

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

THINGS ABOUT TOWN & COUNTY

—Dog days end August 11th. —Welsh brothers' circus will be in Bellefonte, August 9 and 10. —100° in the shade was how hot it was at Millheim on Saturday. —The band tournament will be held at Hecla park on August 30th. —Jerry Bland is one of the latest names on the prisoner's register at the jail. —The Centre Hall Lutherans will extend a call to Rev. Yearick, of Rebersburg. —The Milesburg Presbyterian Sunday school picnicked at Clintondale yesterday. —Word comes from Aaronsburg that the recent rains have greatly benefited the corn and potatoes. —Don't forget the date of the Logan's big picnic at Hecla. It will be held on the 9th of this month. —M. Cunningham has been putting the walks about the court house and jail in first class condition. —Fifty-three tickets were sold from Bellefonte for the Pennsy's \$5.75 excursion to Atlantic City on Wednesday. —Rev. Ralph Illingworth, the gifted young divine, will preach in the Methodist church here Sunday morning. —A dog killed twenty-three young chickens in a coop at Joel Johnson's home, on Bishop street, Tuesday morning. —Rev. J. A. Woodcock has accepted a district agency for the Northwestern Mutual Life Ins. Co., of Milwaukee. —The children of Logan grange gave a pleasant entertainment in the grange hall, near Pleasant Gap, on Saturday. —The Lutherans of Bellefonte held their annual picnic at Hecla on Wednesday and, of course, were caught in the big storm. —Friday, August 10th, is the date on which the P. O. S. of A. intends holding a picnic at Witmer's park, Centre Hall. —The Valentine Iron Co's furnace here will be put in blast just as soon as sufficient coke can be procured to charge the furnace. —Mrs. Lucy Twitmyer suffered a paralytic stroke at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Samuel Decker, at Zion, and is lying in a critical condition. —The Milesburg and Bellefonte academy base ball clubs played a game of ball in the former place on Saturday, the academy boys winning by the score of 8 to 9. —The Pruner building now occupied by Dr. Charles Rhone and his mother, and Parrish's drug store is to be remodeled. Plans are being prepared now by architect Cole. —Dr. A. W. Hafer's peach trees are laden again this year with a crop of the most luscious fruit. The doctor seems to have some secret by which he makes his trees bear every year. —Co. B, 5th Reg. N. G. P. will go up to Hunter's park to-day for the purpose of getting some much needed drill. Free transportation will be furnished the company and every member is expected to go. —J. Kyle McFarlane, of this place, is contemplating a change in his mode of life. He has conceived the idea that he would make a good farmer and will probably move to the country in the Fall. —Col. Daniel S. Keller, who has been so seriously ill for months with consumption of the throat, is in such a critical condition that his friends say his death is only a question of a few days. —Bellefonte boasts a new coal merchant in the person of Wm. Buck Jr., who has leased the coal yards formerly operated by E. C. Cooke. Will is but a boy in years, but he intends making some of the older dealers hustle. —Peter Smith the upholsterer, whose workshop is on south Ridge street, is doing a good business, now that the people have found out the excellent character of the work he turns out. His specialty is furniture repairing and there is nothing in that line that he can't do with entire satisfaction. —A party of Bellefonte politicians composed of Treasurer John Q. Miles, probatory W. F. Smith, recorder's clerk W. J. Dukeman, O. Atwood, J. W. Rightmire and Harry Jackson, went down to the Bald Eagle to fish on Friday night. Hayes Lyman, the Boggs township leader, helped them and they returned next morning with sixty fish, so they said.

WAS IT TRANSMIGRATION?—"The divine Bernhart" has long been a believer in the doctrine of the ancient Pythagoras and it is said she thinks herself just as much the real Egyptian queen, when acting Cleopatra, as if she were relegated to the days B. C. when the fair daughter of Ptolemy seduced the rulers of the known world. Transmigration is what we know as the passing of the soul from one body to another and while such a possibility is not accepted by educated people, yet every day we are confronted with some incident that incites wonder as to what causes and through what agency the mind of one person may work on that of another, however distant they may be from each other. When we read stories of how one mind has received impressions from another at a great distance and without any known medium of communication we generally look upon them as the work of the writer's imagination and still the same thing is happening in our midst nearly every day. Two cases of this sort, that occurred last week, are recalled.

