

Democratic Watchman

Bellefonte, Pa., April 20, 1894.

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

THINGS ABOUT TOWN & COUNTY

—South Phillipsburg wants a post-office.

—Yesterday's rain was an ideal April shower.

—Read the new testimonials which Dr. Moritz Salm, the specialist, publishes in his advertisement to-day.

—There is no need of any one being out of employment now. The creeks are ground for much labor.

—In his 71st year John Guisewhite, a well known Haines township resident, died near Aaronsburg on Thursday last.

—Carter's "Fast Mail," at Garma's, on Monday evening, April 23rd. A thrilling play with marvelous scenic effects.

—Attorney John Kline is the happiest man in town just now. On last Thursday his wife presented him with an heir.

—Aged Lewis Muselman died suddenly at his home in Centre Hall, on Saturday night. He had reached his 78th year.

—Mrs. Thomas R. Hayes, who recently returned from her winter home in California, is seriously ill with malarial fever.

—Mr. and Mrs. Jack McLellan, after a short visit to Mrs. M's relatives in this place, left for their home, in Blairsville, Tuesday morning.

—Mrs. Clevean Dinges, of Williamsport, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Green in this place. Mr. Dinges spent Sunday here also.

—Rt. Rev. N. S. Rollison, of Allentown, bishop of this diocese, officiated at the confirmatory services in the Episcopal church on Monday evening.

—No more of the big Columbian two-cent stamps can be had at the Bellefonte post-office. The last consignment of fifty-thousand was exhausted last week.

—The Bellefonte band was out playing on the streets Tuesday evening. It is arranging to give a concert in the opera house on the evening of Decoration day.

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—Governor Curtin is able to be out again after quite a serious confinement with a lame shoulder. He fell on the ice near his home some time ago and was so badly injured that when a passer by helped him to his feet he remarked, "Look over there I think some one must have fallen and hurt himself." When, in truth, some one had fallen, but it was the venerable Governor himself.

—The Coleville band will have another of its delightful dances in the band hall, at Collins' furnace, this evening. Good music and the best of order are guaranteed to all who attend. The band boys take this means of combining business with pleasure and while affording amusement for lovers of the dance are realizing a snug sum toward defraying current expenses. All are invited to the dance this evening.

FROM LONDON TO MEXICO ON FOOT.

—The Brockerhoff house, entertained a traveller, on Monday night, who is perhaps the first of his kind to pass through Bellefonte.

About 6:30 in the evening a rather chunky, sandy haired, sunburnt pedestrian strode into the hotel office, carrying a small telescope and black overcoat. He presented a letter to proprietor Neubauer, who was in the office at the time and the genial host's "why of course," answer to the quiet question of the traveler aroused our curiosity. He had been asked if he would entertain the traveler for the night, free of charge, and after the affirmative answer the stranger registered. His name was Vyvyan Gray. After he had removed the travel stains on his clothing and cleaned himself up a little we interviewed him and learned the following:

Vyvyan Gray is an English newspaper writer, who has seen fourteen years work as a war correspondent in the Sudan and is now carrying out a wager that he can travel from London, England, to Monterey, in Mexico, depending entirely on the charity of the people whom he meets for his subsistence. The wager came about as follows: One evening while chatting with members of the London press association a wager was made that Gray should cross the Atlantic and make his way the best he can, trusting to the hospitality of Americans for boarding and traveling expenses, to Monterey, Mexico, where he is to meet a brother of the president of the press association and then start on his return trip home. On the homeward trip he must raise \$5,000 by delivering lectures in various towns and must be back in England by St. Patrick's day, 1895. If Gray fulfills his part of the agreement he is to receive \$5,000 from the president of the London press association and \$5,000 from the *Daily Telegraph* of that city.

Gray accepted the wager and on February 6, 1894, started from Derby, England, and walked 162 miles to Liverpool. In that city he signed as stoker of the steamship Cephalonia and landed in Boston, March 9. On March 17, he started on his long tramp through the United States. He went to Albany New York, called on Governor Flower which executive treated him very cordially, thence to Elmira, thence to Canton, Bradford county. From that place he walked to Williamsport, a distance of 40 miles, in one day, winning a pair of shoes by the performance. From Williamsport he walked to Lock Haven, thence to this place, and left here Tuesday morning for Tyrone. He is walking west to Pittsburg where he expects to work his passage on a river boat down to New Orleans. Thence he will go around the Gulf of Mexico to San Antonio, Texas, thence to Corpus Cristi and then 40 miles over-land to Monterey. He registers at every post-office or railway station in his route.

