

Democratic Watchman

Belleville, Pa., Dec. 6, 1895.

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THINGS ABOUT TOWN & COUNTY

—Are you going to the Logans' 28th annual ball?

—Bellefonte stores are taking on their holiday attire.

—The venerable Jacob Barlett is very ill at his home in this place.

—The Madisonburg Reformed Sunday school will have an entertainment on Christmas eve.

—A 20ft. shaft is being set up over the grave of the late John H. Orvis in the Union cemetery.

—The property of the Millheim turn-pike company is advertised for sheriff's sale, on Dec. 12th.

—One of Ed Foster's grey cab horses laid down and died, last Sunday morning. Look-jack caused death.

—Henry Fiedler, of Madisonburg, and C. C. Loose, of Rebersburg, each lost valuable horses by death, last Saturday and Sunday.

—It is reported that the Bilger brothers will soon start the saw mill which they are locating on the Curtin farm east of Axe Mann.

—The second eleven of the Bellefonte High school and Academy foot ball teams played an interesting game, on Friday afternoon. Neither side scored.

—Elmer Royer, of Centre Hill, and Miss Annie Alexander, a daughter of Jas. Alexander, of Potter township, were married at the home of the bride's parents at noon yesterday.

—J. W. Stuart and J. O. Glover, two of the projectors of the State College water works, now in successful operation, are contemplating equipping a service for Millheim.

—If you are in a quandary as to what would make one of your friends a pretty and useful Christmas present turn to the advertisement of the china hall, on another page and read.

—The funeral of the late Michael Derstine, who died, on Tuesday, at Centre Hill, will be held this afternoon. Deceased was 64 years old and leaves a widow, two sons and two daughters.

—Miss Brew has announced the date of her regular winter assembly for Tuesday evening, December 10th. It will be given in the Arcade and Chapell's orchestra will furnish the music.

—Richards' sons have a new advertisement in this week, calling attention to their holiday novelties in jewelry. Read it if you want to know where to go to get the right things at the right price.

—John Hurd, the Blair county commissioner who was recently convicted of mal-administration of his office, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$50, costs of prosecution and was dismissed from office, by the court, on Monday.

—George Rumberger, a son of register G. W. Rumberger, of this place, has been promoted by the railroad company and is now agent at Smoke Run station. He had been baggage master at Phillipsburg and was considered a very faithful employe.

—The Valentine iron company has opened up a new ore bank on the farm of Israel Kaufman, near town. The ore is of the nitany vein and very good. It is being worked by means of a narrow gauge road running over from Nigh bank. It is reported that Mr. Kaufman's royalty is \$24 a day.

—The Senior assembly at The Pennsylvania State College, last Friday night, was a very pretty social affair. Though not as largely attended as the spring and commencement dances usually are the point of members did not detract from the enjoyment of those who were fortunate enough to have been there.

—William Bland, whose family lives in what is known as "the brick row," on north Spring street, was arrested here, Saturday morning, and taken to Huntingdon, where he is charged with adultery. There had been a warrant out for him for nearly a year, but he always evaded any attempt to serve it, until last Friday when he ventured back to his home here and officer Gares nabbed him.

—Council held a decidedly unimportant meeting, on Monday night. There was a request for a crossing at Wilson and High streets, the Street committee reported the raising of the bridge over Logan's branch, on Willowbank street, and various work done in different parts of town; a balance of \$8,000, was announced to be due the treasurer; the Water committee reported repairs to the boilers at the water works sufficient to carry 60lbs. pressure; the Market committee reported that market will be kept open as long as any vendors attend and bills amounting to \$694.08, were ordered to be paid, after which the meeting adjourned.

A NEW RAILROAD FOR BELLEFONTE

—In an issue, several weeks ago, the WATCHMAN hinted at a railroad enterprise that came to light Tuesday when a charter was granted for the new Bellefonte and Clearfield railroad. The capital of the new corporation is placed at \$1,100,000 and the following were the incorporators appearing on the charter: President, Chas. W. Wilhelm, of Reading; directors, James Harris, D. M. Butts, Henry Brockerhoff, L. T. Munson and John J. Walsh, all of Bellefonte; and A. V. Hoyt, of Phillipsburg.

