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THINGS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTY

Diphtheria is prevalent about Salona. A turkey dinner was served in the W. C. T. U. rooms yesterday. The Brockerhoff house bus is resplendent in a new coat of paint.

Don't forget the Methodist fair and oyster supper next Thursday evening. A handsome new cigar case counter is to be put in the office of the Bash house.

James McCullough had the first hydrant in use from Milesburg's new public water service. Rev. Wetzel conducted Union Thanksgiving services in the Lutheran church at Rebersburg on Thursday.

Geo. Weaver and his party of hunters from Romola returned from the mountains on Saturday. They got six deer. Mrs. C. T. Gerberich, of Thomas street, is somewhat better than she was several weeks ago.

She has been suffering for some time with throat trouble. Mrs. Fannie Register, the oldest daughter of the late Jacob Gray, of Halfmoon, is reported to be dangerously ill at the home of her son in Maryland.

William Rosman, of the Geutzel hunting party that returned from the Green Woods last Saturday, shot a five pronged buck that dressed over 200 lbs. The two 18 inch trout still continue to splash in the water outside the WATCHMAN office windows, much to the delight of the crowds that gather every day to watch them.

Bishop Ethelbert Talbot, of the Episcopal church, will preach in the Chapel at State College next Sunday morning and will conduct the services in St. John's church here in the evening.

William Brooks, of Linden Hall, and Cloyce Brooks, of Pleasant Gap, came home from a hunting expedition to Pine Glen, on Saturday, with forty-five rabbits and a wild turkey.

While cutting scrap on the shears at the McCoey iron works, at Milesburg, last Saturday, Samuel McKinney suffered a severe scalp wound by being struck on the back of the head by a flying piece of iron.

The new Methodist church at Clarence that cost \$900, was dedicated on Sunday, when all but \$300 of the indebtedness was made up. Presiding Elder J. Ellis Bell preached, both morning and evening.

One of the prettiest calendars we have seen up to this time is the one issued by the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Co., of Baltimore, Md., for the new year. John C. Miller is the agent here.

The proposed cantata has been abandoned by the Aaronsburg Reformed Sunday school and in its stead a regular Christmas entertainment will be given in the auditorium of the church on Christmas evening.

Hon. A. O. Furst recently delivered his lecture on the "Passion Play at Oberammergau" in the Baptist church at Milesburg. It was for the benefit of the soldier's monument fund and was given under the auspices of the Geo. L. Potter post, G. A. R.

ANOTHER HUNTER KILLED.—Thanksgiving day was not without its sorrow for one Centre county family at least. When all seemed brightest and most blessed in the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Pritchard, near Philipsburg, a message came telling that their son Charles, who had left home that morning in full vigor for a hunt, had accidentally killed himself.

Then the cup of sadness was full to overflowing and his venerable parents were prostrate with grief. With Walter Shaw and the two Hollabach boys he had driven to Six Mile Run that morning. As game was scarce they prepared to return about three o'clock in the afternoon and put their guns into the wagon for that purpose.

Later one of the Hollabachs and Charles Pritchard decided they would walk and hunt homeward, so they started to remove their guns from the wagon. In doing so the hammer of one of them caught and the gun was discharged, the entire load of buckshot striking Pritchard on the upper left side of his face. It tore a great ragged hole, shattered his jaw and penetrated the base of his brain, causing instant death.

Horried at the awful accident his companions hurried to Philipsburg, arriving there about six o'clock. The body was taken to Weber's undertaking establishment, where it was prepared for burial before being taken home.

Charles Pritchard was about 28 years old. He was engaged with his brother, Joe Pritchard, in conducting the Potter house livery stables. He was industrious, widely known and very generally liked. The young man was unmarried and lived at home all his life. The funeral took place Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with services at the house.

A WELL KNOWN SINGING MASTER PASSES AWAY.—Prof. John Adam Weaver, well known in all parts of Centre and adjoining counties as a singing and band master, died most unexpectedly at the home of William Floray, near Fairbrook, early Sunday morning.

Prof. Weaver had left his home the evening before, apparently in his usual health, to go to Franklinville, where he had a singing class. It was twelve miles distant, but he reached the place and after having fulfilled his engagement started to return. It was then about 11 o'clock and he made no complaint about feeling unwell.

The next hour of him were his cries for help that aroused the Florays, who live at the end of the lane leading into Prof. Weaver's home. When they found him he was lying in the lane, partially under the buggy, in a semi-conscious condition. He was carried into the Floray home and Dr. Houser hastily summoned, but just as the slanting rays on the eastern horizon told of the dawning of a new day his life went out, and his soul took flight to eternity.

