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They Couldn't Expect Much.

The Boer Commissioners, who have come to this country with the object of securing some assistance for the two South African Republics, were in Philadelphia this week while the Republican Convention was in full blast. It is hardly probable that they expect to receive any substantial recognition from the leaders who manage that political assemblage. President McKIN-LEY let them understand how much Republican sympathy they could expect when, on the occasion of their visit to him, he evaded the subject which they wanted to talk about by taking them to the back portico of the White House and pointing out the beauties of the surrounding scenery.

When the head of the Republican party gave them so discouraging a reception they could not expect that a convention of Republican politicans would take a livelier interest in the South African farmers fighting for the right to own their country. A perfunctory reference in the platform to their conflict with an arrogant and overpowering enemy was about as much as they could hope for. MARK HANNA. who ran the convention, could see but little use in wasting words on two little Republics struggling for a matter of such small consequence as their independence, and a convention, whose chief concern was the promotion of capitalistic interests and the advancement of the money power, Britain.

cowpecked out of all ambition to be anything more than a rival of the pasture lands of the mountains among which it nestles. But one of the old Indians remains unmarried, and he sulks in his tent while the cows hold high carnival on the streets where once the braves, besmeared with red paint, made it too hideous for the stood knee deep in the waters of the Juniata and languidly lashed the flies with their tails while they looked wistfully toward Tyrone and wondered why there was so little demand for their mild, sweet milk. Things have changed. The Indians have gone, HARRY BROOKS talks politics no longer, CLAYT POORMAN is rolling tohie for the people to smoke up when the factory stacks refuse to belch any more forth. week to take his grandfather and ED. KILL-MUN to a dog show, JIM WATT is forced to mix up in Centre county politics for excitement enough to subsist on and the leading citizen starts on a wedding tour leaving such an unimportant little thing as his pocket book behind. Such are the changes in Tyrone, the fair town where once the rattle of the sabres of Capt. JONES' were arriving daily. Nothing is left now but the water works and the cows, not even wasn't going to build.

Dr. George Wickes Writes of the isthmian Canal.

The Young New York Surgeon, Well Known in Bellefonte, Writes of His Work With the Isthmian Canal Commission .-- Contrasts His Shooting Eye There With His Aimless Nerve While Shooting Quail on the Nittany Preserve Last Fall.-An Interesting Discovery that May Settle the Canal Question and Redound to the Commission's Glory.

For years public attention has been directed to the projected canal which is to unite the Pacific and Atlantic oceans. In February Dr. George F. Wickes, of New York who is known to many people of Bellefonte, accompanied as surgeon, the Isthmian Canal Commission to South America, where he has been ever since. The following letter recently received from him is so full of interest that we defy his indignation-since it is removed thousands of miles-thinking our readers will be glad to know something of the recent work done in connection with the commission.

Lasardi, Caledonia Bay, May 21st, 1900.

"Much has been happening lately but somehow I am loath to tell it. In the first place things are so lively and varied in this part of the world that one needs to draw leader a mere pigmy in the distance. only on truth and you cannot exaggerate if you try. But another trouble appears platform on which he stood jutted out like ahead when I think of G--'s knowing smile when it gradually breaks in on his mind Below him and flanking the stage was an that all my adventures here have already been published in Deadwood Dick and other embankment thronged with the representales so popular in youth. But there is no telling anything except consecutively, so I tatives of the press of the country. may as well storm his evil grin and begin. We have just returned from a six weeks' shields, the whole scheme of the elaborate canal-pro-pecting expedition which was so far away that our communication was entirecanal-pro-pecting expedition which was so far away that our communication was entire-ly cut off during all that time. We took rations for one month and made them last all of the American flag. About him were through and what did not happen to us is not printed in the works of popular five-cent the working leaders of his party and be fiction. I have furnished food for tens of billions of insects and have come up smiling hind, among the dignitaries and honored guests of the convention, were white-haired at every meal. We were water-soaked all day and night from continually wading men who had been present at the party's rivers. When we found sunshine, which is not often, as the foilage is so dense, we birth in this city alm

