delivery. Bellefonte in one of the few offices that has held up under the depression.

—We regret to learn that ex-sheriff Thos. J. Dunkle, has moved to Pottsville, where he will engage in the insurance business. He has been a resident of this place for years and is so well and favorably known that his friends will be sorry to know that he will be among us no longer. We wish him success in his new home, feeling assured that if real merit reaps its true reward he will have it.

—Mexican papers devote a large space to interviews with Pres. Atherton, of the Pennsylvania State College, who is now traveling in that country. His discussions with Hon. Joaquin Baranda, Secretary of Justice and Public Instruction, upon the relative condition of education in the two republics seem to have attracted a wide-spread interest. Dr. Atherton will also study the educational systems of the western part of the United States before returning home.

—Unless the unforeseen happens Mr. Frank E. Naginey will re-open a complete furniture establishment in this place to-morrow. After an absence of a year he has returned to Centre county trade again and his many friends will find him in the room formerly occupied by Brown's novelty store in the Reynolds' bank building, on Allegheny street. His stock is entirely new and is the product of the largest and most reliable houses in the country. Mr. Naginey kept a fine line of goods before, but the stock that will fill his rooms on his reopening here will be a revelation in furniture. Call and see it.

—The concert given by the Pennsylvania State College glee and banjo clubs, at Garman's, on Wednesday evening, was heard by a small though appreciative audience, every number but one having been encored. The work of the banjo club was somewhat better than that of the glee, but taking all in all the concert was very entertaining and a decided surprise to most of the audience. The singing of the "Water Mill" was perhaps the most artistic bit of work done by the glee club, while Messrs. Gray, Atherton, McAfee and Banks lent much talent to the excellence of the instrumental numbers. This was the last night of the clubs' Spring tour and many of the boys were laboring under the disadvantage of colds but their work was very satisfactory indeed and merited a much larger house. Ed. Harris, of this place, is a member of the banjo club.

—Miss Lizzie Rees, teacher of the Shady Dell school, Port Matilda, finished the winter term of that school on Thursday, March 29th, to the satisfaction of all concerned. Although young, and this being only her second term, she has proven herself a success as a teacher. A visit to her school convinces you she is endowed with a natural gift in reading the nature of her pupils at first sight, and with her gentle manner she has no difficulty in gaining their confidence after which she puts every effort to advance them as rapidly as possible, which fact they prove by their obedience and rapid advancement in learning. We bespeak a bright future for the young teacher.

—Two deaths occurred at Red Bank, on Sunday last, both of which were sad because of the decedents' youth. Red Bank is a small iron mining village on the extension of the Bellefonte Central railroad and the death of two of its younger residents on the same day has cast a gloom over the place. Bridget, the 23 year old daughter of Mr. James Malone, died of consumption and the 8 year old son of Hugh McConnell died of some youthful malady. Both were brought here for interment on Tuesday afternoon, services having been held in the Catholic church.

—The Supreme court at Philadelphia on Monday reversed the decree of Judge Krebs, of Clearfield county, rendered while he was on the bench, which allowed the Janesville branch of the Altoona and Phillipsburg connecting railroad to cross at grade, the Mapleton, Big Run, Coal Run, Gess Run and Annesville branches of the Tyrone and Clearfield railroads.

—On and after April 1 the "h" in Pittsburg will be dropped by the post-office authorities. Word to this effect has been received by the postmaster there. Heretofore all "burgs" with the exception of Harrisburg were spelled with the final "h" but under the new ruling all burghs will be spelled without the "h." Some newspapers will stick to the extra letter.

—The Phillipsburg Ledger was eleven years old with its last issue and editor Williams, when rounding up the first decade of his paper, could look back with satisfaction at the work he has done and the improvement he has made in the Ledger. It is a clean, new semi-weekly journal.

—The woman with ultra-exclusive taste is always on the lookout for something unique in millinery, either for herself or her child, and at Mrs. Gilmour's she is certain to find the very latest conceits in garden hats, chic sailors, tailor-made effects to go with smart traveling costumes and picturesquely becoming bonnets.

—The Coleville band will have a dance in the band room near Collin's furnace this Friday evening. No admission will be charged and the public is cordially invited. A good orchestra will furnish music for the dance and proper order will be maintained.

—Phillipsburg wants a patent folding bed factory located in that town. The promoters of the enterprise think there will be enough patronage from sleepy old Clearfield to make the thing pay.

Two to One.—You are complaining about hard times. We all had to suffer—but, brace up, Spring is here—and we have the right goods at hard time prices to make you more than happy.

## 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.....	67
Red wheat.....	57
Rye, 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 Flaxseed, per ton.....	9 50
Black-wheat per bushel.....	10
Cloverseed, per bushel.....	26 00 to 27 00

### Bellefonte Produce Markets.

Corrected weekly by Sechler & Co.

Potatoes per bushel.....	40
Eggs, per dozen.....	12 1/2
Lard, per pound.....	10
Country Sides.....	8 to 10
Sides.....	8 to 10
Hams.....	14
Fallow, per pound.....	4
Butter, per pound.....	25

### The Democratic Watchman.

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One Column (12 inches).....	35	55	100

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