There was a young girl from the western part of the State visiting at the home of one of Bellefonte's prominent bankers. As summer visitors usually do here she had been having a delightful time up until Friday when her hostess planned a little excursion to State College. The day was bright and cheerful, but her institution never appeared to better advantage, its vast extent of well kept campus affording a pleasing sight to the party of young people yet withal, the young woman, for whose special enjoyment it had been arranged, seemed sad and unconscious of the beauty of her surroundings. Again and again did her companions try to arouse her, but her mind seemed entirely absorbed with some far off subject. To their inquiries as to whether she was ill—she replied that she was not, and then explained that her lack of enthusiasm was due to her depressed feelings. Something seemed to tell her that she was needed at home, where she had left her aged grandmother—her only living relative. She had been absent from home often before, but the same strange sensation had never affected her. As the day wore on the feeling that something was wrong oppressed her so much that several times tears were noticed trickling down her cheeks. Shortly after the departure of the party for the College a telegram was delivered at the home, where the young lady was visiting, and was opened. Its message was brief but important for it read: "Come home immediately." The hostess, knowing that her guest could not possibly get home sooner than the following morning, did not care to mar the supposed pleasure of the day's outing for her and simply retained the message until the evening when they returned. But when the evening train from the College brought them back here the visitor had become so deeply impressed with the idea that she was needed at home that she had made up her mind to return at once. She informed her friends of her determination and consequently they did not give her the telegram which would only have added to the sorrow she suffered that night. The next morning she departed, not knowing anything whatever of the message that had come calling her to the bedside of her dying grandmother.

What agent, by what process was that young woman made to feel that she was needed at home? * * * * *

A short time ago a pretty young girl, who lived at her home near Lemont, was stricken with a fatal malady. She realized that she could not live long and it was her desire that she could see all of her brothers and sisters before death should take her from them forever. It was easy to gratify her wish so far as all of the loved ones were concerned, except a brother who had been in Pueblo, Col., for a number of years. He was sent for but could not be found, and the poor girl prayed that life might be given her to live until she could see him for a last time. Messages were sent everywhere in the hope of intercepting him, but they brought no response.

Her disease was rapidly consuming her life and the other children of the family had been called home to be with their sister when the last sad hour should come. A carriage had been sent to this place one morning to take one of the sisters, who lives here, home and was just about ready to return when who should appear, but the long prayed for brother. He had just arrived on a train from the west, having been unable to work at his business of rail-roading, on account of the strike, he thought he had better come home and see his family.

What innate influence turned that young man's foot steps homeward in time to answer the prayer of his dying sister? Can you tell, dear reader? With such things happening at your very door it is little to be wondered at that you should believe that the mind of one can exert an influence over that of another even though a continent may separate them.

—The Mill Hall axe factory has resumed full handed.

—County commissioners of this State will convene at Pottsville soon.

—The Lock Haven base ball club has disbanded. Reed, last year's Bellefonte captain, has gone to Lynchburg, Va. to play.

—E. M. Huyett, of Centre Hall, is building a saw mill on an 800 acre tract of timber land he purchased recently on the Seven mountains, south of Potters Mills.

—George Schroyer, died near Milesburg, on Saturday morning, of consumption. Deceased was a single man about forty years of age and was buried Sunday afternoon.

—The new Silsby steamer which the Reliance fire company of Phillipsburg recently purchased has been named "S. S. Crissman" to honor the man who has been chief of the organization for many years.

—The Coleville band has built a new dance pavilion and will hold a dance and festival every Saturday evening commencing August 4th. Dancing commences at 7:30 P. M. The grounds will be illuminated by Japanese lanterns and good music will be furnished by the orchestra.

—E. M. Spear, of Hoxie, Kansas, a son of our townsman, Wm. T. Spear, has recently been elected assistant cashier of the Sheridan county bank of that town. He was at one time manager of the Western Union telegraph office at this place and his many friends here will be pleased to learn of his advancement in his new home.

—Mr. and Mrs. John M. Smith, of Milesburg, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding on Wednesday evening, July 25th. A big party assembled at the home of the aged couple and all had an enjoyable time. Mr. Smith is 72 years old, while his wife is three years younger. The Milesburg band was present to help along with the entertainment.

—Thirteen Altoona wheelmen and eleven members of the Tyrone cycle club rode to this place on Saturday evening, arriving here, about 7:30. They were met below Milesburg by a number of the Bellefonte cyclists and escorted to the Brockerhoff house where they spent the night, returning Sunday afternoon. While here they were entertained at the Bellefonte wheelmen's club rooms.

—Owing to the inability to get stone in acceptable shape the new armory, that is being built on the corner of Lamb and Spring Streets, will be finished with pressed brick. The blue limestone would certainly have made a more imposing looking structure of it, but the kind that was being furnished could not be used, except after considerable working, and in order to keep down the cost the builders were compelled to resort to brick.

