

# Democratic Watchman

Bellefonte, Pa., April 13, 1894.

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

## THINGS ABOUT TOWN & COUNTY

—To-day is Arbor day.  
—Two snows within three days is a pretty wintery record for April.  
—Architect Robert Cole was in Lock Haven on business on Monday.  
—The schools in the rural districts have nearly all closed for the summer.  
—Phillipsburg papers complain because nothing but cows occupy their public park.

—Fank Westcott and wife, of Kane, spent Sunday with relatives and friends in this place.  
—Miss Millie Smith, of east Bishop street, spent Sunday with her sister Myrtle in Tyrone.  
—Mr. and Mrs. John M. Bullock, with their infant daughter Julia, were in Tyrone on Tuesday.

—C. M. Bower Esq., and H. E. Jenkins were Bellefonters who had business in Lock Haven on Saturday.  
—Union township farmers who have sowed their oats are afraid the work will have to be done over again.  
—Ellis Bierly, of Milesburg, spent Monday in Tyrone and while there purchased a crescent bicycle for himself.

—Mr. D. A. Dietrich and family have moved from Hecla to Hublersburg, where Mr. D. will engage in business.  
—The kind of April showers we have had thus far will have a very little tendency toward bringing May flowers.  
—It looks prosperous to see the southern skies all illuminated at night by the fires of the Valentine Iron Co.'s furnace.

—William Shortlidge, a prominent business man of Bellefonte, was in the city for a brief spell Tuesday.—Lock Haven Democrat.  
—Frank Lukenbach and John Fryberger, of Phillipsburg, both of whom were formerly Bellefonte boys, were in town to spend Sunday.

—Miss Mame Cedars returned from school at West Chester, on Monday evening. She had not been well and came home for needed rest.  
—Miss Hannah Hamilton, of this place, departed last Monday afternoon, for Tyrone, where she will finish learning the millinery trade with Miss Ellen Black.

—Owing to the serious illness of Mrs. McGarrab, Rev. McGarrab has been unable to move his family to this place. He did not fill his pulpit here last Sunday.  
—Mr. A. S. Boalich, who is one of the trusted clerks in Liveright's Osceola Mills store, was in town, on Saturday, and dropped in to see us. He is an uncle of Mrs. John Rote, of Axe Mann.

—On Sunday, April 8th, Squire A. W. Reese, of Port Matilda, pronounced the ceremony that made Amos A. Garland, of Sandy Ridge, the husband of Mattie McMonigal, of Port Matilda, Pa.  
—The train from Montandon did not get in until noon on Wednesday. It took two engines to pull the two coaches through the snow, which was said to be twenty-five inches deep along the lower end of the line.

—There seems to be a misunderstanding throughout the county as to the time of holding the regular sessions of the April court. Court will convene on Monday morning, April 23rd, and continue in session for two weeks.  
—Because the Supreme court reversed Judge Krebs' decree to let the Altoona and Phillipsburg connecting railroad cross the T. C. at grade crossings, the former road is now receiving bids to build overhead crossings at each intersection of the lines.

—The excitement in the Harmon child case has greatly subsided since the January session of court when it was to have been tried and it will not arouse near the interest, when it comes up two weeks hence, that it would have at the last term. The child has recovered and will appear against his parents.  
—Register Rumberger is entertaining two of his sons at present. The oldest one is here for a few days preparatory to beginning his work as agent of the C. R. R. of Pa., at Salona. He was formerly employed at Bellefonte. The youngest son, who is employed in the P. R. R. station at Phillipsburg, is home recovering from a week's illness with quinsy.

—Tuesday morning workmen unearthed a human skull, while excavating in the cellar of the old Conrad house, on Allegheny street. The under jaw was missing, but long silky hair was attached to the cranium. Col. Dunham ham gave the skull decent burial, so it is said. It is supposed (?) to have been the skull of the man who hid the pot of gold that Mitch Cunningham unearthed near the same spot several weeks ago.