It is supposed that in getting out of his buggy to open the gate he was stricken with acute kidney trouble for he had suffered with them for some time. He was the third son of Jacob and Amelia Weaver and was born at the old Weaver homestead, one mile north of Pine Grove Mills. He began the study of music in his youth and was ever laboring that there might be more of melody in the world.

Early in life he joined the Lutheran church and Rev. Aikens officiated at the funeral Tuesday morning; interment having been made in the new cemetery at Pine Grove. He was a brother of the late G. W. Weaver Supt. of Clearfield county public schools, and of David H. Weaver, the Pine Grove merchant. In 1876 he was married to Alice, a daughter of Jonathan Musser, who survives with four girls and three boys, of the eleven children born to them.

greatest interest was in the Reformed church of which he was an active member. Surviving him are four children: William and Daniel, of Boalsburg; Robert, in the West and Martha Knopf, with whom he made his home.

Funeral services were held in the Reformed church and interment was made in the Boalsburg cemetery on Tuesday morning. Frank M. Moore, aged 37, youngest son of William Moore, of Philipsburg, died at Denver, Col., on Thursday last. He had gone West a month ago in hopes that the climate would stop the ravages of consumption, but he was too late.

The remains of Richard Custard, of Clintonale, were buried at Lamar on Tuesday, after services had been conducted in St. Paul's church by Rev. Runyan. Owing to illness Mrs. Custard was unable to attend her husband's funeral.

Mrs. Perry Krape, aged 46 years, died at her home in Mackeyville on Saturday morning. She is survived by a husband and two children. Interment was made in the Cedar Hill cemetery on Wednesday.

Begin the new year by subscribing for the WATCHMAN. It will cost you only \$1 per year. A flag was raised over the Winburn, Clearfield county schools, recently, and the occasion was made a memorable one. There were speeches by lawyers from Clearfield and children from Winburn and everyone had a good time.

Rev. Geo. S. Bright, pastor of the Philipsburg Lutheran church, went out gunning near that place Friday morning and was back in a few hours with a doe that weighed 114 lbs. He shot it up along Cold Stream. Frank Viard, of the same place, got a fine one the day before.

Mr. Royer, of the Y. M. C. A., wishes to announce that it was due to an oversight on his part that Mr. Warden, the evangelist, failed to be with them for the meetings as advertised for Saturday and Sunday last. The devotional meeting of the Association on Sunday will be led by Rev. Mr. Perks. The services will be a Bible reading. All men are invited.

At its meeting Monday night the Tyrone council tendered Andrew Carnegie a vote of thanks for his offer of a \$50,000 public library for that town, provided the citizens raise \$3,000 per annum for its maintenance. The proposition was to raise the yearly endowment by taxation, but the councilmen thought it unwise to tax the people further than their present burdens and the offer was declined.

John Confer, a son of Perry Confer, of Millheim, is just recovering from an attack of brain fever that affected him very singularly. He was a robust, hearty boy and had done a hard day's work on Saturday, November 24th. Sunday morning he arose, but complained of feeling unwell until 10 o'clock, when he went to bed and became quite delirious. Later he fell asleep and all efforts to arouse him failed. He slept right along until Tuesday afternoon, fifty six hours, when he awoke and appeared much better.

Rev. Leonard Weaver closed his tent evangelistic campaign in London in October, with a great rally that was so largely attended that overflow meetings had to be held in two nearby halls. Prof. Weeden and Mr. and Mrs. Baker, the blind singers of Philadelphia, helped with the services. As a token of her esteem and in memory of the great work done Lady Hope presented Rev. Weaver with a handsome gold watch. Centre county friends will be glad to know of his success.

The Lloyd house property, the oldest hotel in Philipsburg, was sold on Saturday, December 1st, to Chas. G. Avery, cashier of the Meacham National bank of that place. He paid \$11,000, which is \$10,000 less than its last owner, Mr. Walther, paid for it. The property includes the three story brick hotel building, the livery stable occupied by Bony Gardner's livery stable, the shoemaker shop, Deakin's store room, Hagerty's bakery, Mingle's restaurant and Peters' meat market. The plot of ground they cover is 66 feet front by 240 feet back, running from Front to Second street on Pine. It is rumored that it will become the property of Adleman, Ratowsky & Bro., who will convert the hotel building into a mammoth department store.