dried out and gradually baked. The mountains were so steep that we crawled up one side and slid down the other at the expense, first of our clothing and later our epidermis. up to the routine of organization. We certainly all look like tattooed men. At times we were so far from camp as to make ator Wolcott, of Colorado, was made temthe extra effort of returning for only a night's rest and food impracticable and would sleep all night, wet and hungry, and go at it again in the morning as hard as ever. But Hanna spoke also, in a school boy style, that nightmare is finished and we have sailed away from our base, which was Carreto fort of the week. His was a grandiloand come up here. Dear, old Camp Carreto. I shall never forget its beauties! A glorious quent talk in which he gave McKinley little bay, almost mountain locked, whose waters, ever true to the fickle climate, changed praise for everything from the heat of the colors always to suit its varied moods. Sandy, palm-lined shores, coral reefs and islands and quaint little Indian huts all along the edges! Born in the mountains with the nature of a foregone conclusion, so that an inherent love of the sea how could I ever leave the place. Well, now listen, I'd there was lacking that excitement engenrather be in Baxter, Hester or Mott streets, any old place dirty as time, so long as it in- nominees would be. It was McKinley, of cluded the one thing that Carreto lacked -a short cut for home and a familiar face. It course, from the first, but the vice Presiwas down there in a quiet little ravine back of the sea banks that I came near going all dent was in doubt. As soon as it became known that the administration favored at one meal. I inadvertently trespassed into the domain of the king of all the Isthmian would naturally take but scant interest in boa-constrictors and as I saw him first I didn't become his free lunch. He is dead now, the Boers maintaining their nationality as thanks to my Colt's, and I won't glory over the slain from excessive modesty. I really against the plutocratic empire of Great shot well that day and I wished G--could have been there, up a tree or somewhere safe out of harm's way. The snake and I were both dangerous just about then. We

have always snakes, scorpions and tarantulas in our camp and some of the former were -Poor Tyrone, the land preached at very large and poisonous but my boa made them look like fishing worms. There was by HORACE LINCOLN JACOBS, the soil another occasion when I wished for G--'s approving glances, for since that quail shootmade famous by those Heavenly Twins ing affair last fall he has not regarded my gun manipulations very generously and, in velt as McKinley's running mate. DANNY WOOD and FISK CONRAD, is being fact, has even stooped to the publishing of scurrilous articles in the WATCHMAN about the small number of birds we brought home and the large amount of ammunition that went with us and did not return. Well, I shot a pelican on the wing with a Winchester rifle! I wish he could have seen it and also observed the marked contrast with which the Columbian jackers carried out my orders in point of celerity to what, they had ormerly done! * * * *

Lasardi is noted for several things; first there are ten thousand islands and each of these but one is inhabited by thirty octillion over-grown, giant mosquitoes, each armed and a bitter pill for the President. sad eyed bovines, which, in those days, with an armor piercing bill. The other island is covered with palm trees and inhabited by a large tribe of unriendly Indians. For these reasons it is called the "Isle of no enthusiam to speak of during the entire Pines." Further down is the "Isle of Gold," called so merely out of sentiment, as no bullion ever came out of it. Lasardi is also interesting to us, as the final round up of all the parties of the expedition, the work of surveying the Isthmus for future canal routes being practically finished. We are gradually becoming a village, as parties are coming in every day and more tents are required for them. The Scorpion is here to e almost everyone back on the home trail on the twenty fifth.

IT IS MCKINLEY AND ROOSEVELT. THE MONUMENT SITE IS LOCATED .-

The Republican National Convention Names a Presidential Ticket on a Platform That is Both Evasive and Decentive. Not and Issue Met Squarely-Han na, the Big Boss, Knuckles Before Platt and Quay.