—The Central R. R. of Pa. gave a complimentary excursion, on Wednesday, to the ministers, secret society officers and press representatives of Williamsport, Jersey Shore, Lock Haven and intermediate points. They were taken over the line and after stopping to inspect the new parks at Clintondale and Hecla journeyed on to this place, where the company entertained them at a dinner at the Bush house. There were sixty-three of the excursionists and every one of them was delighted with the trip and the picnic grounds along the new road.

—An effort has been made to have the Lock Haven base ball team locate here for the rest of the season. The Clinton county capital seems to be too small to maintain a good ball club and the players who have made an excellent record down here are desirous of locating here. They have offered to come for a low rate and the Bellefonte Central R. R. Co., would reduce the fare from Bellefonte to the park so that thirty five cents would pay a round trip fare including admission to the games, but no one here cares to take hold of the business this late in the season and we will hardly witness any base ball this year.

—At the meeting of Co. B., 5th Reg. N. G. P., on Monday night, an attempt was made to elect a second lieutenant. The names of S. W. Gettig, James R. Alexander, Harry Keller and George L. Jackson were placed in nomination. After the first ballot Gettig dropped out, then Alexander followed and only two candidates remained. The balloting continued, resulting in a vote of 26 to 19 in favor of Jackson. It required a majority vote of the company, 31, to elect, however, and as the friends of neither candidate would yield the election was declared off until this evening when another trial will be made. Jackson will be elected this evening, as Keller has withdrawn and under the rules no new nomination can be made.

A CHANGE IN SUPERINTENDENTS AT THE GAS WORKS.—A clap of thunder from a clear sky could not have been more of a surprise to the residents of this place, on Saturday morning, than the announcement that the venerable Robert McKnight was to be relieved from duty as superintendent of the Bellefonte gas and steam heat company. After a service of thirty-eight years, which has been characterized by a remarkable faithfulness, he will sever his connection with the company to make way for the introduction of a new process of gas manufacture, which is the invention of Mr. Arthur Kitson, of Philadelphia, a brother of Ernest Kitson, the present superintendent of the Edison electric illuminating company of this place. The latter gentleman will succeed to the management of the gas company's plant on the 15th inst., when the introduction of his brother's process will be begun. Under the new plan it is expected that gas will be better and cheaper and that enough of it will be made to supply it for fuel purposes as well as for illumination. There is at present no idea of consolidation between the stockholders of the electric and gas companies, this having been the first conclusion that the people jumped at when the news that Mr. McKnight was to retire was announced. Though the matter was talked of some time ago, such a deal will hardly be consummated at this time.

Robert McKnight and his son, Robert Jr., who has been associated with his father ever since he was old enough to work, will quit the employ of the gas company with the satisfaction of knowing that they have zealously upheld its interests, no matter what the consequences. The elder gentleman having been trained in the old school, that taught the apprentice to care for his employer's property as if it were his own, has been honest to a fault and his simple, straight forward manner of doing business has made him the hosts of friends who will regret to learn that there is a possibility of his leaving Bellefonte.

AN UNFORTUNATE OCCURRENCE.—On Wednesday afternoon a strange couple driving a rather dilapidated looking horse appeared on Bishop street, this place, and when in the vicinity of Schrock's blacksmith shop the man was seen to stop and undertake to help the woman out of the vehicle. She seemed to be in great agony and could not move and before she could be gotten out of the buggy to some comfortable retreat she gave premature birth to a child. The couple appeared to be strangers in this community and, as they were without friends, poor over- seer McClure was notified and had them removed to the poor house. Doctor Hoy then attended the woman and she is now about ready to continue her journey. The child was dead and was buried by undertaker Nagay. George Hagar and wife are the names they gave, the man claiming to be a miner from Brownsville, Fayette county. Being unable to get work and with starvation staring them in the face the couple had started to drive to Mrs. Hagar's parents in Elmira, N. Y. Without money their only way to go was to drive and not thinking of the delicate condition of Mrs. Hagar they started over land.

When Potter's Mills was reached the woman began to suffer much pain and it was often necessary to stop the horse so she could lie down by the road side a while. They had been living off the charity of the farmers along their route and slept out of doors, in barns or in a bed just as the kindness of their benefactors was extended.

By the time they reached Centre Hall the condition of the woman had become so serious that Dr. Jacobs was called for her relief. He is reported to have stated that her condition was critical and advised that they hurry on to this place. Just why a physician should have advised such a course when he knew the danger of it is hard to imagine, but they proceeded and reached here about three o'clock. The distressing occurrence followed immediately upon stopping on Bishop street.