THE HEAVIEST SNOW IN YEARS.—AT THIS SEASON.—A snow fall in April is not at all an unusual thing, in fact many of our older people will not believe that Spring has surely come until they see a few flakes—"just to take all the cold out of the April winds." But a snow like we have just experienced is a decidedly rare occurrence, and the rarer the better too.  
On last Saturday a few inches of snow fell and those who profess to bank on their opinions in such matters thought that ended the snow business for this season, but notwithstanding the wind coming out bright and warm, the wind continued raw and on Monday evening it clouded up again. It tried to rain, but it was too cold. So on Tuesday morning snow began falling. All day Tuesday and until Wednesday evening there was a steady fall and when it stopped twenty-two inches had fallen. Had there not been any melting, the depth would possibly have reached three feet.

The snow seems to have been general, east of the Alleghenies, all along the Atlantic sea-board there was a terrific storm, many lives were lost at sea, railroad traffic entirely suspended and telegraph wires broken in every direction. Through New York state from two to three feet fell and in the northeastern parts of the State a high wind drifted it to great depths. Many roofs gave way under the wet blanket of snow and considerable loss will be entailed throughout this county. The old paint shop at the car works was one of the buildings wrecked in this place.  
The storm revived memories of snow falls in former years and some of our older residents remember the great snow of April 17th, 1854, when twenty-seven inches fell. C. M. Bower Esq., in talking of that day, recalled the way his father's farm barn was filled with birds that had sought shelter therein. He remembers having fed them screenings and we would not like to tell you just how many Mr. Bower thought there were there, for fear you would not believe it. The birds about here have been greatly affected by the storm and in many instances have sought food and shelter in houses.

A memorandum shows that twelve inches of snow fell on April 18th, 1887.  
BUDDINGER'S STORE AT SNOW SHOE SCORCHED.—At about half past 8 o'clock, on Monday evening, fire was discovered in a ware room attached to T. B. Buddinger's store in Snow Shoe. The flames had gained such headway before their discovery that the portion of the building in which they originated was beyond saving. From there they spread to an adjoining ware room, which communicated with the general store building. The lack of any organized means to fight the fire made the outlook very gloomy, but the heroic efforts of the citizens, who turned out at once, saved the main building from destruction. They tore down one of the small buildings and then the flames died out from want of more to consume.  
Mr. Buddinger, the owner, was in New York at the time and Mr. O. J. Harm, the manager, feels deeply indebted to the people of Snow Shoe, who so kindly lent their assistance to the saving of his employer's property. As it was the loss will aggregate \$2,500, but had the flames once found their way into the main building nothing would have saved the immense stock, which is valued at nearly \$25,000. The loss is covered by insurance.

The Snow Shoe bucket brigade which is under the leadership of John G. Uzzle turned out in full force and did effective work. Mr. Uzzle seems always to be at the head of every good move in that place and his little fire company is thoroughly appreciated.  
SOME PECULIARITIES OF THE CALENDAR.—An exchange has compiled the following peculiarities which are to be found in the calendar:  
"The calendar offers certain curiosities which are little known. The following are a few of them: No century can commence on a Wednesday, Friday or Saturday. The month of October always commences on the same day of the week as the month of January; February, March and November commence on the same day of the week, whereas May, June and August commence on different days. These rules do not apply to leap years. The ordinary year is always finished on the same day of the week when it commenced. The years repeat themselves—that is to say, they have the same calendar every 28 years."

Mrs. JOSEPH'S DEATH.—On Saturday evening, about six o'clock, Mrs. Barbetta Joseph, mother of the well known merchants of this place, died after an illness of a little more than a week. She had been stricken with paralysis and at her advanced age recovery was impossible. Deceased was 82 years of age and came to this country from Germany, about fifteen years ago. Since then she had lived with her children in the home adjoining their place of business on Allegheny street. Funeral services were held on Monday afternoon, Rev. G. Levy, of Williamsport, officiated. Four children survive her. They are Josephine, Mrs. H. Holtz, Emil and Sigismund.

—Coxey's army numbered 407 when it left Homestead last Friday.

—There were 510 inmates in the Huntingdon Reformatory on Saturday morning.