PHILADELPHIA, June the 19.-Chairman Hanna, with a rabbit's foot suspended from a miniature of McKinley in the lapel ot his coat, surveyed an imposing spectacle when he called the twelth Republican national convention to order in the spacions Export Exposition building, in West Philadelphia, at 12:35 Tuesday. In the valley below him were crowded 1,800 delegates and alternates and stretching away to the four corners of the immense hall were endless vistas of people, rising in terraced seats

He looked into the faces of to the walls. fully 15,000 men and women. Op posite, in a broad gallery, were massed a hundred musiciaus, their a huge rock into an ocean of humanity. was a riot of flags, bunting, eagles and

nost a half century ago I was not a riotous convention. All of the first day's session was given

Sentropics to the ice of the polar regions. Everything about the convention was in

dered by an uncertainty as to who the either Secretary of the Navy Long, of Massachusetts; Bartlett Tripp, of South Dakota, or Dolliver, or Fairbanks, as against "Rough Rider" Governor Teddy Roosevelt, of New York bosses Platt and Quay took up the fight for Roosevelt and made it so hot for Hanna and McKinley that they were forced to deny having had any preference in the fight, though it hasbeen an open secret for months that both of them were opposed to Roose-

On Wednesday more speeches were made and the most shambling, oratorically strong and governmentally weak platform ever framed by any party was adopted. We will publish it in detail later.

Yesterday the nominations were made. President McKinley was named by acclamation and it was followed by the naming of Roosevelt, for Vice President. The lat-

ter was a signal victory for Platt and Quay Those who returned from Philadelphia last evening state that there was absolutely

Announcement for the 20th Century.

I see it on every hand, that Christian people in all parts of the world, are catching the spirit of the 20th century, in a state expectancy of even "greater

location of the monument to be erected in sailors :

> To the President and Members of the Centre Memorial Association :

The undersigned, a committee appointed y authority of your organization, for the purpose of locating the site of the monument be erected to the memory of the soldiers ho fought in the War of the Rebellion and the late Andrew G. Curtin, War Governor of ennsylvania, beg leave to report :

First. The committee met on Monday, June the 18th, at two o'clock in the afternoon. Harry Keller Esq., was elected retary.

After deliberation, the committee Second. proceeded to examine the various sites sug-gested as suitable for the location of the monument and after consulting with citizens of Centre county and borough of Bellefonte, adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, that the plan or plot of the piece of ground upon which the monument is to be erected be in the form or shape of a "Keystone," and that it be located on the Diamond west of the crossing from the First National bank to the Brockerhoff house.

Third. On motion duly seconded. Mr. S. Kline Woodring, son of ex-sheriff Woodring was invited to prepare a draft and plan setting forth the site selected and its environments.

Fourth. On motion duly seconded, C. M. Bower Esq., D. F. Fortney Esq., and Hon. Wm. C. Heinle were appointed a committee to prepare an ordinance to be submitted to the borough council at its next meeting, with the request that the ground selected be dedicated by the town authorities for the purpose afor

esaid.	
Respec	tfully submitted.
mand	D. H. HASTINGS, Ch.
	JOHN I. CURTIN,
	D. F. FORTNEY,
	C. T. GERBERICH.
	S. H. WILLIAMS,
	GEO. F. HARRIS,
	WM. C. HEINLE,
	DANIEL HECKMAN,
	H. BROCKERHOFF,
	CALVIN M. BOWER,
	HARRY KELLER.
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the latest subscriptions to the fund for the with Penns Cave and term Centre Hall a fine Curtin memorial that is to be erected in town. conjunction with the monument :

Amount previously acknowledged...... ... \$1823 50 April 19th. Jas. McManes, by his daugh-ter, Mrs. Rebecca Colfelt, Phila... May 23rd. Dr. P. W. Swope, Julian June 5th. Col. R. B. Ricketts, Wilkes-June 11th. Gen. John P. Taylor, Reeds-June 14th. Gen. Chas. Miller, Franklin, Pa. 150 00 June 16th. Col. Ezra H. Ripple, Scran-25 00 ton, Pa.

There are subscriptions already made, amounting to \$475.00 and other pledges which make the amount practically guar- not have long to wait. anteed about \$3,000.

THE UNDINES AT HECLA PARK.-The glorious Fourth of July will be fittingly celebrated this year at Hecla park, when the Undine Fire company, of Bellefonte, will hold its fifth annual picnic. The committee of arrangements is composed of Messrs J. S. Knisely, chairman; William Doll, Charles Hazel, Edward Gehret, Jas. Wian and John Morgan. No expense or trouble will be spared to make this the crowning event in the history of the fire

--- The dedication of the splendid new The following committee report fixes the library and town hall at Alexandria, Huntingdon county, has be deferred until this place in memory of all soldiers and October. It has cost about twelve thousand dollars and is the gift of William Thompson, of Philadelphia, and Mr.