This is the shopping season, and we want to make a special request of the readers of the WATCHMAN. When you come to buy your Christmas presents and necessities, give those who invite you through the columns of your paper the first chance. The advertiser who seeks your patronage will always give you better bargains than those who do not think enough of you to ask you to come to see them, or don't care enough for your custom to let you know what they have to sell. There is not a business firm that advertises in the WATCHMAN, but is responsible and honorable in their dealings. They have what they tell you they have and much more in addition, and you will receive polite and fair treatment at their hands. They want your patronage, they are anxious to have it, and we know that you can do better, and will be made feel more at home in their places of business, than in those who don't care sufficient for your patronage to let you know that they are doing business.

Politically he was a Democrat, but his

COUNCIL'S SEMI-MONTHLY MEETING.—President Gerberich and members Potter, Knieley, Gerrity and Wetzel were the only ones present at the council meeting Monday night.

S. B. Miller appeared on behalf of the Armor estate and asked that the water service be extended out Lamb street to Armor, where they are erecting a poultry house. It was referred to the Water committee for action.

Pavements on South Potter and Willowbank streets were reported to be in bad order. The Water committee reported the cleaning of the spring and the fact that the pumps are running twenty four hours a day. They have also placed a 3 in. meter on the C. R. R. of Pa. tank pipe and a 2 in. meter on the Gazette's supply.

President Jas. R. Hughes of the Y. M. C. A. petitioned council to have the police break up the loafing on the side walks in front of the Association rooms. A crowd of young men and boys have been in the habit of gathering there in the evening, much to the annoyance of the Association frequenters and to persons passing on that side of the street. The Association has always been unjustly criticised for this condition and President Hughes' stand to break it up is most commendable.

The following bills were approved and ordered paid: Bellefonte Fuel & Supply Co. coal, \$100.11; J. H. Johnson, labor, 2.75; Conrad Miller, work on bridge, 12.00; Bt. Fuel & Supply Co. coal crusher, 16.03; A. Allison, pipes, 4.81; E. E. Hill Co., lighting streets, 26.81; Mill Hall brick works, paving brick, 10.20; Street pay roll, 211.70; Walter Whippo, blacksmithing, 8.10; Kurtz Stationary Co., 7.5; Samuel Ryan, putting in water meters, 7.00; Water pay roll, \$1.63; E. E. Hill Co. light for water works, 1.70; A. Allison, supplies for water works, 7.16; R. B. Taylor, coal for water works, 183.77; E. E. Hill Co. light town buildings, 13.50; Police pay roll, 38.75; Bellefonte Gas Co., 37.00; J. Thomas Mitchell, copying Auditors accounts, 20.00; \$121.57.

DOING NICELY.—John Garner the young man who had his forearm ground to pieces, while feeding a fodder shredder at the college barn, at State College, on the 23rd ult. is recovering from his unfortunate accident as satisfactorily as could be expected.

His arm was ground to a pulp almost to the elbow, but the surgeon in attendance endeavored to save a portion of the bone below that joint in order that the young man would have enough of the forearm left with which to do some kind of work. It was found, however, that the bone was so badly shattered and the tissues torn in such a way as to make this impossible then an amputation was made just above the elbow.

Mr. Garner is at the home of his brother Samuel, where he is receiving the best of treatment and his condition is encouraging. The accident happened in a rather singular way. He was feeding fodder into the rolls, when a piece of twine that was going in became fastened about his gloved hand. John tried to get loose, but was drawn resistibly on until his hand was ground between the merciless rolls, then his arm was being drawn in, inch by inch, until his body was thrown violently forward and by accident struck the lever that throws the machine out of gear. At the same time another workman noticed his plight and threw the belt off.

THOS. BOILLEAU IN THE TOILS.—On Wednesday afternoon detective Nightroom brought Thos. Boilleau to jail in this place, where he will likely remain until the January term of court, when he will be given opportunity to explain away the charge that he broke into Mrs. Mary Murphy's home.

Mrs. Murphy lives between Julian and Beaver Mills and, with her family, was away from home on the afternoon of Nov. 25th. It is alleged that at that time Boilleau forced open a window, entered the house and stole a purse containing money and papers to the value of \$16.

Mrs. Murphy, upon discovering her loss, came to this place and detective Nightroom was assigned to the case. He soon had a clue and traced Boilleau to this place, thence to Julian, on to Tyrone and on Sunday night he slept in a cave in the mountains pushing on to Philipsburg Monday, where he was arrested in the basement of the First National bank, after some "battles" had hid him away in a closet.

Boilleau claims that he is from Cuba. He had been working about Julian for some time previous to his arrest. SPINE BROKEN BY A FALLING TREE.—A frightful accident occurred near Parvin, in Nittany valley, last Monday, as a result of which Herman Fransen is lying a helpless cripple at the home of Newton Bickel, to which he was carried.

