

W. H. EARON'S FIFTIETH BIRTHDAY.
—Some weeks ago Mrs. W. H. Earon, of Unionville, conceived the idea of surprising her husband with a great big party on his fiftieth birthday, which was done on Saturday, March 7th. The situation was most propitious for a surprise as Mr. and Mrs. Earon divide their time fairly evenly between the old Cambridge home on the mountain and their Unionville house. Two hundred invitations were issued and wonderful preparations were made and not until last Thursday did a hint of it reach Mr. Earon's ear. Then the rain descended and washed away the bridge between the source of supplies and the place of entertainment and of course the predicament had to be met. Mr. Earon, however, soon enlisted the assistance of his friends and on Friday about fifteen of them built a foot bridge across Bald Eagle, over which the great store of provender provided on the farm was safely transported to Unionville.

There were one hundred and two guests at the party on Saturday and dinner lasted from 12 until 4 o'clock. It was a regular feast and those who were there to enjoy it were perfectly amazed at the supplies provided. A handsome Morris chair was presented to the host and impromptu speeches were indulged in by Charles F. Cook, James A. Fiedler and John M. Daley, John M. Bullock sang several selections and there was an abundance of music, as well as all the other means of entertainments usual to successful big anniversaries.

—The Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity of State College gave a dance at the Brockerhoff house in this place last night.

Big Strike Imminent.

Soft Coal Men Will Quit Work. Dissolution of Scale Conference Means Calling Out of 200,000 Men.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 5.—"This means strike," said John Mitchell yesterday when overruling his advice and threat of vice president Lewis and secretary Wilson, the United Mine Workers, in national convention, refused to accept the ultimatum of the operators for a 3.55 per cent reduction in the mining scale in Western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois.

Though the ultimatum was from the operators of the four States to the miners of the four States, and in the past these miners only had voted on the scale, the delegates from all of the districts, including the anthracite, voted against accepting the reduction, which was equivalent to voting for a strike on April 1, for not only the 117,000 men in the four States but the additional 85,000 union miners in Maryland, Michigan, Central Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Kentucky and Iowa, whose contracts expire on that date.

Their contracts are always based on that for the central competitive field. A motion to adjourn, made by L. L. Robins, of Pittsburgh, and seconded by John Mitchell, the vote was not taken, however, until the joint sub-scale committee had held a hurried conference. The unanimous vote not only disrupted the interstate movement that, since brought into existence in 1897, has been the highest type of arbitration between capital and labor ever known in this country but also settled the issue. The pall that fell over the great conference of 1,200 men—the operators on one side, the miners on the other—was oppressive and lasted some time before the operators arose and withdrew.

"It means the dissolution of the interstate movement and a strike," said president Mitchell this evening.

Death Comes to Dr. B. B. Hamlin.
The Noted Methodist Minister Was in Active Service Over Half a Century.

The Rev. B. B. Hamlin, D. D., one of the oldest and best known members of the Central Pennsylvania M. E. Conference, died suddenly at his home at Huntingdon, Pa., Tuesday evening. He was remarkably well preserved for his age, being in his eighty-first year. Dr. Hamlin was a man of brilliant literary attainments, a highly interesting lecturer, and a preacher of marvelous powers. He was a magnetic talker, and on one occasion, at Ocean Grove, an audience of 4,000 people unconsciously rose to their feet in their enthusiasm as Dr. Hamlin eloquently preached to them in the big auditorium. In 1900 Dr. Hamlin was placed on the superannuated list and went to Huntingdon to live, after doing effective work in the ministry for 52 years, during which time he was presiding elder for four years.

Funeral services will be held at Huntingdon this afternoon.

Call For Prohibition Convention.

J. Zeigler issues a call for a convention of Centre county Prohibitionists with all their friends to meet in the opera house in Philipsburg on Tuesday, March 29th, at 2 p. m., to elect delegates to the State convention to be held at Uniontown, Fayette county, Pa., June 8th, and transact such other business as properly belongs to it.