County Soldiers' Monument and Curtin Wolverton, of New York, to their native town.

Centre Hall.

W. O. Rearick is about completing the room in the foundry building for the handsome store of the Irwins.

The Granger's at their festival Saturday night cleared a neat sum of money which goes to the building fund.

Dr. J. F. Alexander is looking after his practice the same as heretofore, and those who report that he has quit his profession are mistaken.

Squire Shaffer returned from his trip to Illinois on Wednesday, much delighted with the West, but after all thinks Central Pennsylvania all right.

Corman Spicher is taking the census of Centre Hall at present, having commenced the work Tuesday. The population will no doubt reach over six hundred

S. W. Smith hulled over fifteen bushels of crimson clover seed last Saturday, which is an unusual thing this season of the year. Northern grown crimson seed is considered more valuable than that grown in the south. owing to the fact that the plants become acclimated.

Messrs. George Rice and Steward Rothrock, of Reedsville, and Misses Helen Sterrett and Page Aurand, of Milroy, stopped in Centre Hall for a few hours with friends on their way to Penn's Cave. Mr. Rice is connected with the mercantile firm of Rice's Sons and Mr. Rothrock holds a position in a real estate office in Pittsburg as head stenographer and is a son of Representative Rothrock of Mifflin county. The young ladies belong to the best families of Kishocoquillas In this connection we append the list of valley. The young people were delighted

Pine Grove Mention

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swartz, of Tusseyville, are visiting at D. G. Meek's.

Miss Nannie Pennington, of Tyrone, has been visiting the home of her youth here.

Some of our farmers are mowing with the hope that the second crop will be better than the first one.

Harvey Yarnell has been granted an increased pension of two dollars per month \$2359 50 with \$14 back pay.

> The parsonage will be re-opened this week so those who have matrimony in view will

William Eckley is up at Patton, where he has struck a fat job at \$2.25 a day which ought to keep the wolf from the door.at least while it lasts.

Deputy prothonotary Kimport, with his interesting little family, spent the Sabbath with friends in Penns valley. They returned to the county capitol on Monday.

Mrs. Jane Todd, of Petersburg, is visiting postmaster J. G. Hess, on Main street. She is the widow of the late Robert Todd, who was engaged in the milling business here about eighteen years ago.

The new school board organ

Steel Mills Reopen To-day.

1.200 of the 3,000 Men Thrown Out of Work in South Chicago Will Be Employed.

CHICAGO, June 17-Three departments of the Illinois steel mills at South Chicago, which were closed on June 3, throwing 3,000 men out of work, will open to-morrow morning. General manager Stafford issued the necessary orders yesterday, and there is rejoicing among the employees, who have anxiously waited for two weeks for an opportunity to return to work. Of the 3,000 idle men employment will be given to 1,200 by the department which will open to-morrow. The following are the departments to open, together with the number of men to be given employment: Slab mill, 400; plate mill, 500; open hearth furnace, 300

The officials did not post printed notices as is customary when operations are resumed after a shut-down. Instead, the general manager sent verbal messages to the different superintendents and they notified their men. It is said that all the departments will be running at the full capacity within a few days.

Her Parachute Turned Inside Out.

Mme. Nevada Falls Several Hundred Feet Into the Water at Point of Pines

Boston, June 17.-Mme. Nevada, a parachute jumper, was seriously hurt while performing at the Point of Pines yesterday afternoon. She ascended to a height of about 500 feet. and the stiff westerly breeze drove the hot air ballon from the shore out over the water. While the throng of spectators were vigorously applauding the daring act of the woman she detached the parachute from the ballon and the decent was being made with apparent safety when the parachute turned inside out and Mme. Nevada plunged downward into the water. Preprations were being made on shore to go after the woman, and as soon as it was seen that something had gone wrong with the parachute the men pulled vigorously dynamite. for the spot in a rowboat. They reached the woman just in time to pull her out of the water in an unconscious condition. She was taken ashore and doctors attended the injured are seriously hurt. her. She remained unconscious for three hours. One of her arms was broken.