Fransen had been employed as a farm hand by the Knecht Bros., and with two other men, started to the mountains that day to cut some timber. The first tree felled was an oak. In falling it struck a smaller tree, causing it to bend and break, the top part rebounding and striking Fransen. The unfortunate man realized the danger he was in and tried to avoid it by running, but he tripped and fell, face downward, so that the tree struck him right across the back, injuring his spine so as to cause total paralysis.

He was carried to the home of Newton Bickel, where he lies perfectly helpless, though reports yesterday morning were to the effect that he showed signs of slight improvement. Fransen is a young man of such a character as to arouse the sincerest sympathy of the people of that vicinity.

At a Thanksgiving musicale in the First Methodist church of Tyrone Miss Emily Alexander, a daughter of Dr. John F. Alexander, of Centre Hall, sang a solo, which the Tyrone Herald says was "well received."

News Purely Personal.—Geo. T. Bush was among the Bellefonters who were in Philadelphia over Sunday. Col. and Mrs. J. P. Coburn, of north Allegheny street, spent Sunday at their home at Aaronsburg.

A Scott Harris was in town Tuesday night and reported that they are working eighty men in the Salona quarries, of which he is manager. Mr. Mortie Cunningham and his sister, Miss Mary, are visiting the former's son Frank, who is said to be making money in the hotel business at Kensington.

David Dale Esq., of Butler, a relative of John M. Dale, of this place, was in town for a short visit on Monday, while on his way home from a business trip to Shamokin. Prof. John D. Meyer, H. C. Quigley Esq., and Charley Harris were among the Bellefonters in Philadelphia on Saturday for the annual West Point-Annapolis football game.

Miss Mary H. Linn, who has been visiting friends in Lewisburg, Harrisburg, Bryn Mawr and Williamsport for the past two months, returned home Tuesday evening. Geo. T. Bush has returned from Philadelphia on his store in the Arcade is already taking on a holiday appearance with the large quantities of novelties he purchased while away.

Hugh North Crider and Wallace Reeder, the former a student at a Chambersburg prep school and the latter one of Haverford's crack cricketers, were home to spend Thanksgiving. William S. Furst, who came up from Philadelphia to enjoy Thanksgiving with his parents former judge and Mrs. A. O. Furst and spend a day on the mountains ginning, returned to the city Saturday night.

Miss Mary Harris Weaver came home from the National Park Seminary at Washington, on Wednesday morning, and will remain until after Christmas with her grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. John P. Harris. Mason John Noll expects to spend most of the winter and spring at Alexandria, where he is engaged in the stone work on the fine summer home which S. M. Wolverson, of New York, is building there. He was home to spend Sunday.

Mrs. Joseph Beck was an arrival in town, Wednesday afternoon, from Wilkensburg. She has not been in her usual good health lately and will make an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Houser, of east Bishop street. Bright and early Monday morning master Penton Conroy dropped in to transact a little business at this office. He is a bright, fine-looking lad and we hope he'll develop into an honorable son of his lamented honorable father, James Conroy.

James Reilly, who has been a resident of Bellefonte almost since the resumption of operations at the local factory, left for Falls Creek, on Wednesday. He has secured a position as a cutter there and will move to that place as soon as he can secure a house. Mrs. Walter McCaskey, nee McClellan, of Beech Creek, is going to Manila to join her husband, Lieutenant McCaskey who is now with his regiment, the 21st Reg. Inf., in the Philippines. She will sail from San Francisco on the transport Thos about Jan. 1st.

Sheriff Brungart went to Pittsburg, on Monday afternoon, having in custody Willis M. Johnstonbaugh, the State College boy who will serve two years and three months in the western penitentiary for burglarizing Kramer's store. Jas. Smith, of Millheim, accompanied the sheriff, to see that everything goes right. Mrs. Mordcael W. Jackson, who spends her summers here with her daughter, Mrs. W. P. Reeder, left Monday for her winter home in Washington, D. C. There she will meet her other daughter, Mrs. Borches, who is in Washington attending a large wedding and entertain her for several weeks.

Miss Emma Holliday, of north Allegheny street, left for Philadelphia on Tuesday morning to spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. Albert Egele Blackburn. Mrs. Jack McClellan, of Sharpburg, who had been here to take her Thanksgiving dinner with her sister, Mrs. J. L. Spangler, returned home on Friday.

