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THINGS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTRY

Next week the busy school teachers will come trooping into town, with their pretty faces, some with pretty gowns, some sober, staid and smart ones.

They had zero weather in Phillipsburg last Friday night.

Groceries that are fresh and fine at Sechler's all the time.

Call and see our 40ct. boxes of fine chocolates and bonbons. Nothing better. Put up at Sourbeck's.

Three inch ice was being cut on the river at Lock Haven on Saturday. The ice is 9 1/2 inches thick at Hecla.

Various manufacturing establishments and railroads pay nearly \$10,000 a month to employees in Mill Hill.

The Boston ladies' military band comes to Garman's, on Saturday night, as the fourth attraction in the People's popular course. It has a fine reputation and is considered the star feature of the list.

There are one hundred tickets unsold for the People's popular course, which are now being offered at 65cts. each. They are good for five entertainments and are a bargain at that price.

Memorial services in honor of comrades William Jones, Frank McMullen and Thomas R. Benner will be held in Gregg post rooms Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. Dr. Stephens and others will make addresses.

A fine full of soot caught fire at the house of William Resides, on east High street, Tuesday afternoon, and the fire department was called out. Before the men had dragged their apparatus clear to the top of the hill the fire was extinguished.

Emmanuel Markle, who left the employ of Jenkins and Lingle in this place several months ago to accept a position in Pittsburg, is lying in the West Penn hospital in that city seriously ill with typhoid fever. He was reported to be improving yesterday.

This Friday afternoon, December 16th, at 2 o'clock, the Senior class of the Belleville High school will hold literary exercises in the High school building, to which everybody is cordially invited. It will be the occasion of closing the schools for the holiday vacation.

Sessions of farmers' institutes under direction of the state board of Agriculture will be held at Warriorsburg on December 30th and 31st. The state speakers who will be present are: Gabriel Heister, Harrisburg; J. D. Fries, State College; Prof. S. B. Hughes, York; J. T. Rothrock and R. S. Seeds.

John Fisher, whose home is on Water street in this place, is lying at the home of his mother-in-law, at Boalsburg, with a broken right leg. He was a member of a hunting party that was starting out from that place and while packing the camp outfit on a wagon he fell off with the above result.

F. C. Richards' Sons, are this year showing a holiday stock that far surpasses any former season, and embraces everything new in jewelry, watches, clocks, sterling silver, etc. The best of goods of the reliable kind and at prices to suit all. A visit to their store will pay you and make your holiday shopping easy.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of the Christian church in Howard will hold a fair and festival in Lucas' hall, beginning Thursday evening, Dec. 22nd, and continuing until the following Saturday evening. Plenty of articles suitable for Christmas gifts will be offered for sale and as the proceeds are for a laudable cause a large patronage is solicited.

District agent Robert F. Hunter, of the New England mutual life insurance company, is distributing some handsome calendars for the new year. And that isn't all he is doing, either, for he is writing a lot of insurance for his company in this section. When the old year is tolled off his business won't be far from \$200,000. While the fact that he represents a very conservative company has had much to do with his success, yet it would be folly to think that the tactful manner in which he has handled his business in this section has not been the real reason.

The Belleville Academy foot-ball team held its annual banquet at Ceder's, on Friday night. The rooms were decorated in yellow and white, the colors of the institution, and covers had been laid for eighteen. The place presented a charming sight when the banqueters took their places. They were: Mr. Ellis L. Orvis, representing the board of trustees of the Academy, Rev. J. P. Hughes, the principal, Mr. J. R. Hughes, Ralph Cummings, Donald Potter, John Henderson, Steven Van Tassel, William Cassidy, Joe Twitiner, Clarence Garbick, J. K. Palmer, Willis Sellers, John Decker, J. Wright, Alfred Brishin, Wilson Gebhart, Irvin Thompson and manager Edward Miller. When the last course had been served toasts were proposed and responses were made by a number of our men.

THE CONCLUSION OF THE CIVIL COURT.

In our last week's report of court proceedings we published a full account of everything that had been done up to the adjournment on Thursday evening. At that time the Condo case, which will be found on page 4 of this issue, was on trial. After it was disposed of others were taken up as follows:

Salt Lick Oil and Gas Co., of Karthaus, vs. S. A. Butler, summons in replevin was brought to recover for traction engine, boiler, bits, ropes, lumber, tools and machinery. The plaintiffs withdrew a jury and continued the case.