There is a coast survey to be made for a month or two longer and the chief engi-There is a coast survey to be made for a month or two longer and the chief engi-the 19th century. It is impressed upon me neer, the head of my party and myself have been ordered to remain. I have reserved that God's people should labor more ear-GUSSIE WOOD lays off work a whole Lasardi's most interesting feature for the last. Here they have found that we all have vainly sought for weeks and weeks-a practical route for a tide level canal. We have our Lord and Redeemer. found low enough gaps in the dividing ridge from time to time with a steep approach on the Atlantic slope making a "cut" a practical possibility but the disappointment has always awaited us on the other side. Every time that the discovery of a low gap sent our hopes soaring, a little more work would lead us on to the long high plateau of the Pacific slope, so wide that no country could afford to pay for the stupendous engineering feat of cutting a canal through it and our golden bubble would burst and spill out our hopes on the misnamed Pacific slope. The Chuqunaque Indians Sheridan troop thrilled the shade trees into live there, but no one else, as they murder everyone they can who enters their country. waving their dainty limbs at the dashing French, Columbians and everyone else are their enemies; all have suffered in turn; the troopers and cart loads of enlarged crayons Aborigines making good their boast that no white man, with a few exceptions, can both enter and leave their country alive. They fight from ambush with blow guns and poisonous darts. Selfridge went through there in the early seventies and we have fooled a memory of that hospital Col. PRUNER around a lot but never without our 38 Colts' and Winchesters. The dense foliage makes the Indians dangerous and the work difficult. The vines render the forest impassable to everything but the mighty machete. There is rarely such a thing as getting a view from a mountain peak, it being restricted by the dense vegetation, to one hundred feet or less on every side.

But at last we have sent a bubble soaring that has not yet exploded, but which seems sure of floating on to the glory of our efforts. They have found a gap eight hundred feet high, a little too high perhaps, but not beyond the science of modern engineering and when I tell you this every fact against the route has been enumerated. From the summit of this gap in the "Divide" both the Atlantic and Pacific slopes go down precipitately; especially the latter which has heretofore been our stumbling block. A great wide valley stretches out majestically straight towards the Pacific ocean, which can be dimly seen in the hazy distance. The Atlantic, of course, is near and in plain sight. Other advantages are as follows: Here a tide water canal, the dream of all canalists can be built with a perfect harbor on each side. At Lasardi the many islands would protect its mouth and on the other side San Miguel Bay is perfect. The officers of the Scorpion say that Lasardi harbor alone makes this route worth fifty million dollars more

than any other. The damming of rivers, which would otherwise flood the canal, is a both of State College. problem of any route. So the only thing to be said against this route is the high cut of eight hundred feet. This is only approximately given, as the exact height has not yet Minnie M. Lucas, of Howard Twp. been ascertained. Of course, Congress may not accept this route, but it remains an indisputable fact that this is par excellence the future route, for the transcontinental canal. Blanche F. Grove, of Farmer's Mills My enthusiasm is not due to our party finding it, for we had nothing to do with it and and Minnie M. Markle, of Stormstown. it really seems possible that we have refound Selfridge's Caledonian route, discovered during his three years work here in the early seventies."

-Subcribe for the WATCHMAN.

Three Killed by an Explosion. Clearfield Democrats.

The County Convention Declares for Bryan and Op-PHILADELPHIA, June 17.-Three men vere killed and fourteen persons were in-

jured to-day by an explosion of dynamite The Democratic county convention at and gunpowder used in the manufacture of Clearfield, Tuesday, passed off harmoniousfireworks. The dead are: Pentalion de Jenno, Francisco Giangulia, Carmino Marly. Hon. J. K. P. Hall, of Elk county, the present Representative, was endorsed The explosion occurred at the dwelling of