William Wilkins, Supt. of the Bellefonte furnace, departed on Wednesday evening for a few days rest in the city. The recent unseasonable working of the furnace required his attention so constantly, night and day, as to severely tax his nervous system and he hopes that a few days change will restore him to his former health. J. H. Ronsh, of Madisonburg, was in town on Saturday for a little while. He and Mrs. Roush drove up on Wednesday to spend a few days with William Miller, at their former home at Axe Mill. Mr. Roush said that the recent rains had filled up all the streams down their way, and caused them to flow again and generally put the people who were fearful of drought in good heart.

The Hon. John K. Thompson, of Philipsburg, was in town a few days this week looking after the business he had to neglect during the six weeks of his active campaign for Assembly. John doesn't seem to be much swelled up over his victory, but we considered it a questionable compliment when he remarked to us: "Oh, no, I don't feel any grander, why I would just as soon talk to you now as I would before the election."

Mr. G. and Mrs. Walker drove down from Pine Grove Mills Friday morning to complete their arrangements for moving to Penn Hall in the spring and get ahead with their Christmas shopping. While here Mrs. Walker was initiated into the intricacies of a printing establishment, as it was her first visit to a newspaper office, and while she frankly acknowledged her love for the finished sheet she seemed to think that life on a farm was much more preferable to picking type.

Mrs. Margaret Alexander and her daughter, Mrs. Harvey Yarrington, who has been here for the last three months closing up the estate of her brother, the lamented James W. Alexander, leave to-morrow for the latter's home in Richmond, Va. In giving up her home here and going South to her daughter's, Mrs. Alexander is by no means expatriating herself from her "win country" and her old friends, for many have exacted the promise that she will come back to visit them and stay long.

William Galvin Meyers, who bought the Booser-Hartwick farm on "the Branch," in College township, a few years ago, was in town for several hours Monday morning attending to some business. Mr. Meyers has made a fine place out of the old farm, and reports that he is making money too. He is one of the kind who sticks to his work and lets others to run off after the side issues which are the cause of so many failures.

CHURCH RE-OPENING.—After spending \$12,000 on remodeling their church the Philipsburg Methodists will rededicate it to the service of the Master, on Sunday, December 9th.

The dedicatory sermon will be delivered in the morning at 10:30 by Bishop Charles H. Fowler, D. D., L. L. D. At 3 p. m. presiding elder Ellis Bell will preach and at 7 p. m. Bishop Fowler will again be in the pulpit.

The musical features of the service will be rendered by Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Powell, of Buffalo, N. Y. On Monday evening at 8 o'clock, following Bishop Fowler will deliver his lecture on "Abraham Lincoln." On Tuesday night at 7:30 the pastors of the local churches will be present and deliver addresses. The other evenings of the week will be occupied as follows: Wednesday, sermon by Rev. George Leidy, of Altoona; Tuesday, sermon by Rev. T. S. Wilcox, of Altoona, a former pastor of the church, and on Friday a sermon by Rev. J. A. Wood, of Tyrone.

THE CURTIN MEMORIAL FUND IS GROWING.—Although the matter of the soldiers' monument and Curtin memorial has been rarely mentioned since the county Centennial, at which time the probable site was dedicated, yet the fund is growing steadily as the following will indicate:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes entries for Mrs. Mary W. ... \$878.00, Mrs. ... \$100.00, etc.

Very Respectfully, JAMES A. BEAVER. I have great pleasure in acknowledging the following contributions to the Curtin Memorial fund:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes entries for Mrs. ... \$100.00, Mrs. ... \$100.00, etc.

THE NEW CENSUS.—The census report is about completed for Pennsylvania and carries facts that furnish food for a great deal of consideration. According to the returns it will be seen that Centre county has lost 375 in the past ten years. Bellefonte has made a gain of 270, while Philipsburg has almost stood still. Her population of 3,345 in 1890 has grown to only 3,268 in 1900, making a gain of 21.

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Former Governor Hastings, former Deputy Attorney General W. F. Reeder and former Executive Clerk Wilbur P. Harris have been at Beaver this week attending the trial of John Wanamaker, charged with libeling former State Printer Robbins, who was in office at the time the famous Warren bird book was published.

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THE FOLLOWING ARE THE CLOSING PRICES OF THE PHILADELPHIA MARKETS ON WEDNESDAY EVENING.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes entries for Wheat, Corn, Flour, etc.

Bellefonte Grain Market. Corrected weekly by the PHOENIX 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 entries for Red wheat, White wheat, etc.

Bellefonte Produce Markets. Corrected weekly by Secler & Co. Potatoes per bushel, 50; Onions, 75; Eggs, per dozen, 20; Lard, per pound, 9; Sides, 10; Hams, 12; Butter, per pound, 25; Tallow, per pound, 3.