Mass meeting in the evening. Rev. J. H. Hector and jubilee singers in the lead. Chas. R. Jones will be there.

Announcement.

The following are the prices charged for Announcements in this column: Congress, \$10.00; Senate, \$5.00; Assembly, \$5.00; Prothonotary, \$5.00; District Attorney, \$5.00. All candidates are required to pledge themselves to abide the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

We are authorized to announce Arthur B. Kimpton, of Harris township, as a candidate for the office of Prothonotary; subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY.
We are authorized to announce William Groh Rankle, of Bellefonte, as a candidate for nomination for the office of District Attorney of Centre county; subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

ASSEMBLY.
We are authorized to announce Hon. J. W. Kepler, of Ferguson township, as a candidate for the nomination for Assembly; subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention of Centre county.

We are authorized to announce John F. Potter, of Boggs township, as a candidate for nomination for Assembly; subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

New Advertisements.

DESIRABLE DWELLING HOUSE FOR RENT.—Apply to A. M. HOOVER, Bellefonte, Pa. 49-10-21*

ROLLER PROCESS FLOUR MILL, with excellent water power, for sale very low, and on easy terms. Apply to A. M. HOOVER, Bellefonte, Pa. 49-10-31*

FARM FOR RENT.—A good level farm, 170 acres, 2 miles east of Beech Creek. Inquire of G. THOMAS FURST, Beech Creek, Pa. 49-8

FARMER WANTED.—A good farmer wanted for a farm of 180 acres. Good land under cultivation. Good terms to the right man. Call on or address M. I. GARDNER, Bellefonte, Pa. 49-8-31*

WANTED.—Men with boys under 18 years of age to work in brick yards. Wages \$1.45 up. Steady employment. New houses, with reasonable rent. Apply to HARBISON-WALKER CO., Fairandville, Pa. 49-8-4t

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.—Letters testamentary in the estate of John L. Kurtz, late of the borough of Bellefonte, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned by the register of wills of Centre county, Pa., all persons indebted to said estate are hereby requested to make payment and all persons having claims or demands against said estate are requested to present and make the same known without delay to HARRIET T. KURTZ, Executrix, BLANCHARD & BLANCHARD, Attys., Bellefonte, Pa. 49-7-6t

Shoes.

SACRIFICE SALE OF FURNITURE.

AN 8 PIECE OAK BED ROOM SUIT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 Oak Marble Top Bureau,
- 1 " " " Washstand,
- 3 " Chairs,
- 1 " Stand,
- 1 " Bed,
- 1 good set Springs.

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Spring Mills.

Wm. Steely and wife, of Sunbury, were here during the week on a short visit to Mrs. Steely's father, Charles Miller.

Moving time is rapidly approaching, but apparently we have a sufficient number of houses to accommodate all who are obliged to change quarters.

Last week Penns and Sinking creeks were wild, but no particular damage was done by high water. It fell about as suddenly as it rose. But this week they were angry floods.

A swindler endeavored to play a sharp game on one of our merchants last week, by making a purchase of \$55.00 and presenting a check for \$65.00 expecting to receive the difference in cash. But he woke up the wrong party and of course failed. The check proved to be worthless and the rogue suddenly disappeared.

Anniversary suppers and surprise parties are almost epidemic here. Last week David Burrell had a large surprise party at his home, and on Thursday evening last, a large party, many of whom were K. G. Es. met at the residence of O. T. Corman, it being the anniversary of his birthday. Mr. Corman had been absent during the day and was entirely ignorant of the surprise in store for him, and knew nothing of it, until he arrived home and entered the dining room, where an elegant and inviting supper had been prepared, and the guests patiently awaiting his arrival. Mr. Corman was naturally astounded, but he soon recovered himself and entered into the spirit of the occasion with the guests, and an evening of great pleasure and enjoyment followed which continued 'til a late hour.

