

Democratic Watchman

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THINGS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTY

—Miss Anna Curtin is now one of the milliners in the Joseph store.

—Howard's corset band has been reorganized with eighteen members.

—The Fillmore Sunday school will picnic at Hunter's park to-morrow.

—The thermometer registered 100° in the shade in Bellefonte on Monday.

—The business men's picnic will be the next great event at Hecla park.

—Conrad Miller, of this place, has just completed the abutments for the new iron bridge at Sober.

—A new concrete pavement is being laid around the High school building. Col. Geo. A. Bayard has the contract.

—There were heavy rains in sections of Nittany and Sugar valleys and over about Potters Mills Monday evening.

—The potato crop is reported to be good in the vicinity of Fiedler, while complaints of a shortage come from Coburn.

—The town of Howard boasts of more building having been done there this summer than for a number of years previous.

—All the stores in Bellefonte will be closed next Thursday on account of the business men's picnic at Hecla park that day.

—Leo Stevens will make a balloon ascension and parachute drop at the business men's picnic at Hecla park next Thursday.

—Col. James F. Weaver, of Milesburg, was one of the orators at the annual reunion and harvest home basket picnic at Warriorsmark recently.

—C. M. Bower Esq., of this place, delivered the address at the picnic of the Reformed Sunday school of Romola on Saturday. The school realized \$85 during the day.

—Dr. T. C. Van Tries, having decided to resume the practice of medicine, has opened an office at his residence on South Spring street. He will attend to office business only.

—Harvest home will be celebrated in the Lutheran church next Sunday morning with appropriate services. The church will be decorated with the fruits of the earth and a sermon preached by the pastor.

—The Big Spring creamery company in this place has elected new officers as follows: President, C. T. Gerberich, to succeed F. W. Crider; treasurer, J. D. Shugert, re-elected; secretary, Francis Rhoads, to succeed H. H. Harshberger.

—The mountains near Romola were burning furiously up to last Sunday, when all the people in that vicinity turned out to fight fire. They worked all day Sunday and part of Monday, finally succeeding in stopping its further spread in that direction.

—The Bellefonte school board has been having troubles of its own lately. The matter of a secretary some time ago precipitated the first trouble and the contest over teachers, school books, etc. following so closely has gotten that ordinarily peaceful body into a regular kilkenney cat condition.

—The constables of Spring and Benner townships have been having plenty of work lately with the forest fires. Both officials have had gangs of men on Muncy mountains for some days fighting the flames that frequently run down the slopes and threaten nearby farm buildings.

—The Valley Sabbath school, situated near Morris Station on the Bellefonte Central railroad, will hold a lawn festival on Saturday evening, Aug. 26th, on the school ground. The proceeds are for the benefit of the school. The public is cordially invited.

—Former prothonotary Bill Smith, not satisfied with the little patch on the outskirts of Millheim that he thought would be large enough to hold him the rest of his days, has become owner of the George Krape farm, in Gregg township. He paid at the rate of \$46 an acre for 196 acres.

—Mr. and Mrs. James R. Hughes will be at home to their friends after Tuesday, September 5th, at the Academy. Since their marriage on July 12th they have been at Cape May, N. J., enjoying a number of social festivities given in their honor and having a gay, good time.

—On page 1 of this issue we publish a few verses from the pen of one who is so well known to WATCHMAN readers that it will be a genuine pleasure for them to hear from him thus indirectly. For years the condition of Joe W. Furey, our old associate of the days gone by, has been such as to incapacitate him for active newspaper work. The poetry is enough to show that Joe has not forgotten all yet.

—Millheim residents have petitioned their council to again submit to a vote the question of bonding the borough for the purpose of installing a water plant. Council has granted the petition and it will be voted on it November. It seems strange that such a large and otherwise well regulated town should not have a public water supply and it is likely that the proposition will carry at the next election, as the people surely can stand in the way of their own progress no longer down there.