The new line will extend from a point near Milesburg to the town of Clearfield and will be fifty-five miles long. The exact route will not be known until later but it is probable that the line will touch Phillipsburg. Surveyors are at work now and it will not be very long until we can give our readers something more definite about the outcome of this move. Suffice it to say that it is only another step in what may eventually become a through system of railroads from east to west.

—While returning from bible class, last Thursday night, Sadie, Annie and Hattie Hastings, daughters of Mr. George Hastings, of Buffalo Run, met with an accident that might have resulted far more seriously than it did.

The girls had just left the meeting house in their buggy when a runaway team crashed into them from the rear. Their buggy was upset and the force of the collision threw their horse clear over a fence into the field at the roadside. The girls were all more or less bruised but suffered no serious injuries. Not so, however, with the young woman who was in the wagon being dragged along at break-neck speed by the runaway horses. She was thrown out at the foot of the hill and hurt so badly that she is now under a physician's care.

Her name is Cook and she is employed by the family of Mr. Wm. Tressler, at Fillmore. She met with her mishap through not heeding Mr. Tressler's advice to her to not attempt to unhitch his team. She had left the meeting house and after untying the horses undertook to turn them around to wait for the family to go home, when they became frightened and ran away with her, with the above results.

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—The dedication of the new United Evangelical church, at Woodward, last Sunday, attracted many people to that place. The services were interestingly conducted by Rev. S. L. Wiest, of Harrisburg, and Rev. P. C. Weidemyer, D. S. Kepner, W. C. Hoch and J. J. Lohr, the pastor. The church is said to be a very cosy, comfortable structure.

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—The old man was hurrying to get off the bridge before the Central train got up to him, but he did not see the other that was fast overtaking him. He was struck by the pilot, just as he was about to step off the trestle, and knocked down on the abutments. The train was stopped and the injured man was picked up and brought up to the station where Dr. Harris examined him to find one rib broken and a painful abrasion of the scalp.

He was taken to the Bush House where he became unconscious and it is feared cannot recover. He suffered a hemorrhage of the brain last evening that indicates that he cannot live longer than to-day. He is 59 years old, is a resident of Howard and was a single man. His brother was killed at the same kilns some time ago.

—PUT UP THEIR CART AND HARNESS AS A FINE.—On Monday a young man named Jackson came down from the vicinity of Lemont and after getting a brother, who lives out on Half Moon hill, in with him, the pair started to race their old horse around the streets at a terrific pace. It was a shame the way they abused their poor old horse and no one who saw them would have been sorry had the dilapidated old nag upset the gig and run away from its drunken drivers.

Officer Gares "pinched" them, after he thought they had gone far enough, and both were locked up while the horse was taken to the livery stable and cared for. About 9 o'clock in the evening they were offered release on the payment of \$5 fine, but as neither one of them could raise that much velvet they decided to put the cart and harness up. This was done and the country Jackson got astride his horse and started for home, but he didn't get out of town until away in the morning hours. We'll bet that if he had very far to ride on that nag he will need about 60 inch trousers hereafter.

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—G. M. Weber, of Rebersburg, recently butchered a hog that dressed 685lbs.

—Felix Royer, of Millheim, won a 29lb turkey at a Coburn "raffling" match.

—Harry, a son of Alec. Henderson, of Howard, died at Cripple Creek, Col., recently.

—J. S. Chapman, of Flemington, killed a catamount, in the vicinity of Ferney, one day last week.

—George Hall, of Mill Hall, recently butchered two hogs that dressed 540 lbs and 428lbs respectively.

—James Eckhart, a brakeman on a local freight, shot a deer from the train while it was standing near the siding at Wetham.

—Wm. Hackman, of Rebersburg, shot a five-pronged buck, in the Brush valley narrows, last Friday, that weighed 175 lbs.

—When John Cryder, a Sinking valley farmer, butchered, on Tuesday, he made a piece of sausage 50ft. long. He stuffed one skin that measured 50ft.

—The Logan hunting club, of Tyrone, that spent ten days on Six mile run, on the Alleghenies recently, returned, last Saturday evening, with a two pronged buck. They saw six deer but got only one.

—James McGuire, an itinerant scissor grinder, who hails from Beaver, Pa., was arrested in Lock Haven, Monday night, for having stolen a watch from the home of Paul Rice, during a visit to that town several weeks ago. McGuire admitted the theft.