A DISASTROUS STORM.—The thunder storm that passed over this section on Sunday afternoon did little damage in the immediate vicinity of Bellefonte, but near Lock Haven it left much destruction in its path. At Flemington two barns were struck by lightning and both burned to the ground. In the one owned by Reuben Shaffer were two horses, sixteen tons of hay, sixteen tons of straw, a quantity of chop and wheat, several vehicles and an ice house, all of which were burned. Mr. Shaffer ran to the barn to get the horses out, but unfortunately the electric bolt had killed one of them and shocked the other one so bad that it could not move. One of the horses belonged to Mr. Johnson, of Jacksonville, who with his family, was spending the day with the Shaffers.

Another barn near by, and owned by N. W. Fredericks, and leased by O. S. Kelsey, was struck and burned down. The Ebenezer Evangelical church, near Pine station, was set afire by an electric current and entirely destroyed and a large farm barn near Muncy was struck and burned.

—Nineteen deaths occurred in Tyrone during the month of July.

—Millheim has lately organized a base ball club.

—The Salona Methodists picnicked at Hecla park yesterday and the Lock Haven Presbyterians will picnic at Clintondale to day.

—The Port Matilda band will be present at the picnic of the Hannah Furnace ball club to-morrow. Base ball and dancing will be the order.

—Last Saturday a severe storm passed over Rebersburg. Trees and fences were blown down and the residents of that town were scared for awhile.

—At the recent civil service examination held here for carriers and clerks in the Bellefonte post-office, Robert H. Woodring, Chas. I. Wetzel, John Laurie and Edward C. Woods passed for carriers while W. H. Garman and George A. Miller came up to the requirements for clerks.

JUDGE WILLIAM ALLISON IS DEAD.—On Tuesday, July 31st, this well known old gentleman expired at the home of his son Miller, at Johnsonburg, Elk county. Deceased was about 70 years of age and a man who at one time was quite prominent in Democratic political circles in this county. He was Associate Judge for one term from 1866 to 1871 and enjoyed the distinction of being a very able man in his time. He was the first associate to sit on a habeas corpus proceedings in the Centre county court.

The late years of his life have been spent among his children who are Mrs. Geo. Council, of Altoona; Mrs. Charles Leathers, of Howard and Miller, of Johnsonburg. He had been in very feeble health for a long time and his death was only the final dissolution consequent upon old age. Interment was made at Jacksonville yesterday.

News Purely Personal.

—Misses Cornelia and Ethel Dale, of Leomont, are visiting in Tyrone.

—Benj. Beaver and wife, of State College spent Sunday with Aaronsburg friends.

—Robt. F. Hunter and Mrs. Hunter are visiting in Philadelphia and Atlantic City.

—Mr. and Mrs. James Lane, of Philadelphia, with Richard their son are visiting friends in Bellefonte.

—Mr. Theodore Lucas, of Altoona, has been spending a few days the past week visiting friends at Bellefonte and Roland.

—The Misses Fauble, of east High street, returned Tuesday evening from a few days pleasure trip to Niagara and Watkins Glen.

—Mr. H. Garman, one of Coatsville's leading jewelers, with his wife, spent a few days here recently as guests of Daniel Garman. They departed Monday for Bedford Springs.

—Mr. George L. Jackson, in company with Lieut. W. F. Reeder, journeyed to Pittsburg on Tuesday where the former underwent an examination for the office of 2nd Lieut. in the N. G. P.

—Mrs. Barbara Rankin and her daughter, Miss Bella, departed Tuesday morning over the Central railroad for Avon, by the Sea, where they will be the guests of Mrs. James H. Lambert, for a week.

—A. C. Mingle and family, of east High street, returned Tuesday morning, from a few weeks sojourn by the sea. We noticed that they were among the guests at a "Ko-Ko-Ma" party given at the Ocean Queen in Atlantic City last week.

—A very distinguished gentleman who has been spending a few days in Bellefonte is J. W. Lukenbach, Esq., of Brooklyn, N. Y. He is general secretary of the American Casket Trust, a strictly confidential and responsible position. He is a full cousin of our townsman A. Lukenbach, at whose home he is visiting. This is the first pleasure trip he has made to this place in seventeen years.

—Rev. David J. Baile D. D., formerly of Johnstown and the author of the "History of the Johnstown Flood," but now of Frederick Md., where he is taking a prominent part in the Francis Scott Key monument movement that is now being enthusiastically agitated throughout the state, spent Monday evening in Bellefonte. He was on his way to Howard and stopped to spend the night with old friends here.