COUNCIL STILL PLAYS THE SELFISH PART.—Mr. Keller, member from the North ward, was the only absentee at council meeting on Monday night when that body convened.

After the ordinary routine of opening the business was taken up as follows: Hamilton Sechler presented a petition on the part of the residents of Bush Addition praying that the borough water pipes be extended out to them. Geo. Bush was present and urged council to favorable action on the matter. It was referred to the solicitor to investigate and determine if such an extension of the pipes would be legal. Col. Reynolds was present and thanked council for the crossing recently laid between his home and that of Mrs. Blanchard on Linn street. New crossings were directed to be laid between the Aiken and McBride corners on Bishop street and between the McCafferty and Wm. Burnside properties on North Spring street. The viewers on the bridge over Logan's branch at Willowbank street presented a report condemning the structure and it will be appealed to court at once to build a new one.

This concluded the minor business then the water question was taken up again.

Col. W. Fred Reynolds, Joseph L. Montgomery and Geo. R. Meek appeared before council with a view to having the charge of 15cts per barrel for water from the Bellefonte pipes lifted. At the last meeting of council it was decided to charge 15cts per barrel to farmers who are forced to haul water from this place owing to the fact that cisterns, wells, springs and small streams have all gone dry in some localities, owing to the drought. This action on the part of council seemed to be so greatly prejudicial to the welfare of the town and out of all keeping with the charity that we ought to extend to those in distress that the WATCHMAN took the matter up and urged the citizens of the town to demand a revocation of the order. Col. Reynolds and Mr. Montgomery responded to the call and exerted their best efforts to remove the blot that must ever rest upon Bellefonte's fair name through this sordid action.

After the matter was presented to council Mr. Shaffer moved that water be given free to farmers during the present drought. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wetzel, but was lost by a vote of 5 to 3. Mr. Gherity having voted with Shaffer and Wetzel for it.

After this proposition was lost a motion to reduce the charge to 5 cts. per barrel was made and carried; Messrs. Wetzel, Shaffer and Gherity having voted against it.

While this was not what the gentlemen who were making the appeal expected it was a step in the right direction, at least, though it would have been far more to the credit of the town had all charges been removed.

The members who voted in favor of a reduction to 5cts per barrel justify their action by the assertion that that sum just about covers the pumping and pipe expense; but such a statement shows that they are not as conversant with municipal affairs as they should be to take intelligent action on a question of such import. According to the statement of Supt. Rine the daily consumption of water in Bellefonte is 1,300,000 gallons. In one year this would amount to 929,000 barrels. The total tax levy for the support of the entire water department for this year is \$4,989.00, from which any school boy can figure out that the actual cost per barrel of water is only a trifle more than half a cent. When council offered to sell water for 15cts per barrel 14cets would have been profit. Now that body magnanimously (?) reduces the price to 5cts and wants 4cets profit off a lot of distressed people.

Gentlemen, your action was without warrant either of fair business methods or humanity. Contrast Bellefonte's selfishness, with a boon that Nature has given her so unstintingly, with that of Philadelphia. On Tuesday the U. S. S. Panther left that port with a cargo of provisions worth \$50,000. It was Philadelphia's spontaneous charity to the storm wrecked people of Puerto Rico—people not of the same race or intelligence and living too remote for any personal friendships to have actuated it. It was the quick helping hand that that great warm hearty city has reached out to all parts of the world in the hope of relieving the stricken. What has Bellefonte done on the first real opportunity she has ever had to show a kindness to the very neighbors at her doors?

It is not the amount that is charged for the water, but the principle underlying the charge.

Of course farmers can come here and dip in the over flow at the spring, free of charge, but to do that they must employ two men to haul—one to dip and one to pour. We can save them the expense of employing a second man, we can save them time by permitting them to draw from the pipes and we can show the public that we are not the sordid people that this action would proclaim us. Let us do it. Let the citizens of the town demand that council rescind every farthing of charge and then let us invite all those in need to come here and take all they can use.