Mary T. Fox vs. Pennsylvania railroad Co., summons in trespass; plead not guilty. This suit was brought by the widow to recover from the defendant company for the killing of her husband, Joseph Fox, on Nov. 13th, 1897, on Race street, Belleville borough, on the siding leading into the Fuel and Supply Co's yard. After the plaintiff had produced all their testimony the defendant moved a compulsory non-suit, which was granted. The plaintiff at once obtained a rule on the defendant to show cause why the non-suit should not be taken off, which will be argued later.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania ex-relations H. M. Goodman, administrator of etc., of Emma C. Goodman, deceased vs. Centre county, summons in assumpsit. Continued.

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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, use of D. M. Lieb, guardian, now to the use of W. H. Musser, guardian, of Lydia Gregg, minor child of Lida P. Gregg, deceased, vs. John Curtin and H. L. Bathurst, surviving J. B. Curtin, late of Centre county, deceased. Non-suit.

Wm. H. McCausland, now for the use of Anna Richmond and Rachel Beal, vs. L. Milton Wilson. Continued.

Laura C. Mull, Julia L. Hale, Laura C. Mull, executrix and trustee under the last will and testament of John A. Mull, deceased, Reuben H. Mull, Lawrence J. Mull, a minor by the said Reuben H. Mull, his next friend, and Nathan H. Mull, a minor by the said Reuben H. Mull, his next friend, vs. Jacob Walker, summons in ejectment, plea not guilty. Continued.

"A CAPABLE COMPANY."—That is what the Kane opera company advertised and the advertisements were more than fulfilled. The company came to Garman's, on Monday night, to sing Offenbach's comic opera "The Grand Duchess" and it is really a pity that there were so few people there to hear it. The production was effectively costumed and the roles were all admirably sustained. In fact there was not a single feature in which the Kane company did not outrank the Andrews people by a very large margin.

Miss Gilman sang the leading role with a dash and grace that earned several encores for her, and the cutest, daintiest little woman who has been seen at Garman's for a long time was Grace Hazard, who sang the role of "Wanda." Her specialties were about as clever and refined as any one could have desired. Martin Pache sang "Fritz" with an ease that was pleasing, while Adolph Mayer in the role of "Prince Paul" sang himself into favor. His voice is peculiarly mellow, but much of its effect is lost through indistinct enunciation. The comedy end of the opera was ably sustained by Mountjoy Walker and Charles Meyer whose characters of "Baron Puck" and "General Baum" gave them ample opportunity to keep the house going.

Master Maurice Poure, the boy violinist who has been with the company several weeks, is a wonderful performer on the violin. He is a Detroit lad, but has studied in New York long enough to earn a scholarship to Brussels, which he means soon to take advantage of.

The company will sing here again next Monday night when it is to be hoped that they will have the packed house their work merits. As "the Grand Duchess" is not as tuneful as some of the other operas in their repertoire they will probably change their bill.

AN INJUSTICE.—In the report of the council proceedings published in this paper last week the writer inadvertently stepped on the weak links in the chain that holds a faithful but ill paid individual to a semi-public position. In commenting on the petition of the Logan engine company for the right to abandon the individual heating plant in their building and introduce central steam we said that the cause of the complaint that there is not uniform heat might probably be removed by giving uniform attention to the heating apparatus.

Now right there is where a wrong impression was conveyed to the public. Be it understood that we meant no reflection on the Logans, or their faithful major domo, George Fasig. They do not have money to pay a janitor who might look after their heating apparatus, so its care is dependent upon the members who visit the house at different times. Thus, you see, the heat must be afflicted with intermittent fever most of the time. It is only right that the men's quarters should be made as comfortable as possible all the time. For they cheerfully give the citizens of the town service of inestimable worth and ask no other return than that they be given a pleasant meeting place.

The Presbyterians are practicing for a cantata to be given the week between Christmas and New Years; the Methodists will have their Christmas festival the night before Christmas, and the Episcopalians and Reformers are preparing some fine music for their services.

The last report showed 562 inmates in the Huntingdon reformatory.

Christmas greens. Laurel by the yard, holly-wreaths and mistletoe at Sourbeck's.

The Swedish Lutheran church at Peale was burned to the ground last Sunday.

The rabbit doesn't need to hunt his hole to-day. The law walks with the cotton tail now.

John W. Kitchen has purchased the store of the late L. C. Brinton in Phillipsburg.

G. Burket Lever, of Warriorsburg, has been appointed mercantile appraiser for Huntingdon county.

The Boston ladies' military band at Garman's tomorrow night will be well worth hearing.