On the Saturday evening following John Smith was likewise astounded by a surprise party, it also being the anniversary of his birthday. Mr. Smith had been absent during the day, and knew nothing of the party until he reached home. A very elaborate collation was served, enjoyment and pleasure ruled the hour. During the evening district deputy grand past chief, W. P. Alexander, presented a past officer's badge to past chief John Smith with appropriate remarks. Mr. Smith replied in a very interesting and feeling manner. A large number of K. G. Es. were present. Several lively speeches were delivered, followed by music and singing. After an evening of extreme pleasure, all very reluctantly retired to their respective homes, for the anniversary and surprise party was at an end.

Pine Grove Mention.

J. W. Sunday lost a fine cow by a fall on the ice last week.

Geo. Cronmiller is suffering from a partial stroke of paralysis.

Former postmaster J. G. Heberling is quite ill at his home on Main street.

Miss Margaret Glenn is laid up with a ruptured ligature of the ankle.

Mrs. Robert G. Goheen is quite ill with an attack of inflammatory rheumatism.

On account of a broken toe John Sausserman is using crutches for purposes of locomotion.

Miss Elsie Peters, of Oak Hall, has been visiting relatives and friends at Rock Springs.

Frank Cronmiller, who is employed at Patton, came home on Monday to visit his sick father.

The many friends of the venerable J. J. Goheen will be glad to learn of his improved health.

John E. Campbell, of Tyrone, came down Monday evening to cheer up his invalid father a little.

Mrs. J. C. Seigel, of Half-moon, is paying a visit to her brother, J. W. Sunday, in the Glades this week.

James Glenn, who had been home sick with a bilious attack, returned to his studies at Meyerstown last Saturday.

J. Calvin Eckel has been laid up at the home of J. A. Decker with erysipelas. He is reported as being better.

D. G. Meek is able to be about again, after a slight attack of the grip. He is arranging for his big sale on the 29th.

Our friend J. N. Eberts is in Philadelphia this week selecting a stock of goods which will include everything from a ladies hat to a Prince Albert suit.

H. C. Campbell is ill at his home at State College. In fact so ill that his family and friends are much alarmed about him. He has some liver complications.

Jacob Meyers, one of Harris township's prosperous farmers, was circulating among friends here last week. It is said he would like to hold the keys to Centre county's money chest.

Bob Seeds is coming. Get your tickets. He will lecture in the Odd Fellows hall at Pine Grove Mills Friday evening, Feb. 18th. It will be under the auspices of the G. A. R. boys. Come and help them along.

A farmer's institute will be held in the new Odd Fellows hall at Pine Grove Mills this Friday, the 11th. The first session will open at 1:30 p. m. and another session at 7:30. Dr. H. P. Armsby and Prof. Watson, Surface and McDowell, of State College, will address the gatherings. Revs. Black, Heckman, Harnish, Aikens, Hon. J. W. Kepler, George Dale and others will also speak.

The High school banquet, held in Odd Fellows hall, last Friday evening, was the event of the season. Over two hundred were served by J. W. Longwell, the caterer for the occasion. Three dozen chickens and stacks of waffles and ice cream were consumed. The literary program was admirable; the boys and girls acquitting themselves most creditably.

During the absence of the WATCHMAN'S regular correspondent, Dr. W. H. Fry, at the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania State Veterinary Medical Association in Philadelphia this week a supply has undertaken to fill the column devoted to Pine Grove and vicinity. While we realize that it would be impossible to equal the Doctor's newsy letters, yet we feel that his readers will all be charitable because he is taking advantage of an opportunity to improve himself in his profession. We notice that he has been made a member of the committee of "animal husbandry" of the state association.

New Advertisements.