Bills were approved and ordered paid as follows: Jno. H. Meese, 2 loads sand..... \$ 2 50 Mill Hill brick works, bricks..... 30 54 Ardell Lumber Co., lumber..... 20 00 Bellefonte Fuel & Supply Co..... 3 25 McCalmont & Co., wagon tongue..... 7 70 Street pay roll..... 53 80 Police pay roll..... 35 00 Joel Johnson, janitor services..... 4 00 Water pay roll..... 73 50 Josh Folk, killing dog..... 1 00 Bellefonte Fuel & Supply Co., coal..... 33 76 Ardell Lumber Co..... 2 80

—There are several cases of diphtheria in Millheim.

—The Ebby distillery at Woodward is to be remodeled before the winter sets in.

—The water in the mill dam at Wolfe's Store is so low that grinding can be done only a few hours each day.

—Blair county commissioners have decided to enforce the law compelling prisoners to labor on public works.

—There were great crowds at the Sugar valley camp meeting on Sunday. Bishop Esber, of Chicago, was the principal drawing card.

—Last Friday Mrs. Lowery Rodgers, of Nittany, fell from the loft of her barn to the floor beneath; breaking an arm and dislocating her shoulder.

—Cholera morbus caused the death of Mrs. Henry W. Schwenk, of Mill Hill, on Saturday evening. She was 76 years old and is survived by five sons.

—Hon. W. K. Alexander, A. C. Musser, D. L. Zerby, J. R. Schleiffer and G. S. Frank constitute the new board of health elected at the last meeting of the Millheim council.

—While making a ditch on the Mary Ann Kreamer farm, near Wolfe's Store, a few days ago, E. R. Wolf, uncovered an old silver coin bearing the date of 1872. It was eighteen inches in the ground.

—There were heavy enough showers in the vicinity of Millheim on Monday afternoon to put out the mountain fires that had been raging thereabouts for a week, but the rain was too late to do any good to the corn.

—Nearly all the stores in Centre county will be closed next Thursday, so that employers and employees can take the day off for enjoyment at Hecla park. Excursion tickets will be sold on all railroads that day.

—George Roop, of Pottersdale, Clearfield county, was brought to Bellefonte and put in jail Friday morning; charged with having stolen Wm. Warner's bicycle while the latter was inside Adam Mayer's store, in Philipsburg, transacting business. Roop later sold the wheel to John G. Hoffman at Karthaus. He was caught at Lilly Station, Cambria county.

—Rev. A. S. Baldwin, pastor of the Clearfield Methodist church, will occupy Dr. Stephen's pulpit on Sunday morning and evening. The latter returned from the Newton Hamilton camp-meeting, on Tuesday morning, to officiate at the funeral of Miss Anna Green and then went on over to Clearfield to visit his son and former congregation in that place, to which he will preach during Mr. Baldwin's stay with us.

—During a thunder storm on Monday afternoon the barn and dwelling house of John H. Feidler, near Logantown, were destroyed by fire. The barn caught first, then the flames spread to the house, burning a pig and some lumber that was piled up for a new dwelling. Most of the contents of both house and barn were saved. The origin of the fire is a mystery, as the barn is not thought to have been struck by lightning.

—There was a slight rainfall in this place Monday night at 10 o'clock. There must have been thirty or forty drops in the shower. That doesn't seem like much, but it is more than had fallen for a long time previous. That afternoon heavy black clouds came rolling in from the west until it looked as if a rain storm was about to break over the town. The storm broke, but it was all wind. Not a drop of water fell to quench the parched earth hereabouts.

—Adam Shreckengast's family in Millheim has been quarantined for some time on account of diphtheria. Last Friday, Mable, the bright six year old daughter fell a victim to the disease and owing to the malignant nature of the trouble the body was buried by the undertaker next morning. William R. Weiser is the special officer in charge and his report is to the effect that the other affected ones are getting well as rapidly as could be hoped for.