The Kane opera company will sing here again on Monday night and if their work is as good as it was this week the house can't be too full.

Mrs. Samuel Roan, of Flemington, was stricken with paralysis on Saturday morning and has been unconscious ever since.

Walter G. Butts has given up his Imperial hotel in Houtzdale and located in Windber, where he will engage in the same business.

Dr. H. S. Braucht is going to move from Milesburg to Spring Mills, where he expects to take the practice of the late Dr. Van Valzah.

Grace Hazard's clever specialties are enough to repay anyone who goes to hear the Kane opera company. They will sing here again on Monday night.

John D. Jones, a Welch miner who was hurt in an accident at Patton on Friday, died in the Cottage hospital, in Phillipsburg, Saturday morning. He was 40 years old and leaves a widow.

Tuesday evening a girl baby arrived at the home of John N. Bauer, on Bishop street, and it is needless to say that the young merchant has been up on stilts ever since.

E. C. Poorman, of Tyrone, well known in this place, seriously strained his back while lifting something at his house, on Saturday. He will be laid up for some time.

Mrs. Rick, the widow of the late chaplain of the 12th Pa. Vols., who died of typhoid fever contracted at camp Alger, gave birth to a baby daughter at her home in Williamsport recently.

Thirty or more Clearfield county boys were mustered into the regular army by a recruiting officer who was in Clearfield last week. Of the entire number enlisting only three had been volunteer soldiers.

Andrew Hanga, a Hungarian miner, was buried under several tons of rock by a cave in at one of the Lehigh company's mines, near Snow Shoe, on Tuesday. He was instantly killed. A wife and several small children survive.

Lewis Furey, a son of Joe W. Furey formerly of this place, who enlisted in the regular army at Lock Haven several days ago, has written home from camp at Huntsville, Ala., that he likes it first rate. He says they drill six hours a day, have plenty to eat and wear, straw ticks and plenty of blankets to sleep on. He is attached to the Tenth Inf. and will go to Cuba soon.

Emmanuel Noll, master of baggage at the Pennsylvania station in this place, has sent several Christmas presents that will be appreciated by their recipients. Next year two former Centre countians will read the WATCHMAN regularly as a result of Mr. Noll's good judgment in the choice of a remembrance for them. The regular visit of a home paper during the year is something that anyone in a far off part of the country will receive with delight.

Superintendent Frank Clemson, of Scotia, is cultivating a love for farm lands and incidentally acquiring some of the most desirable sites in Patton township. Several years ago he bought the J. G. Gray farm and built it up until it raised a great crop this year and now he has gotten possession of the Jacob Gray farm, directly east of his first purchase, and proposes to make it what it once was, one of the famous places of Halfmoon valley.

The marriage of Joseph H. Emerick, of Zion, to Miss Mary Dow, of Loganton, was an event of decided importance in Sugar-valley last week. The ceremony was performed on Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's father, Mr. Edson Dow, and seventy-one guests were there to witness it. The interior of the house was tastefully decorated with evergreens and choice flowers. At 7:30 o'clock the wedding march was played by Mrs. W. F. Stover and the bridal party took their positions. The best man was Mr. Theo. Kridler, of Cedar Springs, while Miss Sallie Dow, sister of the bride, was her maid. The bride wore a beautiful gown of cream cashmere decorated with French point lace and wore white satin slippers. The groom was dressed in the conventional black. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Charles D. Russel, of the Evangelical Lutheran church.

AN OLD MILESBURGER GONE.—At the advanced age of 82 years, 11 months and 28 days Andrew S. Kremer, of Milesburg, departed this life. He died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Hannah E. Grove, on Saturday evening, at 6:30 o'clock, which place interment was made on Tuesday afternoon.

Deceased had been in failing health for some time, but was able to attend the election last month. On Friday morning he suffered a stroke of paralysis that rendered him unconscious and he remained in that condition until the time of his death. He came of a family remarkable for its longevity. His father was 88 when he died and his mother was 94. Mrs. Toner, one of his sisters, is still living, though she has reached the ripe old age of 87.

He was a son of Andrew Kremer and was born in Milesburg, Dec. 12th, 1815. There were ten children in the family, all but four of whom have been called home. They are Edward Kremer, of Johnstown; Mrs. Toner, of Canton, Ohio; Mrs. Helen Roush, of Altoona; and Mrs. Sara McKinley, of Milesburg. In 1836 he married Miss Amelia Rinkard, of Union county, and four children blessed this union; two of whom survive: Mrs. Mary C. Carr and Mrs. Grove. Mr. Kremer had been identified with the town of Milesburg since 1841. He was a respected citizen, a member of the Methodist church and during his active life filled a prominent place in the doings of that town.