—The venerable Henry Brown, of Hublersburg, is in the city, undergoing treatment for poor health.

—Mr. and Mrs. John Ardell, of this place, spent Sunday with the family of James H. Musser in Phillipsburg.

—The Huntingdon Journal plant is offered for sale. Failing health will force brother Nash out of the business.

—All the assessments, except eighteen, on the shareholders of the Lock Haven electric rail road, were paid up by noon last Saturday.

—A forty-foot high wind pump now draws water from the new seventy-foot well and supplies the Mountain Seminary at Birmingham.

—Mr. Thomas Bechtol, of the vicinity of Nittany, broke off Nittany Valley ties last week and moved over in to the Bald Eagle, near Howard.

—Phillipsburg council on Tuesday night granted a right of way to the Phillipsburg and Suburban electric railway to use the streets of that borough.

—In Pennsylvania there are 790,451 men subject to military duty. In the National Guard there 8,612 disciplined soldiers. Of this number 7,656 are marksmen.

—The Clearfield Novelty works has just started on a contract for eleven thousand children's play wagons and two hundred dozen little wheel barrows for a Baltimore firm.

—John Nibill, Grant Holden and Tom Reese were recently arrested in DuBoise for dynamiting for fish. Defendants plead guilty and were fined \$100 and costs, the whole amounting to \$140.

—Sixty-one year old Martin Williams, of Salona, was stricken with paralysis on Monday morning at 7 o'clock, and died shortly after. He is survived by five grown children, all of whom are married.

—The miners in the Phillipsburg, Beech Creek and Houtzdale regions are all at work again. The refusal of the DuBoise and Reynoldsville men to strike forced all the others to return to work at the reduction.

—You are cordially invited to be present at Miss Graham's, Allegheny and Bishop streets, on Wednesday the 18th. Color runs riot this year if financial skies do lower and the prettiest, daintiest and most gorgeous display will meet you there on that occasion.

—Mrs. Maggie Ward, wife of D. E. Ward, of Penna. Furnace, died at the home of her brother, W. H. Mosell, in Tyrone, at 5 o'clock Monday evening. She had gone to Tyrone for treatment for tuberculosis. The burial took place at her late home, on Wednesday.

—On Sunday afternoon Mrs. Nora Knapp, of Salona, was seized with a sinking spell and before a physician could be called she had died. Heart disease is given as the cause. She was in her twentieth year and was the bride of four weeks of William Knapp, who is almost distracted at her sad death.

—A new sign on the post office door, that leads from the general waiting room into the private apartments of the employees, has changed the old "No admittance, except on official business," to plain, matter of fact, always intelligible, "Please Stay Out." This latter sign appeared on the door, on Tuesday, and it had hardly been up an hour until some fellow wrote under it: "T. D. F. Fortney, Esq." He is the newly appointed post-master and has not taken charge yet.

—If the general strike that has been ordered by the United Mine Workers Association meeting in Columbia goes into effect on the 21st, as ordered, our furnace here will probably have to bank its fires within a month after the inception of the strike. The furnace company carries a month's supply of coke ahead, so in the meantime the trouble may be adjusted and the fires kept burning. If not, it is probable that all similar industries will have to suspend for want of coke.

—After an absence from Bellefonte of a year and five months John J. Bayard, returned Monday morning to make a day's visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Col. George Bayard, who live on North Spring street. When John started away he was representing the Whiteford Chemical Co., of Baltimore, and traveled through the South and West. This business did not suit him, however, so he came back as far as Canton, Ohio, where he has been ever since employed by the C. C. & S. R. R. On Saturday he resigned his position with that company and is now taking a few days rest preparatory to going into the general manager's office of the Wrought Iron Bridge Co. We are pleased to learn of his success.