—At a meeting of the citizens of Philipsburg on Saturday night it was decided to give a fitting reception to Will Hirlinger when he arrives in that place after participating in the reception to the 10th Reg. in western Pennsylvania. He was with the regiment to Manila, having enlisted at Greensburg, where he was visiting at the time there was a call for recruits for the company from that place. F. K. Lukenbach, cashier of the Philipsburg National bank, was chosen one of the committee to go to Pittsburgh to escort the soldier home.

—A. C. Thompson and Miss Bertha Denning, of Philipsburg, were married on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Rev. W. O. Wright, the Presbyterian minister in Milesburg. The groom is well known in the educational and political circles of the county, being principal of the schools at Snow Shoe and having aspired to legislative honors. His bride is one of Philipsburg's cleverest young women, she is very popular in that place and is splendidly fitted to fill with grace the new duties she has assumed. While the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Thompson was a surprise to their friends the union is none the less admirable and all join in the hearty congratulations we extend.

THE LOGAN PICNIC.—No one has been able to discover what those threatening looking clouds that hovered over this section all day Wednesday were for. There certainly would have been no complaint from any source had they turned on the water that they seemed freighted with, but when they disappeared with having done nothing but frighten a lot of people into staying away from the Logan picnic at Hunter's park that day, there was ample reason for anger, both among the Logans and those who were deceived.

The picnic was arranged in the most approved fashion and while there was a fair crowd there, far more than for a number of years, yet there wasn't half as many as the trouble and worryment of the firemen had prepared for. They enjoyed it immensely and those who were with them shared in the good time.

On Tuesday night the company, headed by that past master of trumpeting, R. A. Beck, gave a street parade that was big and bright enough to make an entire Fourth of July pageant in towns like Lock Haven or Tyrone. The Colville band furnished the music and the streets over which the line of march extended were crowded with cheering people.

At the park the entertaining program was carried out as advertised, but all of the other events were glimmed by the great ball game between the fats and leas. The people who thought the big 6ft., 200lb. fellows, who look so fine when on parade, couldn't play ball took another guess soon after the game opened and they kept sneering throughout it all and it is a guess yet as to which side won, for darkness fell over the field and put an end to the battle with the score 2 to 2. The picnickers spent the evening in dancing and plunging on games on the midway, but all returned happy and in good order on the mid-night train.

The principal of "the more merrier" did not obtain on Wednesday. The Logans were ready to give thousands a good time, but when the thousands failed to materialize the boys were not one bit downcast; they simply had as good a time as was possible and that satisfied them. The net proceeds of the company will be about \$155.00, which is more than they have made for eight years.

A REGULAR PRAIRIE FIRE THREATENS BELLEFONTE.—For the first time in its history Bellefonte has had a taste of what it means to have to fight prairie fires and the citizens of the town have realized the awful terror that is pictured in the madly rushing, stampeded cattle that artists invariably send before the flames that they paint as sweeping the great plains of the West.

The drought that has continued almost without a drop of rainfall since July 3rd has caused vegetation to wither and die until the hills about the town are brown and dusty. Grass and small weeds are practically burned up until the ground is nothing more than a tinder bed. On Tuesday, shortly after noon, a shifting engine was shunting cars along the new extension of the C. R. R. of Pa. to the Bellefonte furnace when a spark from the engine set fire to the wheat stubble field on that portion of Half-moon hill. A strong north west wind was blowing at the time and the flames ran before it like lightning. Actually you can have no idea of the rapidity with which the fire swept along. With a line of flame almost as wide as the field, it leaped before the wind far faster than any horse could have run and came sweeping down over the hill into the back yards of the homes along north Thomas street. Great clouds of smoke were rolling up and people began to get frightened so that an alarm of fire was sent in and the companies turned out to stop the further progress of the flames at places where the garden hose of the residents would not reach.

It was Bellefonte's first experience of the sort and while it was not extremely dangerous, yet it was enough to arouse some fear and a full appreciation of the terror of a real prairie fire.