DAN'L MEYERS KILLED ON A LUMBER JOB.—The many friends of Daniel Meyers, eldest son of Thomas Meyers, of this place, will be sorry to learn of his tragic death, which occurred on a lumber job in Elk county on last Friday afternoon. Deceased was well known here, where he went to school before leaving was connected with Meese's grocery store. The body arrived in Belleville, Saturday evening and was taken to the home of Wm. Tressler, at Fillmore, whence burial was made on Sunday afternoon, in Meyer's cemetery. Deceased was about 30 years old and unmarried.

The particulars of the accident that resulted in his death are about as follows: Wednesday, Meyers, in company with some other men, was engaged in hauling logs by means of a train of flat cars from one point on the lumber job to the saw mill several miles distant. During one of their trips to the mill one of their number was thrown from the cars and killed. The men did not take him to the mill then, but left him until they had gone to the mill and unloaded the logs. Then Meyers and two other men started back as fast as they could with the engine without cars. They were running tapt and first at a rapid rate of speed, and suddenly, when rounding a sharp curve, the engine upset, pinning the three men underneath. The men were terribly crushed and scalded. Two of them died almost instantly, but Meyers lingered in terrible agony until Friday afternoon, when he died.

KILLED BY THE CARS.—Geo. W. Woods lost his life on the railroad at Pitecain last week. He was stepping from one car to another when he missed his footing, fell to the tracks and was ground to pieces. He was the husband of a former Belleville girl, having been married to Miss Nellie Rodgers, a daughter of Mrs. George W. Rodgers, soon after the family moved from this place to Wall.

Deceased was 22 years old and besides his widow he leaves a mother and four sisters to mourn his death.

Josiah Johnson, aged 79 years, one of the oldest farmers in Nittany valley, died at his home near Hecla park on Sunday evening. His death was the result of old age and paralysis. Deceased was a brother of the venerable Bob Johnson, of east Bishop street, this place, and is survived by several children. He was born in Union county, March 6th, 1819, but had been a resident of Centre since his boyhood. Interment was made in the Zion cemetery on Wednesday morning.

Claude Amannerman, the Phillipsburg, young man who left the Cottage hospital in that place on Thanksgiving day to see a foot ball game, is dead. He was in the hospital being treated for a gun shot wound in the big-toe. Though in no condition to leave the institute he walked out to see a foot ball game, caught cold in the injured member, lock-jaw developed and he died last Thursday morning. He was about 23 years old.

Mrs. Harvey Benner died suddenly at her home in Atlantic City, N. J., last Saturday morning. She had been ill for some time previous, but was not thought to be in a serious condition. Her death was due to a collapse of her nervous system. Deceased was very well known in Belleville, where she spent all of her life before moving to Atlantic City. Her maiden name was Elizabeth Baney. Burial was made in that place.

Miss Agnes Mattern, aged 17 years, died at the home of her father, Rev. John Mattern, near Danville, during the fore part of last week and was buried last Thursday, in Gray's burying ground in Halfmoon. Spine trouble caused her death. The funeral took place at the home of her grandfather, Geo. S. Gray.

The body of C. R. Slocum, who died at North Bend on Tuesday with pneumonia, will be interred at Engleville to-day. Services will be conducted in the Disciple church in that place.

News Purely Personal.

Mrs. W. F. Reeder returned to Harrisburg, Monday afternoon, after spending Sunday at her home in this place.

Mrs. Mollie Valentine returned to her home in this place, on Friday morning, after quite an extended visit in Philadelphia.

M. L. McDowell, one of the chemists at The Pennsylvania State Experiment station at State College, was in town yesterday.

Jury commissioner Joseph Hoy is up from his home at Jacksonville ready to begin his work filing the jury wheel for next year.

Mrs. J. Y. Dale, of Lemont, returned to her home in that place, on Tuesday evening, after a week's visit with relatives in Phillipsburg.

Protonotary and Mrs. W. F. Smith were in Millheim during the fore part of the week, having a lunching. William was not planting fruit trees this trip.

Hon. Leonard Rhone, of Centre Hall, with Mrs. Rhone and their daughter, Miss Florence, are in Williamsport attending the meeting of the State grange this week.

Miss Winifred Neubauer, organist in the Presbyterian church, was called to her home in Philadelphia, Saturday night, on account of the death of her grandmother.