LECTURE AT STATE COLLEGE.—Tomorrow, Saturday, evening, Gen. Benjamin F. Fisher, of Philadelphia, will lecture in the chapel of The Pennsylvania State College on the subject: "Reminiscences of War Life in, and Escape from Libby Prison." The lecture will be given for the benefit of the football association of the institution and deserves a large patronage. Gen. Fisher is well known in this county, as he is a member of one of its oldest families the sons of which have all gained considerable prominence in their various professions.  
It is the aim of the students to make football next season more popular than ever and to accomplish such an end there must be sufficient funds in hand when the Fall term opens to warrant the proper training of the team.  
The lecture will be interesting because it will be delivered by a man whom we all know of. Prices of admission will be 50 and 35 cents. The lecture will begin at 8 o'clock.  
A special train will leave this place over the Bellefonte Central R. R., at 7 o'clock, stopping at all points along the line. A reception will be given at the University Inn, after the lecture, and a dance will follow.

A STRONG TEMPERANCE OBJECT LESSON.—Squire Patton has a bottle of beer in his office which was taken from the pocket of an Italian who was killed on the rail-road, at this place, several months ago. He has offered the bottle of beer to a score or more of persons without money or any other consideration, than simply to take it away, but not one has accepted the offer, and the Squire is likely to keep the bottle for an indefinite period. The bottle is sealed and the beer is just as good as any other beer that is sold in the saloon, but the thought that it was taken from a dead man's body is repugnant to the taste, and nobody wants it. The other day the squire offered it to a person known to be inordinately fond of beer. He took the bottle in his hand, and was about to put it in his pocket, when the squire related the circumstances under which he obtained the beer, but before he finished the story the man handed the bottle back and with a look of disgust remarked that he didn't want it. That bottle of beer should be presented to some temperance society to be used as an object lesson to demonstrate the fact that while liquor does kill people, nobody wants to drink liquor found on a dead man's body.—Huntingdon News.

WILL HAYNES WEARS THE DIAMOND.—The sportsman at Snow Shoe had a great time on Monday afternoon shooting at glass balls. John G. Uzzle arranged a shooting match and put up, as a trophy, his \$250 diamond pin, which has dazzled nearly every one who has ever met the unique hotel keeper. Of course when there was such a valuable stake the marksmen were all on their mettle and a large crowd of spectators assembled to see the shoot.  
The balls were thrown from an ordinary spring trap and the contestants stood off a distance of thirty yards. The best out of twenty-five was the pre-arranged work so the sport began and resulted in the following scores:  
John G. Uzzle . . . . . 16 out of 25  
Dr. J. Burd . . . . . 21 . . . . . 25  
Geo. B. Uzzle . . . . . 22 . . . . . 25  
W. R. Haynes . . . . . 23 . . . . . 26  
Geo. Uzzle came very near winning his father's handsome pin, but Will Haynes went him just one better and now sports the big star shaped cluster of diamonds which is brilliant enough to do duty as a headlight on a locomotive.

HOW PROSPECTIVE PENSIONERS MUST PROCEED.—Bellefonte pension agents have received a circular containing the following directions as to signatures and witnesses: "The pension certificate must be exhibited at the execution of each and every voucher. When a pensioner signs a mark, two witnesses who can write are required in the body of the voucher, and one witness who can write in each of the duplicates. When the pensioner writes his name, no witness to his signature is necessary in the body of the voucher; but his signature in each of the duplicate receipts must be witnessed by a person who can write his own name. The magistrate before whom a voucher is presented is not a competent witness in any case, except that such magistrate may witness in the duplicate receipts the signature of a pensioner who writes his own name. The post office address of the pensioner must be plainly written in the body of the voucher."

DISTRICT Y. M. C. A. CONVENTION.—Altoona District, Young Mens Christian Association, will hold their annual conference at Huntingdon, Pa., April 28th and 29th. Each association in the district is invited to send delegates to this conference. A cordial invitation is also extended to persons living at points where there are no associations, and who are interested in association work, to attend this conference. Entertainment will be provided for all who attend. The Altoona district includes the following counties: Centre, Huntingdon, Fulton, Bedford, Blair and Clearfield.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—Issued during the past week—Taken from the docket.  
—Amos A. Gaylord, of Sandy Ridge, and Mattie McMonigal, of Taylor Twp.  
—William Baird, of Spring township, and Katie Smith, of Howard.  
—William C. Walters and Emma Strong, both of Spring Mills.  
—Henry D. Woodel, of Taylor township, and Sallie Hamer, of Worth township.