RUSH TOWNSHIP WILL NOT BE DIVIDED.—Ever since the November term of court, 1898, the matter of dividing Rush township has been fitfully agitated by some of the residents of that section. It started with a petition for the creation of a commission to pass upon the advisability of a partition. The commission was appointed and made a favorable report. The court acted upon it and ordered the county commissioners to afford an opportunity to the citizens of Rush township to record their wishes by vote by putting "for or against division" on the election tickets at the following election. It was done and the "Division" people carried their project by a small majority. An irregularity in the form of the ballots was discovered by the "antis," however, and they carried an appeal to the August argument court to have the election declared null and void. The court has handed down a ruling in favor of the "antis" and now the township can not be divided unless the whole procedure is gone over again in a more legal manner.

BUSINESS MEN'S PICNIC PRIVILEGES.—Bids for the various stand privileges at Hecla park, August 31st, amount of the business men's picnic will be received by the passenger department of the Central R. R. of Pa., Bellefonte, on or before Aug. 25th. Sale will be to the highest responsible bidder, residents of and doing business in Clutter or Centre counties, the management, however, reserving the right to reject any and all bids. Restaurant, ice cream, fruit and confections, soft drinks, cigars and tobacco, photography, dancing pavilion and boats.

News Purely Personal

—Dr. and Mrs. George F. Harris returned, Saturday evening, from a two week's rest at Cape May.

—Mrs. Frank Walz, of east Bishop street, was in Lock Haven on Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Nora Ryan.

—Frank Woomer and Jasper Stover, two of the younger gallants in the town, spent Sunday with friends in Altoona.

—Paul Sheffer, of the firm of Sheffer & Sons grocers, left for a pleasure trip to Scranton and vicinity on Wednesday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Lucas, with their children, are down from Altoona for a few days' visit with David Barlett on north Thomas street.

—James Reilly, head cutter at the Bellefonte glass works, has returned from Muncie, Ind., where he spent part of his vacation.

—Will Dorworth, of Steelton, where he is in the employ of the Penna. Steel Co., is home for a few days on account of the illness of his mother.

—Mr. and Mrs. James Harris, of north Spring street, left for Allenhurst, a resort on the Jersey coast, on Tuesday afternoon. They expect to be gone two weeks.

—Mrs. N. K. Dare returned to her home in Philadelphia Wednesday morning after a two week's visit with her daughter, Mrs. Andrew Brockerhoff, in this place.

—John N. Lane, of east Linn street, went East on Wednesday afternoon. We don't know where John calls "East," but "East" is where he said he was going and he took an east bound train to get there.

—Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hesel, of Spring Creek, were passengers on the 103 train next Tuesday afternoon. They were on their way to Altoona to spend a few days at Mrs. Hesel's former home in that place.

—Clarence and Tom Hamilton, both Bellefonte boys who are getting along fine in the great borough of Bronx, are home for a summer vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Hamilton, of east Howard street.

—Mrs. George Hoffer, with her daughter Miss Emma Hoffer, were arrivals in town Saturday afternoon to visit at the home of Capt. A. C. Mingle, on east High street. Mrs. Hoffer is Mrs. Mingle's mother.

—After a visit of several days with his aunts in this place Bond Valentine left for Atlantic City, on Saturday evening. He is with the U. G. I. in Philadelphia, but intended taking a few days at the Shore before going back to his work.

—William S. Furst Esq., of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with his parents in this place. He was on his way back to his legal duties in the city after ten days' delightful outing at Junata Crossing, a rustic resort near Bedford on the Raystown branch of the Junata.

—W. E. Tyson, of Vall, spent Tuesday night and Wednesday in town and of course that meant that a lot of the old minstrel boys would get together to sing for him and be sung to. "Billy's" advent always marks a revival of our flagging mid-night concerts and the pity is that he is not with us always.

—Hon. Wm. A. Murray, of Boalsburg, was in town Monday night, a rather unusual occurrence for a man who stays as close to home as he does, but Mr. Murray is a member of the board of survey on the Centre and Kishacoquillas rumples abandonment and was here to attend a meeting on Monday.