During Monday evening we had a long talk with him and found him to be well educated and conversant on American questions as well as those of most all lands. He was hopeful of winning his wager, but deplored the accident by which Irish and Scotch companions had been laid up in Elmira. The one with a bursted varicous vein, the other with a knee badly lacerated, by a bottle thrown from a passing train. While here he met Burgess Gray, who signed his book of registration and the County seal was also stamped on one page by Commissioner's clerk, R. F. Hunter.

Gray said he rarely got tired during the day, but often felt very bad when rising time came in the morning. As that seems to be a common masculine affliction we told him he need fear no bad results.

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—If in need of wall papers or window shades call on E. W. Mauck, Millheim, Pa.

—The remains of the late Wm. Bryson Esq., of Phillipsburg, were taken to Reading for burial, on Saturday morning.

—Miss Annie Wagner, of Martha Furnace, was married to Wm. Smith, of Spring Mills, on Wednesday. The ceremony was performed at the bride's home by Rev. G. P. Sarvis.

—On last Thursday evening E. W. Crawford and Miss Maggie J. Spangler, both of Centre Hall, were married. The ceremony was performed at the home of J. A. Martz, in Altoona.

—George S. Lenhart, one of the representative young Republicans of Lycoming county and editor of the *Sunday Breakfast Table*, of Williamsport, was in town on business on Saturday.

—The farm on which Leonard Rhone resides, in Penns Valley, will have been in the possession of the Rhone family a hundred years this summer. The event will be celebrated by a family reunion.

—The Rev. Maynard, a Disciple minister from Lock Haven, lectured to the P. O. S. of A. in this place last Thursday evening. The hall was full, John G. Love, Clement Dale and Gen. Hastings were other speakers.

—Friday was the day set for the examination of candidates for professional and permanent certificates as teachers in the schools of Centre county. There were ten candidates for permanent certificates and twenty-five for professional.

—Miss Alice M. Heaton and Miss M. V. Thomas, two of Centre county's successful teachers, having closed their schools, started for Atlantic City on Saturday, the 14th, to visit Miss Thomas' brother and sister who are the proprietors of the Hotel Edison.

—Miss Sue Danley, who has just completed a successful term as teacher of the Hublersburg school, was in town yesterday on her way home to Pine Grove Mills. Though she had very pleasant work she is nevertheless glad that her vacation has come. She is one of the county's most earnest teachers.

—Lincoln J. Carter's great scenic production "The Fast Mail" comes to the opera house next Monday evening with all its realism in stage effects. The freight train, steam boats and fast mail train all are wonderful bits of stage mechanism and are worth seeing. The company that plays out the well sustained plot of the play is a thoroughly capable one. The last appearance here elicited much comment.

—R. J. Henderson, of Renovo, a nephew of Mrs. Reuben Valentine of this place spent Sunday with his aunt out at "Burnham." Dick, as he was known to Bellefonters before he left here in 1878, has a good position in the P. R. R. shops at Renovo and since leaving here has been married. His wife is a daughter of our esteemed friend John U. Shaffer, owner of the Renovo Record.

—General Benjamin F. Fisher, of Valley Forge, lectured in the chapel of the Pennsylvania State College, last Saturday night. His theme, "Reminiscences of life in, and escape from Libby Prison," was an old one, but told in the manner that characterized the General's lecture, it took on many new phases and was very entertaining. He was one of the original nineteen officers, who planned and executed the work of digging the famous tunnel through the walls and thence out under the prison yard to the street.

—Rev. Crosthwaite, of Williamsport, filled Dr. McGarragh's pulpit in the Methodist church here on Sunday morning and evening and gave two talks that could not have been more appropriate had he been studying the characteristics of his auditors for years. He gave all the fellows who leave the church the moment everything doesn't run according to their particular dictata a decided combing and perhaps the venerable preacher's pointed talk on the aims and requirements of christianity will have a much needed effect in the church here.