for Congress and the following ticket was Giangulia, 621 Schell street. The third nominated: Assembly, Cyrus A. Woods floor was utilized for manufacturing canand C. C. Howe; sheriff, Henry S. Knarr, non crackers and other fireworks. It is not known just how the accident occured. of DuBois; district attorney, James A. but it is believed that the three men who Gleason, of Houtzdale; jury commissioner, were killed were smoking in the room con-E. K. Shirey, of Clearfield; coroner, W. B. Beamer, of Decatur township. taining the explosives, and that sparks from

one of their pipes fell into the powder or The present secretary of the county committee, John C. Barclay, was elected chair-man over E. C. Shields, of DuBois. The The house was completely wrecked and every other dwelling in the block was resolutions endorse Bryan, oppose expan-sion and imperialism, trusts and "Quay-ism." J. A. Stock, of Clearfield, Dennis Dempsey, of DuBois, and George E. Mermaged more or less seriously. None of

nothing more. ritt, were chosen congressional conferees.

these" that we see in this closing year of nestly than ever for the gracious results to in the afternoon and the evening the same be certainly realized in the Kingdom of band will give the grand military musical extravaganza, "The Spanish-American War.

Very many young and old in Northern Central Pennsylvania, have seen in churches and school houses, our Bible motto for 1900, Something for Everybody to Do. the music for the latter. I will give a fac-simile copy of the most ancient book, the first one made in this world, to any one who will send to me the best motto, in fewest words, for the first year of the 20th Century, 1901. The mottoes and addresses of the writers will be carefully preserved until Christmas day, 1900, when the motto selected and the writer's name will be published. One of the best known tion can be gleaned from the following noin the matter of selection.

Bellefonte, Pa.

ing the past week :

both of Centre Hall.

Packer, of Yarnell.

both of Bellefonte.

know where it is located.

DEAR SIR:

Hon. P. Gray Meek, Editor Bellefonte WATCHMAN,

of Tusseyville.

men in Pennsylvania will confer with me tice from the Milton Standard, at which place the piece was given last fall : R. CRITTENDEN. "The "Spanish-American War" drama Missionary Am. S. S. Union for N. C. Penna. in music at the fair grounds was witnessed by nearly eight thousand people. The big performance was carried through without a break. The music of the Repasz band was ADDITIONAL LOCALS .

-The grape bug is reported to be dea great feature of the entertainment, and the stroying vines throughout parts of Nittany vast assembly seemed to catch inspiration

from the national airs so beautifully rendered. The exhibition of moving pictures MARRIAGE LICENSES .- Following is th representing scenes in the late war was marvelous. The mammoth search light list of marriage licenses granted by orwas an object of great interest to many who phan's court clerk, A. G. Archey, durhad never before seen one. The vocal selections by the quartet were finely render-Clyde E. Bradford and Jennie Dunkle, ed and each time the singers appeared the enthusiastic audience called them back. Perhaps the greatest hit of the performance Calvin Ruhl, of Colyer, and Flora Stiffler, was the sham battle. It was participated in by companies of the Twelfth Regiment Harry Etters, of Benore, and Anna A. and Grand Army Veterans and Sons of Veterans. Over one thousand rounds of am-munition were used in this display and it Harry C. Yeager and Ruth Ella Tripple, had the appearance of a genuine battle. Taken all in all it was the greatest affair of M. E. McDonnell and May Patterson, the kind ever produced in this section, and those having it in charge have every reason Wm. A. Roberts, of Bellefoute, and to feel proud of their efforts."

WILD CATTLE ROUNDED UP .-- At the Noah A. Brungart, of Wolf's Store, and time of George Tressler's sale near Linden Hall, last March, a heifer and a young bull Walter H. Weaver, of Pine Grove Mills, were let into the barnyard to be sold. The animals became so frightened at the crowd WHO KNOWS WHERE THIS CELLAR IS? gathered about that they became unman--The following from Mr. Henry C. Demageable and broke away to the woods. ming, a geologist and mineralogist at All efforts to recapture them were futile. Harrisburg, fully explains itself. If any Day by day they became wilder, until finreader of the WATCHMAN knows of any ally people going to the mountains in that such a cellar it will be considered a favor vicinity were actually afraid of them.

if he will let Mr. Demming or this office Last week the two wild cattle came into Houtz's barn with Tate's cattle and were Harrisburg, Pa., June 15th, 1900. caught. They were fat and sleek, but terribly vicious.