—Tom and Charles Morris, of Tyrone, entertained a party of friends at the Nittany country club over Saturday and Sunday. They were Mrs. Charles Morris, Tyrone; Miss Annie Stewart, Pittsburg; Miss Margery Knowles, Richmond, Va., and Miss Winifred Meek, Bellefonte, with the hosts and "Paddy" Stevenson, of Tyrone, and Robert Morris, of this place.

—Mr. Edward A. Uffington Valentine, poet, literature and critic, is here on a visit to his aunt, Mrs. B. V. Pugh, on Curtin street. He is the youngest son of A. S. Valentine, formerly of this place, but who has been living in Atlantic City for a number of years. Having sold their Atlantic City home quite recently it is possible that they will return to Bellefonte.

—G. H. Leyman and J. B. Sinker, two of the active Democrats of Boggs township, were in town on Friday, and while here reported the political situation very quiet out in their territory, though they by no means intended to imply that there won't be a bustle when the proper time comes. Both of them are enthusiastic Democrats and know what it means to work in a precinct where they have long odds to overcome.

—Chas. W. Burkett, who was graduated from The Pennsylvania State College with the class of '95 and is now general inspector of the Southern Bell telephone and telegraph company, with headquarters at Atlanta, Ga., was in town for awhile on Tuesday, the guest of his college chum J. Tomner Harris. He is one of the men who is an every day disclaimer of the contention that college men are not fitted for anything when they are graduated.

—Jas. B. Noll and his son Harry Lovell were in town at noon on Wednesday; father Noll having brought his youngest up from the Morris pike kilns to visit the confectioners during the noon hour. Mr. Noll is a fireman down there, and has been for years, and Harry just came to spend the day with his father while at work. What, with a big time playing about the kilns, a dinner over at his uncle Emanuel's and two fistfuls of candy, more could the child have wished for to make him supremely happy.

—Former county treasurer John Q. Miles was in town for a few hours on Monday afternoon to get a line on politics and attend to a little business. He said it was so dry up the Bald Eagle that the spring in his cellar, which he has never known to have failed before, has gone punk dry. According to his version of their condition about the only way they have of finding relief from the terrible drought is by going digging for eels in Bald Eagle creek. The last night of sport they had yielded them forty-seven of the anguilla tenuirostris.

—Pat McDonald, of Unionville, was in town on Tuesday showing Bellefonte off to his brother-in-law Hon. James Dugan, of Northampton county, who has been up at Unionville with Mrs. Dugan since Monday evening. The visitors are from New Bethlehem, where Mr. Dugan is in the mercantile business and finds time besides to mix up in politics. He has no apologies to make for being one of the Quay faction over there and was a member of the last Legislature, so you will see he is quite a figure in Northampton. Pat is such an uncompromising Democrat that they lock horns quite often, but it is always for fun and helps to make the visit of the Dugans delightful.

—Mr. and Mrs. Hezekiah Hoy left for the West on Friday afternoon for quite an extended visit among their children. Mr. Hoy has just finished harvesting his crops at his farm just out of town and expects to have a pleasant time among his daughters who are married and living in different parts of the country. Their first stop will be made at Rev. Wagner's at Glasco; then they will journey on to Grant Pifer's home at Wilkingsburg and after visiting there for a while they will go out to Prospect, Ohio, where they will spend some time with Dr. A. Shney, who is married to another of the Hoy girls. It is quite probable that Mr. Hoy will go on out to Freeport, Ill., to see some of his friends and take a look around. They are traveling just the way people ought to travel. They have nothing to hurry them, as the farm is in good hands while they are gone, and they intend taking their time and enjoying every moment of the trip.

—Dr. J. Y. Dale, of Lemont, spent a few hours in town yesterday.

—John M. Blanchard Esq., was an arrival home from abroad yesterday morning. He had taken a sea voyage for his health.