—Among the Bellefonters who are seen daily on the board walk at Atlantic City are Mrs. Archie Allison, and Mr. Mrs. Robert McKnight, Miss Minnie Broedel, Geo. T. Bush, J. C. Meyer and wife, Mrs. F. W. Criter and family, Miss Shortridge, Henry Lyon, Charlie Cruse, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Garberich, the Misses Garret, Mrs. Jonathan Harper and two daughters, Miss Maud and Jennie; J. A. Woodcock and son, Jay, Gottlieb Haaz and wife, Mart Garman and his cousin Miss Robie, Edward Green-shade, Miss Millie Smith, Misses Lizzie Gross, Lizzie Hazell, Christina Coaders, Annie McLaughlin, Curry, Lizzie Brown, Mrs. E. Kitson and son, Mr. J. M. Parker of Curran, and J. H. Kessinger and son, of Hubersburg.

—Harry Frystinger, the former of the Magnet office, was showing his father around the town on Tuesday. Mr. Frystinger was on his way east, having just resigned the editorship of the Warren Evening Mirror, a position he had held for nearly a year. He is a very pleasant gentleman and his writings for the Mirror will doubtless be missed by the readers of that paper. Ed. Frystinger will be remembered by the older residents of Milesburg, for just twenty-one years ago, next Monday, he married Miss Lizzie Faxon, who was then a belle of the town. Ed lived in Lewis-ton then, and often when he came over to this section to see his future wife, he would play ball with the Milesburg club. On one of those trips he pitched the great game that the Milesburgers played with the State College team on the Fair grounds here for the championship of the county. His team won and of course he was hailed over the victory. Those were the days when the ball was not thrown but pitched to the batsmen.

DEATH OF MRS. WILSON.—Mrs. Agnes Wilson, widow of the late Joseph Wilson, died of consumption at her home on Thomas street, Tuesday morning after an illness of more than two years. Mrs. Wilson, who was beloved and respected by every one who knew her, was born 75 years, 2 months and some days ago in Northumberland Co., where her girlhood and early married days were spent. On coming with her husband to this county years ago they bought the farm up Buffalo Run where until Mr. Wilson's death four years ago they made their home. A home that was always noted for its hospitality and cheerfulness. With an exceptionally sweet and gentle disposition she was a constant inspiration to others, and while her death coming as it did so quiet and peaceful at the close of a useful life could not be called sad for she was ready and anxious to go, it leaves very lonely her only daughter, Miss Ella, who has nursed and cared for her devotedly through all these weeks of suffering. Mr. Calvin Wilcox, a prominent business man of Corry, is her only son. After the funeral services at her home Thursday morning, which were conducted by the Rev. George Elliott, her pastor for years, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Laurie, she was taken to the Buffalo Run burial ground and laid to rest by the side of her husband.

THE LOGAN PICNIC NEXT WEEK.—On Thursday, the 9th inst, the Logan steam fire engine company of this place will picnic at Hecla park, on the line of the new Central rail-road of Penna. The posters have been up for some time announcing the many attractive features that the firemen have arranged for the entertainment of those who attend. The program will be exactly as advertised, nothing will be curtailed that will lead to the pleasure of the day.

The rail-road has made exceptionally low rates, so that all persons living along the line can attend. It is the especial desire of the Logans that those who want to make a family picnic of it should do so, for while they will have refreshments of all kinds for sale, yet those persons who want to go and take baskets will be perfectly welcome. The idea is to have a big crowd. The more the merrier and the entertainment will be provided cheerfully, whether you spend a cent or not. Dancing, of course, will be one of the principal modes of amusement and to make it enjoyable a large covered pavilion has been built. There an orchestra of ten pieces will play all day long for those who care to dance. The day will be an enjoyable one and you should not miss it.

ATTENTION COMRADES.—The attendance of all members of Gregg Post, No. 95, is requested at the next regular meeting, Saturday, Aug 4th, 1894, at 7:30 p. m. to make arrangements to attend the national encampment at Pittsburg in September. Free quarters have been assigned to Centre county posts.

THOMAS DONACHY, Commander.

F. P. GREEN, Adjutant.

—All summer clothes at cost. Wilson bill prices—\$10 suits for \$6.—\$8 suits for \$5.—\$7 suits for \$4.75.—\$6 suits for \$4.50.—\$5 suits for \$4. Boys summer suits at half price.

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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.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes items like White wheat, Red wheat, Rye, per bushel, Corn, ears, per bushel, Corn, shelled, per bushel, Oats—new, per bushel, Barley, per bushel, Ground Plaster, per ton, Buckwheat, per bushel, Cloverseed, per bushel.

Bellefonte Produce Markets.

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