—On Monday afternoon A. J. Greist, of Unionville, was walking down High street, in this place, when in front of the Arcade he stepped on the iron grating that covers the coal hole, in front of the post-office, and before he could realize his legs went down into the hole, throwing him violently on the pavement. Mr. Greist is a very heavy man and the fall might have proven very serious. As it was he crawled out gracefully, swore a little about his skinned shins, and limped over to the Bush House. If the Commissioner hadn't have been so fat he might have gone clear down, but the hole was not quite large enough to take him in. The grating doesn't fit any more, so we are led to believe that he stretched the hole pretty badly.

MONDAY EVENING'S COUNCIL MEETING.

—Only five councilmen were in their places when the meeting was called to order last Monday evening, but there were enough of them to transact the business that came up.

Under the head of complaints Jas. Harris appeared and asked council to stop residents of the west side of Spring street from dumping ashes down over the steep embankment onto Water street properties. The school board sent in a communication protesting that the high constable is not enforcing the cow ordinance. Mr. Shortlidge, representing McCalmont & Co., asked to know on what grounds a bill, for \$50 back water rent against his firm, had been put into the hands of a collector. All the complaints were referred to the proper committees. The Street committee reported progress with its Spring work. The Water committee reported the painting of the fountain in the Diamond. The angel having been made a pure white and her pedestal a lemon yellow, giving a colonial effect. We will look in the *Gazette's* "That column" to see whether Francis says the same thing about the angel's seat as he did when the hitching posts in front of Harris' hardware store were painted such a well known shade of yellow.

Permission was granted the Hale estate to temporarily raise the breast of the Spring Creek dam so as to throw more water into their mill race. The rules and regulations to govern the movements of the Board of Health were adopted and \$100 voted for its first year's expenses. Council then instructed the solicitor to inform the burgess and Mr. Berger's bondsmen that if he did not do his duty as high constable they would be held responsible in suits for damage.

This ended the miscellaneous business and after acting on the routine work council adjourned.

—The death of Mrs. Mollie Miller occurred at her home at Valentine's iron works on Sunday. Deceased was the wife of Lewis Miller and leaves a husband and two small children to mourn her demise. The burial was made in the new cemetery at the furnace.

—The annual convention and parade of the Central Pennsylvania association of the P. O. S. of A. will be held at Emporium July 4th, instead of Phillipsburg, the place originally selected. Phillipsburg gave notice that it would be unable to handle the affair this year.

—The Altoona and Phillipsburg railroad company built a temporary crossing over the Tyrone and Clearfield branch of the P. R. R. at Mapleton early Sunday morning. An engine and two passenger coaches were run across while the Penny watchmen slept, and now the new road is carrying passengers between Phillipsburg and Ocoeca Mills, a transfer being made at Mapleton.

—While watching the smouldering ruins of the Loose' saw mill, in Miles township, Brady Houtz was seized with an epileptic fit and fell into the fire. He was employed, with two other men, to keep the flames from spreading to the adjoining mountains. His face was badly burned and his right had so charred that when the fingers straightened out they cracked and broke at the joints. He is not expected to recover.

—The Altoona state league base ball club has been touring in the South for some time and is in fine form. Its appearance at State College to-morrow afternoon when the Collegians will be the opponents, is looked forward to with interest. The State College team has been defeated twice this week, once by the University of Penna. at Philadelphia, and by Dickinson college, at Carlisle, so it may be expected to play a strong game to retrieve its fallen laurels.

—The wife of conductor Cusic, of the Beech Creek railroad, residing in Williamsport, recently gave birth to four children at one time two are boys and two are girls. It won't take the Cusic family long to grow at such a rate. Since writing this we have learned that the story of this quadruple birth is a lie and that the Williamsport *Gazette* and *Bulletin* has had the fellow, who made it up, arrested under the new act that makes the telling of untruths to newspapers criminal offenses.

—R. M. Campbell, of Port Royal, filled Dr. Laurie's pulpit on Sunday. The Dr's cold still incapacitates him.

—The Williamsport *Republican*, after an existence of five years, has suspended publication. It was a good evening daily, but didn't pay.

—The Sheridan troop of Tyrone ranks second in the National Guard of the State. Its percentage of 89.05 is only .15 behind that of the Governor's troop.

—Lock Haven base ball enthusiasts will call a meeting of managers of clubs in nearby towns to organize a league for this season. Lock Haven, Renovo and Williamsport will have clubs.