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THE LATE JOHN ALEXANDER WOODCOCK

—A gradual decline, that had its beginning about eighteen months ago, ended in the death of Rev. John Alexander Woodcock, at his home, on Linn street, this place, about 10 o'clock Wednesday morning. His disease had baffled the skill of most expert physicians from its very inception and even now it is only conjecture to report that it was a malignant affection of the stomach. Through all the long period of his decline he maintained a remarkable spirit of cheerfulness that buoyed the hope of his ultimate recovery even unto the morning of his death.

Deceased was born in Wells valley, Fulton county, June 13th, 1841. Having spent the early days of his life about the parental home he entered Dickinson Seminary, at Williamsport, at the age of 22 and three years later, in 1866, he entered the ministry of the Methodist church. During his connection with the conference he served at Woodbury, Bellwood, Green Castle, Millinburg, Watsonburg, Williamsport, Osceola Mills, Milesburg and Mechanicsburg, in addition to having supplied various charges, among them having been Bellefonte at the time the Methodist church was without a minister, owing to the appointment of Rev. Foster to the presiding eldership. His last work was done in 1883, when a physical collapse compelled his withdrawal from the ministry. After living at Bedford for a year he removed to this place and built the home in which he died. The later years of his life was spent as an insurance solicitor and it is said of him that he was one of the most reputable men who have ever done business in this community. As the representative of the New York Mutual, the Northwestern and other corporations his success and fidelity was best seen in the exceptional work he accomplished.

In 1870 Rev. Woodcock married Anna Forbes, of Chambersburg. She, with their two sons, Lee and Jay, survive.

He was a man whose nobility of purpose and purity of life will be sweetest comfort to the bereaved ones. He was a good man. Good in every sense of the term, which implies utter disavowal of ideas bordering on fanaticism. And the fruits of his Christian character and ministry are living monuments to his memory.

Funeral services will be held at the house this afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. W. A. Houck, of Hazleton, will officiate, assisted by Rev. J. W. Rue, Rev. A. R. Miller, Phillipsburg, and Rev. Dr. Laurie.

—DIED AFTER A LONG ILLNESS.—Christian Dale Jr., of Dale's Mills, near Pleasant Gap, died early last Sunday morning, the result of a protracted illness with tuberculosis of the throat.

Deceased was born Oct. 6th, 1835, and spent most of his early life on his father's farm, teaching district school during the winters of his young manhood. In September, 1861, he enlisted as a private in the 49th Reg. P. V. and served with so much distinction during the entire war that he was mustered out as a captain in July of '65.

Upon his return from the war he went back to farming and in connection with that work he started the milling business which afterwards gave the property the name of Dale's Mills. The homes of the Dales at that place are pretty, thrifty looking properties that bespeak the energy of their owners.

In 1867 Mr. Dale married Miss Catharine Musser, of Ferguson township, a sister of W. H. Musser, of this place. Mrs. Dale died about five years ago. He was secretary of the Centre county patron's fire insurance company for years, held various posts of honor in the U. V. L. No. 59, and Gregg post, G. A. R. No. 95, of Bellefonte. Blanche, an adopted child, survives with the other nearest relatives who are the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Susan Musser, of Fillmore; Henry Dale, Oak Hall; George Dale, near Lemont; William F. Dale, Pleasant Gap; Mrs. Kate Musser, Pine Grove Mills; Philip S. Dale, Woodward; Austin Dale, Oak Hall; and A. A. Dale and Clement Dale, of Bellefonte. Solomon Dale, a brother, was killed at the battle of Spotsylvania Court House, May 12, 1864. This is the first death in the family since the death of this brother in the war.

Interment was made in the Lutheran cemetery, at Pleasant Gap, on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock. The funeral was one of the largest ever seen in that community and was a mark of respect thoroughly fitting the good life that had been ended. Revs. Leber and Zehner officiated.

—Jack McClellan, a Phillipsburg freeman, fell to the ground, unconscious, while helping to pull the Reliance engine home from a fire in that place Thanksgiving morning. He lived only a short time afterwards as he had heart disease. Deceased was a veteran and made his living as a violinist. He was a relative of Hon. Chester Munson.

DEATH'S SOLEMN VISITATION.—"The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away; blessed is the name of the Lord."