DEAR SIR: Several years ago a friend of mine informed me that while he was in some part of Centre county a farmer told him if he would go into his cellar, he could hear a railroad train pass-INCREASED SALARIES AT THE BELLE-FONTE POST OFFICE.-The receipts at the Bellefonte post office for the fiscal year just ing at certain point several miles away. My friend went into the cellar at the time a train closed having exceeded \$12,000 salaries to was due, and not only heard the train pass-ing, but the noise of every wheel as it rum-bled along. This would indicate, possibly, a cavern under that cellar, and extending for miles to under the bed of some railroad. part of the force will be increased as follows :

Post master Montgomery from \$2,200 to \$2,300; assistant Chambers from \$700 to Can any of the readers of your valuable pa-It will be a matter of scientific interest, if nothing more. Faithfully yours, \$1,000; mailing clerk Garman from \$600 to \$700 and the stamp clerk, Miss Butts, from aithfully yours, HENRY C. DEMMING. \$400 to \$500.

dies, and with this end in view the faing G. W. Keichline, president; F. W. Black, mous Repasz band, of Williamsport, has secretary and Joseph H. Hoy, treasurer, been engaged to give a grand concert They, with A. M. Brown, are the old members. Hon. John T. McCormick and Jessie B. Piper are the recent acquisitions.

A brilliant social event was enjoyed Tues-There will be boat races, fire works and day evening at the hospitable home of Andancing, the Undine orchestra furnishing drew Lytle, near State College. The party was for the young people and about thirty were present. Excellent refreshments were The evening performance will surpass anything ever before seen in this section of served and everyone had a good time.

the State and must be seen to realize the Mr. and Mrs. G. W. McWilliams, of Fairmagnitude. In this mammoth production brook, are in Altoona visiting their daughnearly 1000 people take part. Probably ter Mrs. Ed. Bowersox, who is again seriously ill, threatened with Brights disease. She the best description of the spectacular porwas in a Philadelphia hospital for treatment last year and was much benefited but she is now suffering a relapse.

> Mr. Mordaci Danley, one of Ohio's progressive farmers, is visiting his venerable mother at the home of his childhood. "Mode", as he is more familiarly known, is looking very well but his locks are white as snow. 'His wife is with him and they will stay for the Bloom reunion.

Martin and Martha Dreiblebis are mourning the death of their little son Daniel Ernest, who died on the night of the 15th. aged 2 months. He had only been ill three days with convulsions caused by indigestion. Interment was made in the Pine Hall cemetery on Sunday at 3 o'clock.

Children's day exercises were held in the Pine Hall Reformed church on Sunday evening. The church was tastefully decorated with mottoes and flowers and ferns. The program was in charge of J. D. Neidigh, who carried it out smoothly and ably. Rev. Black and Rev. Aikens made short addresses and the choir with Miss Maud Dreiblebis as organist made some good music in demand before the exercises began.

DEATH OF MISS SPARE .- The death of Miss Nancy H. Sparr, on Tuesday evening, of pneumonia at her home near Boalsburg ends that once well known family. Just one week before her sister, Margaret, with whom she had always resided at the old home. passed away and she was so grief stricken that there was no incentive for her to live and she was more than satisfied when she knew that she was dangerously ill. She was a member of the Reformed church and aged 67 years. She will be laid to rest this morning in the Boalsburg cemetery with her family who all preceded her to the grave. Her pastor, Rev. A. A. Black, will conduct the services.

On the 23rd of May the annual gathering of the Wm. Thompson family occurred at the home of Dr. Frank Thompson at Liverpool. They were all present with the exception of the preacher in Ohio, who was obliged to send his regrets. Last year the reunion took place at Port Matilda and since then that home has been bereft. The year before that Dr. George Thompson died so

that the family is yearly growing less. Among the enjoyable features of the occasion was the appearance of Winfield Scott Johnson, the colored boy whom H. S. Thompson brought with him from the army and was for years the pride of Stormsto