—Miss De Velasco, New York city, and Mrs. Mary J. Davis and daughter, of Milford, Del., are among the many visitors who are here for a short stay. They are registered at the Bush house.

—William Toner, of Philadelphia, formerly of this place, had been visiting his uncle William Muser and other relatives in Millheim, until yesterday when he came up here to spend a few days.

—Mrs. Harvey Yarrington and her little son Greyson, who have been the guests of her mother, Mrs. Margaret Alexander, of Thomas street, for the past six weeks, left for their home in Richmond, Va., on Wednesday evening.

—Mrs. William B. Dix, of Dayton, O., is in town visiting her sister, Mrs. L. T. Munson, and her brother J. W. Gephart Esq. She had not expected to come home this summer but the serious illness of her father changed her plans and she is here now for one week.

—Mrs. Ellen Shoemaker and Mrs. Scrawendyke returned, Wednesday, from a six weeks' stay at Clifton Springs sanitarium. Mrs. Scrawendyke's home is now in Baltimore, Md., her native place, but she will remain here for a month or two with Mrs. Shoemaker and the Misses Collins.

—Mrs. Nathan Reesman and her sister, Miss Fannie Baum, left for their home in Princeton, Ind., last Friday. Their visit here this year saved of a family reunion, as the Baum household on Bishop street fairly overflowed with guests during their stay and Miss Henrietta Hessel, of Washington Court House, O., the first grand child of the family, was here to be petted and admired.

—R. M. Magee, of Philadelphia, who keeps the Brooklyn Mutual Life Insurance company, in this State, constantly before the public and who is continually on the alert about its affairs arrived in town Monday and has spent the week shaking hands with friends and talking shop. Mrs. Magee with Forest and Boyd are at Atlantic City, where they have been the entire summer at the Cedarcroft on Michigan avenue.

—William Deitz, of Jacksonville, spent Saturday in this place attending to a little business that needed looking after before the fall school term opens. He is one of the old stand by teachers down that way, in fact, he is rated as one of the best in the county, and this fall will have charge of the Junction school in Walker township. Mr. Deitz has his home in Jacksonville, where he spends his vacations with his family or tries his hand at pitching hay and grain on his father's farm near Jay, just as he is inclined.

LOCK HAVEN'S BAND WINS.—There were about seven hundred people at the K. G. E. picnic and band contest at Hecla park yesterday, four hundred and ninety of the number having gone down from here.

Three bands entered the contest as follows: Good Templar, of Lock Haven; State College band, and the Coleville band. Editor Anstadt, of the *Watchman*, of New York, was the judge and gave the following grades after the bands had each played: Lock Haven, 83; State College, 79; Coleville, 69. The first prize was \$35, the second was \$20. No prize was given to the third place. All the hands played the overture *Opera Bouffe*.

The day was very enjoyably spent by those who were there and castle 222, K. G. E. deserves great credit for the manner in which the picnic was conducted.

FOR W. C. T. U. WORKERS.—The 10th annual county convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held Monday afternoon and Tuesday, Sept. 11th and 12th, in the W. C. T. U. rooms, Bellefonte. Miss Jessie Ackerman, who has spoken in every land and organized societies in many of them, will speak on Monday evening and be present at Tuesday morning's session.

White ribboners and all friends of the cause of temperance in the county are cordially invited. Entertainment will be provided if notified in time. Address Mrs. J. P. HARRIS, Pres.

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, Oats, Rye Flour, and Straw.

Bellefonte Grain Market

Corrected weekly by the PRINCE MILLING CO. The following are the quotations up to six o'clock, Thursday evening, when our paper goes press:

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes Red Wheat, White Wheat, Corn, Oats, Rye Flour, and Buckwheat.

Bellefonte Produce Markets

Corrected weekly by Sechler & Co. Postages per bushel newly..... 50 Onions..... 50 Eggs, per dozen..... 75 Lard, per pound..... 15 Country Shoulders..... 6 Hams..... 10 Tallow, per pound..... 3 Butter, per pound..... 20

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