NOTICE.—Is hereby given that the following persons have this day filed their petitions in the office of the clerk of the court of quarter sessions asking that license be transferred to them: William Eckert that of C. L. Beck, at Coburn, Harris township. James Noonan that of George Doll, South Ward Bellefonte borough. March 10th, 1904. M. I. GARDNER, Clerk. 49-10-2t

COAL FOR SALE.
Farmers and others desiring to buy the BEST COAL direct from the mines can get it at Fountain Station Mines, two miles east of Snow Shoe by the wagon load. 48-45-2m P. B. CRIDER & SON.

ORPHANS' COURT SALE.—Pursuant to an order of the court of the Orphans' court of Centre county the undersigned will expose to public sale at the court house in Bellefonte, Pa., on SATURDAY, MARCH 26TH, 1904, at 1 o'clock p. m. the following described real estate, late the property of John W. Dunkleberger, of Spring township, deceased.

All that certain messuage, tenement and lot of ground, situate in Pleasant Gap, Centre county, Pa., adjoining lands of Catharine Dunkleberger's, heirs and late of Wm. Ichhoff and fronting 60 feet on Bellefonte and Lewisville turnpikes and extending back 200 feet to lands of Catharine Dunkleberger's heirs containing about one-fourth of an acre. Thereon erected a 2 STORY LOG AND FRAME DWELLING house and stable. Fine fruit and good cistern water on premises.

TERMS OF SALE.—Ten per cent cash on day of sale. Forty per cent on confirmation of sale and balance in one year, with interest to be secured by bond and mortgage on the premises.

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- 5,000 loss of one hand and one foot,
- 2,500 loss of either hand,
- 2,500 loss of either foot,
- 630 loss of one eye,
- 25 per week, total disability; (limit 52 weeks),
- 10 per week, partial disability; (limit 26 weeks).

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A fine line of Rag Carpets beginning at 25c. and going up gradually to the best.

Ingrain Carpets in all the new shades of green and red, and oak colors from 28c. to the best all-wool.

Cottage Carpets at 25 cents per yard.

RUGS.—We have added to our line of Carpets this season a big assortment of Rugs—all the new colors in different sizes at prices that will be a saving. Look at our choice line before you buy.

LINOLEUMS and OIL CLOTHS.—Linoleums in all the new designs, including the new inlaid wood patterns at \$1.00 and up. Oil Cloths from 18 cents per yard up to the best in 2-yards wide.

LACE CURTAINS.—Buying these in large quantities gives us the advantage of selling these at a

great reduction. We can sell them at prices that other merchants have to pay. Our Curtains are all made with fast edges and double threaded nets full length. New, handsome, choice designs from 50c., 75c., 85c., \$1.00 and up.

HEAVY DRAPERIES.—A full line of Heavy Draperies, Curtains, Couch Covers and Tapestry by the yard. All the new solid colors and combined colors, red and green, green and gold, blue and grey, rose and green, from \$4.00 a pair and up. Tapestry by the yard 45c., 56 inches wide.

MATTINGS.—100 new choice styles of China Mattings bought before the advance prices; carpet styles and new block effects, new shades and all colors, from 15c. up to 35c.

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR.—The sale is still on.

SUITS.—A big line new Tailor Suits for dress in the Scotch Tweeds; all colors from 50c. up.

Men's Suits and Overcoats, Children's Clothing and some Furs in the long flat and short flat styles at still greater reduced prices.

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WANTED.—Men to work in clay mines. Only men with families and willing to move into houses immediately, need apply to HARBISON-WALKER CO., Monument, Pa. 49-8-4t

FOR SALE.—Real estate belonging to the estate of Jacob D. Valentine, deceased. All that property 200 feet on Spring street and 60 feet on High street. Containing the old homestead. For further particulars inquire of the heirs on the premises. 49-1-1t

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—Letters testamentary on the estate of Cornelius Dale, late of College township deceased, having been granted the undersigned, all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment and those having claims to present the same, properly authenticated, for payment. GEORGIANA DALE, JNO. M. DALE, Administrators, Bellefonte, Pa. 49-6-6t

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NOTICE.—To workmen who may be misled by employers advertising for men to work in brick yards or clay mines.