—Mary Wychoff Packer, relict of Ex-Gov. Wm. F. Packer, died in Williamsport last Saturday. Deceased was 82 years old. Mrs. John A. Woodward, of Howard, is a daughter of the deceased.

—A complication of troubles ended the life of Mrs. Agnes G. McCoy, of Pottery Mills, on last Friday. She was the wife of John McCoy and was about 65 years of age. She was interred at Centre Hill.

—Morris Ginskey, a Jew peddler, was struck and killed by a Pennsylvania train, between Tyrone and Birmingham, on Tuesday night. He had eleven watches and \$92.57 in cash on his mangled body when it was picked up.

—After a lingering illness with a sore limb Jeremiah Blair, of Unionville, died on Tuesday. Deceased was 67 years old and was a veteran of the late war. An esteemed resident of that community he will be sincerely mourned.

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AN IDEA OF HOW HEAVY THE SNOW WAS.

—Now that the big snow of last week has all disappeared we wonder that reports of more damage from it are not heard. In any other year the melting of such a great quantity of snow would have been sure to cause a flood, but the remarkably dry winter we had left the ground almost parched so that as fast as the snow melted it was drunk down by the thirsty ground. In fact so much of it disappeared in this way that notwithstanding the fact that it all melted in three days there was scarcely any rise of water at this place. Under ordinary circumstances such a bed of snow going off in so short a time would have caused a pretty big flood.

Perhaps the most singular feature of the snow was that it wrecked so few buildings. We were expecting to hear of the collapse of a great many structures under its great weight, but with the exception of several weak sheds there was little damage done in this section. An idea of how heavy the snow was can be had when we inform you that the amount that fell on the scales at Nittany, a station on the C. R. R. of Pa., weighed just 1640 lbs. and the scales are only 8 x 12 ft. in dimensions.

—The Proposed Armory for Co. B. A movement has been agitated for some time that has had for its object, the securing of a permanent and properly appointed barracks for our crack Co. B, 5th Reg. N. G. P. Some time ago there was talk of buying the lot at the corner of High and Railroad streets, now occupied by Maitland's boiler works, and building thereon a fine brick armory that should do duty as a concert hall, bowling alley and shooting gallery as well as be a proper home for the soldiers. The deal fell through, however, owing to a failure to arrange satisfactory terms with Mr. Chas. McCafferty, owner of the property. The question of the erection of an armory then lapsed into quietude for a while, but recently it has been revived and is now a sure go.

The company has made arrangements for the purchase of a lot, 145 x 90 feet, on the northwest corner of Spring and Lamb streets and the armory will be built on that site. The structure will be either of brick or stone, with trussed roof. Thorough in its equipment and an ornament to the town. Work will be begun as soon as the design is decided upon.

—Bierly's "Jubilee Choir," two volumes combined in one, has been issued. This is a book of 400 pages of easy and medium grade sacred music for church choirs, consisting of choruses, quartets, trios, duets and solos. The price of the book, single copy, is \$1; per dozen, \$9. Alfred Bierly, 113 Adams street, Chicago, is the publisher. Bierly's musical publications are very popular in this county and choirs or individuals will find his "Jubilee Choir" fully up to his usual excellent standard.

—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.

—Go to E. W. Mauck, Millheim, Pa., for wall papers and window shades. An extra assortment always on hand.

—The largest stock of wall papers and window shades ever brought to Penna Valley, at greatly reduced prices, at E. W. Mauck's Millheim, Pa.

Bellefonte Grain Market.

Corrected weekly by Geo. W. Jackson & Co.
The following are the quotations so far as received, Thursday evening, when our paper goes to press:

White wheat.....	57
Red wheat.....	57
Rye, per bushel.....	50
Corn, ears, per bushel.....	22 1/2
Corn, shelled, per bushel.....	25
Oats—new, per bushel.....	30
Barley, per bushel.....	48
Ground plaster, per ton.....	8 10
Buckwheat, per bushel.....	65
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.....	\$ 10
Sides.....	\$ 10
Hams.....	14
Fallow, per pound.....	4
Butter, per pound.....	25

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Published every Friday morning, in Bellefonte, Pa., at \$2 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 is 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).....	\$ 5	\$ 8	\$ 11
Two inches.....	7	10	15
Three inches.....	10	15	20
Quarter Column (3 1/2 inches).....	12	20	30
Half Column (6 inches).....	20	35	50
One Column (12 inches).....	35	55	80

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