Last Sunday morning all that was mortal of Elmira J. Butler, of Jacksonville, took on immortality and joined the innumerable throng in the silent halls of death.

Her illness was not of long duration, in truth it might be said that she died suddenly, for that morning she arose, as usual, and did not complain until several hours later when she noticed a peculiar feeling in the region of her heart. She died almost immediately.

Deceased was the wife of John Butler, a highly respected resident of Marion township, and was about forty-eight years old. Besides her husband she leaves six children to mourn her sudden demise. They are Samuel W., Ada E., Amelia, Franklin P., Luther and J. Beaver.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon, at 1 o'clock, and burial was made according to the rites of the Lutheran church of which deceased was a zealous member. Interment was made at Snyderstown.

—Mrs. Angeline Titlow Confer died at her home, in Millheim, last Thursday night. Her death was very sudden as she had attended Thanksgiving services that day and soon after retiring suffered a stroke of palsy. Deceased was 65 years old and leaves a son, two daughters and a husband.

—Proctor Myers, one of Lock Haven's oldest and wealthiest residents, died in that city at noon, on Tuesday. Deceased was 82 years old.

—The large saw mill built at Sparrows Point, Md., last spring, by Williamsport lumbermen, to saw the logs that the flood carried away from their mills, finished its work on Saturday. About 50,000,000 feet of timber was cut.

—Now is the time to buy your men's storm overcoats. Lyon & Co. sell good ones at \$3.75, \$4.50, \$5.50 and \$6.

—News Purely Personal.

—Harry T. Gerberich, of this place, was a Lock Haven visitor on Monday.

—Mrs. J. L. Kurtz left, Tuesday, for a two months visit with relatives in Philadelphia.

—Mr. J. W. Lukens, one of Phillipsburg's old time Democrats, was in attendance at court during the fore part of the week.

—Jas. McMann and John Hill, of this place, attended the ball and cake walk of the Hope Hose company in Lock Haven, last Friday night.

—Ezekiah Ewing, of Fairbrook, was in town, Monday, called here to look after a case that he had in court, but like many others it was continued.

—Isaac Underwood, to whose persuasive abilities McCallmont & Co., of this place, owe much of their large trade in implements, was a Phillipsburg visitor, on Monday. He went over to attend the funeral of Harrison Kirk.

—W. M. Irvin came up from his home in Williamsport to attend the funeral of the late Christian Dale, on Wednesday. Mr. Irvin spoke very highly of the deceased whom he regards as one of the best men he ever knew.

—Mrs. John Bright with her daughter, Rosa, are east to spend the winter. Mrs. Bright is the wife of Rev. John Bright, of Topeka, Kansas, who spent part of last summer visiting relatives in Centre county. He is a well known Lutheran divine.

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—Mrs. Isaac Tressler came over from his home at Linden Hall, on Monday morning, to give some testimony in a case called for this term of court, but it was postponed until the January term. Mr. Tressler did not have any thing to do during the day and spent it in looking around the town. He made a pleasant call at this office and gave his opinion as to what he thought of public officials in general.

—J. H. Spotts was in town, Tuesday, hurrying from one place to another in pursuit of the various little matters of business that invariably combine to keep one on the jump who doesn't get here any oftener than he does. He is a son of Mr. H. F. Spotts who lives north of Unionville and is a young man who has inherited a very pleasant manner from his estimable father.

—Jury Commissioner Joseph Hoy was in town during the week making himself useful about the court house. Just what his business was we don't know but we do know that he swiped the editor most unmercifully at checkers and then rubbed it in harder by saying: "Really I haven't played a game before in nine years. What a terror the Marton township justices must have been when he was in practice."

—On Tuesday one of our oldest friends, Mr. William Foster, of State College, was in town, and we are glad to say thought enough of us to call for a few moments. Though 77 years old he is still as jolly as the day is long and while talking rather merrily of time's aging flight we really didn't notice a single change in his appearance since we first met him, nearly ten years ago. Mr. Foster is one of those old gentlemen who can see some good in young folks and few men are more heartened by those who have enjoyed his friendship, than he is.

Mrs. Orblson and her daughter, Miss Agnes, have arrived at Bridgeton, N. J., where they will visit Mrs. Beach. Mrs. Orblson's other daughter, Miss Agnes went to India five years ago to teach under the direction of the Presbyterian Board of Missions. She was well fitted for the work and did nobly until her health began to fail. Since last March she has been in Florence, Italy, where her mother has been for two years and now they are both home for a season of rest and recuperation, after spending several months in Switzerland and France.