—Muncy has a case of small pox.

—The epidemic of scarlet fever is dying out at Beech Creek.

—This weather is all right for its kind, but the trouble is, it is a little out of season.

—The gates of the Newton Hamilton camp meeting grounds will be closed on Sundays during the next camp.

—The Newton Hamilton camp meeting grounds will be opened to tent holders on July 1st, though the meetings will not begin until August 1st.

—On Monday a train began running regularly over the new Altoona and Phillipsburg railroad, between the latter place and Mapleton crossing. It makes eight trips a day.

—It is said that Malena revived a Petersburg, Va., woman who had been stunned by lightning the other day. We have heard of its curing sores and pains, but this is certainly a new line of business for the Warriorsmark ointment.

—Seventy year old John Snyder was burned to death at Clearfield the other evening. While asleep on a lounge a lamp fell on him and his wife was so badly burned, in her frantic efforts to save her husband, that she will die.

—We are sorry to learn that Col. D. S. Keller is not so well as usual. He having been confined to his bed for two weeks past, by a relapse of his malady. He is at Aiken, South Carolina, and his many friends here hope to hear soon of his recovery.

ARBOR DAY POSTPONED.—The observance of Arbor day, which the citizens and public school children of our town had planned for to-day, has been postponed until Friday, April 27th. It is hardly necessary to state the reason, since the snow of Friday; so in order that everyone will in some way or other, observe the day it has been deemed advisable to defer a general observance of it, in this community, until the stated date, when it is to be hoped the elements will be more favorable.

REDUCTION OF FARE.—The Philadelphia & Reading R. R. Co., has reduced the mileage ticket from Philadelphia to Bellefonte from 257 miles to 235 miles. Philadelphia & Reading mileage books will be accepted for through passage between these points in either direction. Beech Creek mileage tickets will also be honored by conductors for through passage from all points on the Central R. R. of Pa., to Philadelphia on the same basis. Beech Creek books, as heretofore, are good locally between all points on the Central road.

ATTORNEY WM. BRYSON DEAD.—The news that Wm. Bryson Esq., had died at his home in Phillipsburg yesterday afternoon was received with regret in this place. He had been suffering for weeks with an ailment like grip, in its effects. At times he would be apparently very well, then a relapse would render his survival almost hopeless. Until yesterday noon he seemed to be getting better, but a sinking spell ended in his death soon after.  
Deceased was a practicing attorney, a man of considerable mental ability, and leaves a widow and one daughter. Mrs. Bryson, nee Miss Lucy Schroeder, is a sister of Mrs. D. S. Keller, of this place.

THE EAGLE ANNIVERSARY.—Bellefonte castle, No. 357, Knights of the Golden Eagle, celebrated the fourth anniversary of its inception, on Tuesday evening, by appropriate services. The Sir Herald, of the Supreme Castle of the Order, was here and addressed the assemblage. Under his direction the home castle conferred Knight's degree on several applicants.  
The speech of the Sir Herald was largely statistical, but interesting to the many who listened to it. In the four years of the existence of the home castle it has steadily grown until now it has one hundred and fifty members and a neat little balance to its credit of \$1,000, in addition to \$500 invested in paraphernalia. During the four years, the order has increased its membership in Pennsylvania over ten thousand members, and in the United States it has increased over twenty thousand. The number of Castles in the State has increased from 357 to 490. The membership in Centre county amounts to nearly, if not altogether, one thousand members.