On the eighth day of last May, the employees of the Fire Brick Trust, known as the Harbison-Walker refractories company, declared a strike against harsh conditions that were imposed upon them. The strike is still most effectively on. The men are standing firm.

Repeated efforts have been made through the press to secure men by misrepresenting the true condition of affairs. All workmen are cautioned not to believe any reports that conflict with this notice.

The yards and mines of this company are located in the places named below:

Blandburg and Dean in Cambria county, Penna. Clearfield, Woodland, Grampian, Korb, Wallacetown, Morgan Run, Retort and Fatigue in Clearfield county, Penna. Mill Hill, Flemington and Fairandville in Clinton county, Penna. Monument and Philipsburg in Centre county, Penna.

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Lemont.

Jacob Houtz is but little better at this writing.

William E. Grove is at York this week as a delegate from the local church to the United Evangelical conference.

Harry Wagner, of Oak Hall, spent a few days last week in Pottsville, looking up his business interest in those parts.

Many people of Oak Hall have been suffering from grip within the last two weeks, but at present all are much better.

William S. Williams, who has been on the sick list for more than a month, is in town for a few weeks stay before going back to his work again.

William Klime, after enjoying a few days rest at the home of his parents near Oak Hall, returned to his work as a coal miner last Friday.

Linn S. Bottorf and family, of Curwensville; Dr. Fred Dale, of Washington, and David Dale, of Philadelphia, were all at home to attend the funeral of John M. Dale.

Andrew Kerns moved from near Shiloh, where he has been under the employ of George Dale, to the John Osman property, west of State College, Tuesday last week.

William Ingram, who has been residing in the Mrs. Sarah Eiters house, moved from there to Thomas Decker's tenement house last Friday. He intends working for Mr. Decker this year.

Robins and blue birds can be seen in the woods of late which is a promise of spring, and Monday a large flock of wild-geese were seen flying towards the northern waters. It seems that winter can not lose its hold.

Thursday last week, and Monday of this week, were the high water days for this part of Nittany valley, but all the damage done was to the Oak Hall roller mill dam, and that is now repaired and the mill running full force again to make up for the few days lost.

Rev. G. W. Emahiser and wife, of Three Springs, have come to enjoy a few days rest in and around town. The Rev. preached for the United Brethren congregation at Houserville Tuesday evening. He found many faces missing since he was the pastor fifteen years ago, while time has wrought but little change in his appearance and he looks but little older.

It seems as though there is a organized band of chicken thieves in or around this town, for last week P. S. Dale and Mrs. Henrietta Dale, of Oak Hall; Clemet Dale, of Houserville; and Luther Dale, of Pleasant Gap; all had the misfortune to have their hen roosts relieved of a number of fowls. It is hoped by all good citizens that the culprits will soon be brought to justice.

Habersburg.

T. L. Kessinger and family visited friends at Mill Hill Sunday.

Pearl Hoy was a guest of Verna Allison, of Nittany, over Sunday.

Frain Bower, of Mill Hill, is visiting at the home of Albert Williams.

Mrs. Satterfield, of Bellefonte, was a guest of Miss Sophia Rocker over Sunday.

Mrs. George McAnuly visited at the home of her parents at Nittany Saturday.

George Kessinger and family spent Sunday at the home of Wm. Callahan near Flemington.

W. H. Minnich is repairing the house on the Wasson place that he purchased recently and getting it ready for occupancy.

John Bierly and wife, of Parvin, spent several days at the home of E. L. Markle last week before going to York county to make their future home.

The ladies of the Reformed church are to meet at the home of Mrs. J. D. Miller Saturday to do quilting. The proceeds of each one's labor is to be paid into the missionary fund.

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