JOHN BOWER IN TROUBLE AGAIN.

—On information made by the Pennsylvania rail-road company's representatives at Julian John Bower, a one legged boy, well-known to the Centre county court, was arrested in Tyrone, Tuesday, by rail-road officer Barr and brought to jail here the same evening.

He is charged with having robbed the passenger station at Julian, of \$51, on October 22nd. Bower was arrested for train jumping and held until the warrant for burglary could be sent up there. He has been before the court for disturbing religious meetings and his last appearance was when he returned the proprietors of Garman's hotel and made a fiasco of his attempt to prove them guilty of knowingly selling liquor to minors.

Bower was caught through the medium of a plugged quarter which was identified by the station agent.

—Men's nobby hats, in black and brown, at 99 cts. \$1.24, \$1.39, \$1.74 and upwards at Lyon & Co's.

—AN INSTITUTE WEEK ATTRACTION.—This year the public school teachers of the county will have something really worth the time they spend in seeing it. Powell, the magician, who gave such a delightful entertainment here several weeks ago, will return to Garman's, Monday night, December 16th.

As his engagement will not conflict with any of the regular institute exercises the teachers will probably take advantage of the opportunity to see a high class prestidigitator. His show is something that every one should see.

—IN A PRECARIOUS CONDITION.—In our last issue we noticed the affliction that had befallen Mrs. Abram Meffard of west Lamb street, but had no idea of how serious it was. The lady is in a sad plight, indeed. Her throat is paralyzed and as it is impossible for her to take enough nourishment to sustain life she must inevitably starve.

—Lyon & Co. are selling a special bargain in ladies kid gloves at 75 and 85 cents, worth \$1 and \$1.25 per pair.

—FOR SALE.—A team of heavy draft horses, 8 years old. Will weigh 1600 lbs. each.

T. B. BUDINGER, Snow Shoe, Pa.

—If you want a good heavy merino shirt and drawers buy Lyon & Co's 37ct goods.

HAY WANTED.—Have you a car-load of good timothy hay you want to sell for cash. If so, write or telephone T. B. Budinger, Snow Shoe, Pa.

—LOST.—A small sterling silver watch box with the monogram, G. R. M., engraved on one side. The finder will be rewarded by returning same to this office.

—WHERE YOU CAN BUY THE CHEAPEST.—It is a question of dollars and cents after all. No matter what people say it is as natural to save a penny in buying as it is to eat dinner at the dinner hour. Opportunities to make great savings are not often to be had, but Lyon & Co's, big advertisement in this issue affords just such a chance. Read it and profit by the bargains it holds out. A dollar saved is a dollar earned.

HOLIDAY CASH SALE.—We have this day inaugurated a grand holiday cash sale to change our large stock into cash. In the north window we make an unusual display of articles for 25 cents. Consisting of Gloves, Neckwear, Initial Silk Handkerchiefs, Caps, Ladies' Silk Garters, Children's Underwear and heavy Winter Caps. In the south window are the articles for 50 cents which are too numerous to mention. Suffice it to say, be prepared for a great surprise. We expect to double our sales this holiday season. Do not disappoint us.

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:

New wheat.....	60
Red wheat.....	60
Rye, per bushel.....	45
Corn, old, per bushel.....	40
Corn, new, ears per bushel.....	15
Oats—new, per bushel.....	20
Barley, per bushel.....	30
Ground plaster, per ton.....	9 50
Buckwheat, per bushel.....	40
Cloverseed, per bushel.....	40 to 50 80

—Bellefonte Produce Markets.

Corrected weekly by Seehler & Co.

Potatoes per bushel.....	20
Onions.....	20
Eggs, per dozen.....	25
Lard, per pound.....	8
Country Shoulders.....	8
Sides.....	8
Hams.....	12
Fallow, per pound.....	3
Butter, per pound.....	20

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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	\$10
Two inches.....	7	10	15
Three inches.....	10	15	20
Quarter Column (4 1/2 inches).....	12	20	30
Half Column (9 inches).....	20	35	50
One Column (18 inches).....	35	65	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

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