Former Judge A. O. First, whose extensive practice keeps him traveling to all parts of the State, was in Hollidaysburg this week, where he was counsel in some very important litigation.

Misses Martha and Elizabeth Faxon, daughters of chief engineer Thomas Faxon, of the Edison Co., are at their home on east High street to spend the holidays. Both young ladies are students at the Central state normal school in Lock Haven.

Monday, December 13th, was in town on Monday disposing of some of his surplus butchering product. We don't know what success he met with, but speaking from personal experience we can truthfully say that no more wholesome hams can be had than the ones Mr. Tressler cures.

Norton E. Hess and his bright little son from Pine Grove Mills, were in town Saturday visiting the shops and getting ready for Christmas. They found time to spend a few moments in this office, where the junior member of that branch of the Hess family became very much interested in the "art preservative."

J. J. Garbick, whose farm home is not so far out of Belleville that he is almost as much a resident of the town as of Spring township, dropped in Tuesday to score on us for a dollar. Mr. Garbick has always been one of our advance men and it was only natural that he should take advantage of the low rate.

Frank O. Brown, of Boalsburg, was in town on Saturday, having come down to attend to some business for his father, B. F. Brown Esq. Frank is the only son in the family and now that his venerable father has practically let go the reins he has charge of their fine farm and is thoroughly capable of managing it well.

Mrs. Benjamin Stamm with her son Calvin E. were in town doing some Christmas shopping on Monday. Mrs. Stamm is from Boalsburg and the illness of her husband has made it necessary for her to look after much of the business for the family. Mr. Stamm, we are sorry to say, has been suffering for some time with enlargement of the liver.

James Garner Esq., of Hubsburg, one of the foremost farmers and stock raisers of Nittany valley, spent Monday in town looking after his extensive business interests and like the good business man that he is he dropped into the WATCHMAN office to take advantage of our one dollar rate offer to both old and new subscribers. Mr. Garner has always made a practice of keeping us in his debt.

This reduced price feature of the WATCHMAN seems to be making cheap men out of all our old friends. Even Dr. M. A. Kirk, who is one of the substantial property holders in the West ward, has voluntarily dropped from a \$2 to a \$1 man. It's business though and we can't blame him for doing so. He's a good business man, else he wouldn't be.

Charles Wilson, one of the successful farmers of the upper end of Bald Eagle valley, came down from his home at Fulton, on Tuesday, to look after some business that needed his attention here. People who have the idea that they can't raise anything but buckwheat or mullein in Bald Eagle need but to visit Mr. Wilson's well kept place to experience a change of mind. He has been a successful farmer because he farms well and conducts it on business principles, just as any other business is conducted.

Mr. William Harper, of Thomas street, took last week off and spent it among his many friends in Pennsylvania. He left here Monday and got so deep in buttering, big dinners, and sleigh riding that he never got back until Thursday, then he came as reluctantly as one would leave a mountain of pay dirt in the Klondike. He brought good news with him, too, for he says that his brother Simon, whose condition was so precarious some time ago, is vastly improved and gives every encouragement of permanent recovery.

D. H. Batorf, of Lemont, was in town 6:40 Tuesday, having started from home with a smooth mare and a sleigh. Before he had gone very far he found out that neither one would work, so he returned and got a rough horse and a buggy. While here Mr. Batorf gave us a new wrinkle to add to our goose bone, rag weed, enterpillar weather signs. He predicts lots of cold weather because he says an old saying has it that we always have a week of cold weather for every day that snow falls to the limbs of trees and some of last Saturday's fall is still sticking fast to the trees up his way.

Mr. E. B. Peters, of Oak Hill, was in town on Friday morning and was surprised to see that we had so little snow here. Over his way he said there was fine sleighing. In fact there is sleighing in nearly all parts of the county except Belleville. Such a state of affairs recalls an explanation we once heard as to why snow invariably laid several weeks longer in other places than it does here. An old Halfmoon resident once tried to make us believe that "Belleville is just that much closer to the bad place" than any other section of the county. We had never been cognizant of living in a modern Sodom or Gomorrah before, nor did we place any confidence in such an explanation, but certain it is that snow melts faster in Belleville, than it does in other parts of Centre county and it might be because this is such a hot town.