THE DEMOCRATIC WATCHMAN.—Published every Friday morning in Bellefonte, Pa., at 25 cents per annum (if paid strictly in advance); \$2.50 when not paid in advance, and \$3.00 if not paid before the expiration of the year; and no paper will be discontinued until all arrearages are paid, except at the option of the publisher.  
Papers will not be sent out of Centre county unless paid for in advance.  
A liberal discount is made to persons advertising by the quarter, half year, or year, as follows:

SPACE OCCUPIED.	3m	6m	1y
One inch (12 lines this type).....	\$ 8	\$ 15	\$ 30
Two inches.....	7	10	18
Three inches.....	10	15	20
Quarter Column (4 1/2 inches).....	12	20	30
Half Column (9 inches).....	20	35	55
One Column (18 inches).....	35	55	100

Advertisements in special column, 25 per cent additional.  
Transient ads, per line, 3 insertions..... 20 cts.  
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.  
All letters should be addressed to  
P. GRAY MEEK, Proprietor

THE LATEST SWINDLE.—Cambria county exchanges send out the following warning of a good swindle that has been working that community for some time.  
A man well dressed with a business like air, called upon persons in the rural districts and represented himself as a government detective, with the statement that there was much counterfeit coin in circulation and requested them to show what coin they had in their possession. He would then use a chemical, which would turn the coins black, declare it spurious and take it away, informing them that another secret service officer would follow him in a day or two and redeem the coin taken away. The victims said nothing about it for some time out of fear of being arrested for having counterfeit coin in their possession, and by this time the swindler is far away.

THE SPRING ASSEMBLY.—The Senior class of The Pennsylvania State College will give its Spring Assembly on Friday evening, April 20th. The dance will be, as usual, in the Armory and Stopper & Fiske's orchestra from Williamsport will furnish the music. The patronesses will be Mrs. D. H. Hastings, Mrs. C. W. Roberts, Mrs. Geo. W. Atherton, Mrs. F. W. Kincaid, Mrs. Fred F. Emery, Mrs. John Wilson, Mrs. J. C. M. Hamilton, Mrs. Geo. L. Potter, Mrs. J. Price Jackson, Mrs. Geo. C. Butz, Mrs. A. Mason, Mrs. E. R. Chambers, Mrs. J. O. Dreisbach, Mrs. W. P. Duncan and Mrs. C. P. Hewes. The class committee is composed of Messrs. Roger Bowman, John B. Hench, W. H. Robbun, Boyd A. Musser, W. A. Banks, W. B. Waite.

WHEN HE SEES HER, OH MY.—Says a Harrisburg special of April 4: A long journey to meet her intended husband, whom she never saw, was begun to-day by Miss Alice Yingt, of Sand Beach, this county. She is one of the largest women in this part of the State, weighing 338 pounds. She is 26 years old and several months ago answered a matrimonial advertisement signed by Harry Cratzer, of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. The two courted by mail, he proposed and she accepted. He sent her \$100 to pay the expenses of her trip West, as he could not come East for his intended bride. She is now on the way to the far northwest to meet her lover.

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.

Legislature.  
To the Democratic Voters of Centre county:—As the time is drawing near to select men to represent Centre county in the Law making body of our great state we think the Democratic party of Centre county would profit by selecting men who are qualified to represent the various interests of our county and who would command the entire support of our party.  
While canvassing the merits of many of our prominent men of Penna's Valley we find none more deserving for work rendered and none better qualified and available than Jas. A. Keller, of Porter township, in Mr. Keller the Democratic party would have a man well qualified to represent the various interests of Centre county in our State Legislature, and a man who would command the entire support of the Democratic Party, and a large following from the Republican ranks.  
Give us Jas. A. Keller for the Legislature and we will be satisfied. What say you brother Democrats?  
A GREGG TOWNSHIP DEMOCRAT.

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..... 57  
Red wheat..... 57  
Rye, per bushel..... 29  
Corn, ears, per bushel..... 22 1/2  
Corn, shelled, per bushel..... 40  
Oats—new, per bushel..... 30  
Barley, per bushel..... 48  
Ground plaster, per ton..... 9 50  
Buckwheat per bushel..... 30  
Cloverseed, per bushel..... \$6 00 to \$7 00

Bellefonte Produce Markets.  
Corrected weekly by Sechler & Co.  
Potatoes per bushel..... 40  
Eggs, per dozen..... 12  
Lard, per pound..... 10  
Country shoulders..... 8 to 10  
Sides..... 8 to 10  
Hams..... 14  
Tallow, per pound..... 4  
Butter, per pound..... 25