There was a trio of Pine Grove Mills sports in town on Monday, looking anxiously at the sky and wondering whether the snow was going to get too deep for them to get home on wheels. As we haven't heard of their being snow bound on the way we have taken for granted that J. W. Kepler Jr., Linn Musser and Newt Krebs are home by this time. For they constituted the party and, barring the politics of Mr. Musser, who is an inconvertible Republican, they are all right. All our great hunters and were of the opinion that the WATCHMAN bear and wild cat stories were about as good ones as they have seen for some time, if the accent is put on "story." Mr. Musser is a young man, but has killed more than a dozen deer in his time. Mr. Krebs has several deer and a bear on his gun list, while our friend Kepler has nothing larger than rabbits but he is a collector of whose hunting prowess he can well be proud. His grandfather was one of the greatest trappers this section has ever known and some of his skill has been passed down to the third generation, for the young man has trapped quite a number of foxes already this fall.

Mrs. Laura Hafer, of Linden Hall, formerly a resident of this place, has gone to Kansas to visit her brother.

S. H. Diehl returned from a tour of Clearfield county, on Wednesday night. He was over there selling sleds and was quite successful.

George T. Bush returned from Philadelphia Tuesday, where he had been laying in an additional supply of Christmas novelties and books for his store.

Mrs. George Brandon and her little daughter Winifred, of Carlisle, are in town on their annual visit to her parents and sisters. They are staying with Mrs. E. Rowe, of Spring street.

Protonotary and Mrs. W. F. Smith were in Easton to spend Christmas with Mrs. Gardner's mother and sister, Mrs. Lester Sheffer.

Mrs. Lydia McAlmarty, of Altoona, spent yesterday at the home of sheriff and Mrs. Cronister in this place. She went up to Buffalo-run last evening to spend a few days with friends there.

John A. Miller, Jr., is back on his old stamping ground at Axe Mann, having decided that "Peters' Mill" was not as fine a location for him as he thought it would be when he started over there some months ago.

Miss Mary Knox, one of the active and progressive women of Benner township, spent Monday in the stores in this place laying in some Christmas necessities and looking, with a woman's interest, at the many new fabrics that are shown for winter wear.

Samuel Noll, left his pleasant home on his farm above Pleasant Gap, last Friday, and came to town to spend the day. He wasn't just exactly following the crowd, but he finally landed at this office and is welcomed among the many readers of the WATCHMAN.

The Misses Linnie and Sallie Benner were called to Atlantic City, Saturday afternoon, by the sudden death of their brother Harvey's wife, who died there Saturday morning. Mrs. Benner's death is the second in the family in a week and her husband is so ill that he is not able to come to his brother Tom's funeral.

Mrs. A. B. Connor, of Chicago, Ill., is visiting her father Rev. J. P. Hughes, at the Academy. Mrs. Connor, better known to her friends here as Elizabeth Hughes, is on her way home from a visit of several months in Philadelphia and Baltimore. Her other sister, Mrs. Alexander, of Brooklyn, is expected here for Christmas.

Uncle Jimmy Waddle, who could be hauled over the Bald Eagle valley road blind-folded and call off every horse, barn, school house or fence corner as the train whirled past it, was in town on Wednesday and his visits always mean something. For years he has been conductor on that freight train that does business in the valley every day and it is rarely that he takes a day off from his little red office on wheels. For years he has been reading the WATCHMAN, too, but it has never been able to crack that hard Republican shell of his. Mrs. Waddle is the Democrat in the family and we have been trying to help her convert him ever since they were married, but it will soon have to be given up as a lost job.

Groceryman Hammon Sechler has so far recovered from an attack of rheumatism as to be able to get to his store again, by the aid of a carriage.

Fred M. Butts, youngest son of the late David M. Butts, of this place, is in the city hospital in Holyoke, Mass., recovering from serious injuries received while at work in the Crocker paper mills in that city. He was adjusting some belting when he was caught by the flying wheels and hurled about several times.

Business Notice.

Powers Shoe Co. have handsome leggings, slippers and footwear suitable for Xmas presents.

Skates will cut considerable ice pretty soon.

Buy a graphophone for Xmas present for the family. They are but \$19 and upwards at Bush's.

Many noted men are lost to sight after an election.

Cut prices on Holiday Goods at Bush's.

The pen that signs the treaty will be mightier than the sword.

Cameras and Photo supplies at Bush's.

Few Americans are twisting the lion's tail for exercise these days.

Good shoes cheap at Powers Shoe Co's.

Philadelphia Markets.

The following are the closing prices of the Philadelphia markets on Wednesday evening.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes Wheat, Corn, Flour, and other grain products.

Belleville Grain Market.

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Belleville Produce Markets.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes Potatoes, Eggs, Butter, and other produce.

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