

To Correspondents.—No communications published unless accompanied by the real name of the writer.

THINGS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTY

The Centre—Clinton baseball league picnic at Snow Shoe yesterday drew a large crowd.

A little baby girl arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Spicer one day last week.

T. B. Motz recently purchased the Mrs. Margaret L. Musser residence for two thousand dollars.

A number of the younger set of Bellefonte enjoyed a dance in the hall of the public building on Wednesday evening.

The snake crop is not as large this summer as usual—outside the "snakes" the regulars set without going out of town.

The Centre county friends of Thomas Blythe, of Madera, sympathize with him in the death of his wife, on Tuesday of last week.

The Manufacturer's Outfit Clothing company has a new advertisement in this issue of the WATCHMAN, which it will pay you to read.

Mrs. Harry Wagner of Milesburg, was brought to the Bellefonte hospital on Wednesday, suffering with a severe attack of typhoid fever.

Mrs. Thomas R. Hayes entertained the choir of the Presbyterian church at supper at her home on north Allegheny street Tuesday evening.

Having spent the last ten days in camp at Gettysburg company B will return home tomorrow; and the soldiers will no doubt be glad to get back.

The farm of the late Henry Keen, of Penn township, was sold at sheriff's sale on Monday, Dr. G. S. Frank, of Millheim, being the purchaser.

Hugh N. Crider has his Buick runabout thoroughly overhauled and repainted and now it not only looks like a new car but runs almost like one.

The open season for upland or grass plover began on July 15th, but the birds are not plentiful enough in Centre county to entice many sportsmen afield.

While feeding a job press in the Centre Democrat office last Friday morning George Derr had his hand caught, one finger broken and two others badly mashed.

John I. Potter and William H. Hamilton, both of whom were on the sick list last week, have recovered to that extent that they are able to be out and around again.

The thirty-sixth annual meeting of the Newton Hamilton camp meeting association will be held August 13th to 25th, and an excellent program has been prepared for the gathering.

Hon. A. A. Stevens, of Tyrone, attended the Prohibition national convention in Columbus, Ohio, last week and was made a member of the national executive committee of the Prohibition party.

William Mosser, of east Lamb street, has not only had his own residence handsomely painted on the outside, but is having the brush applied to the various other houses he owns in different parts of Bellefonte.

The eighth annual reunion of the Reformed people of Lock Haven, Bellefonte and Nittany valley will be held at Hecla park, Thursday, July 30th. The special train will leave Bellefonte at 9 a. m.

After a most delightful outing on Fishing creek the past two weeks the "Has Beens" of Bellefonte broke camp on Tuesday and returned home. Their catch of trout this year was one of the best they ever made.

The Centre Brick and Clay company, organized about eight months ago by a number of Centre county people, have their plant at Orvis about completed and expect to put it in operation in the near future.

The usual morning and evening services in St. John's Reformed church will be omitted next Sunday. Communion services will be held in the Reformed church at Zion next Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock.

A young son of Mr. and Mrs. James Solt, of Logan street, is seriously ill with pneumonia. He first had an attack of the measles and about the time he was recovering caught a cold with the result that pneumonia developed.

Joseph Sellers, of Milesburg, who last week assailed district attorney W. G. Runkle and was arrested and put to jail, was discharged the same evening and it is hardly likely the case against him will be brought before the court.

Supt. J. K. Johnson, of Tyrone, has joined the ranks of automobilists of that town by receiving this week a 30-horse power Rainier car, and now he will likely make some of his trips to Bellefonte in his own automobile instead of by rail.

Brother Charles Shney had his first real hard trial of christian grace the other day and if he went through the ordeal of having his thumb nearly pinched off by getting it caught in his closing safe door without uttering a curs word he ought surely to be one big stride nearer the end of his probation as a lay preacher.

CEMENT BRICKS—During the past week G. W. Hooden, of New Bethlehem, who represents the McIntosh cement brick making machines, has been in Bellefonte experimenting in making cement brick from furnace slag, and the result of his experiments has been so satisfactory that he advocates the organization of a company for the manufacture of the brick.

While cement brick are not a new commodity on the market they are not in universal use simply because their manufacture is limited and they are hardly known outside New York and a few eastern cities. Numerous advantages are claimed for this kind of brick over the common building brick, or even pressed brick, the principal one being that they have greater power of resistance and the older they become the harder they get. They do not scale off, decay or disintegrate in any way and are therefore not only the best but the cheapest brick made.

It is stated that the furnace slag here is especially adapted to the manufacture of cement brick, owing to the high quality of limestone used in fluxing the furnace. The analysis of the slag shows it to contain a large percentage of carbonate of lime, one of the chief qualities of cement. The making of cement brick is different from brick made of clay. The slag is ground and after being mixed with a certain percentage of cement and a small portion of sand is pressed and out, then put out in the open air to dry. It usually takes from eight to ten days to properly cure the brick ready for handling or building purposes.

Just what will result from Mr. Hooden's visit to Bellefonte is very problematical. Of course his prime object here was to demonstrate the efficiency of the McIntosh brick making machine, but at the same time he has shown the possibilities for a good sized industry here in the way of a brick works for utilizing the mountains of slag at the two furnaces here in manufacturing cement brick. Just how much money it would require to build such a plant has not been divulged but the proposition is one that is worth considering by the moneyed men of Bellefonte.

A WARNING TO MERCHANTS.—On or about the 29th of April A. J. Limeburner and C. W. Diekenschied, of Philadelphia, representatives of an organization known as the Business Association of Philadelphia, were in Bellefonte and solicited the aid of quite a number of Bellefonte merchants in a move to have the present mercantile tax law repealed. At the time the WATCHMAN exposed the methods of the association which, while within the pale of the law, had all the evidences of being merely a smooth way of parting the merchant from his money. Other papers throughout the State took the matter up with the result that the officers of the association became very much exercised over it.

Now comes the Retail Merchants' association to the front, a bona fide organization by the way, and through its secretary, A. M. Howes, of Erie, has issued a statement in which they denounce the "irresponsible solicitors at work in many sections of the State soliciting funds for the repeal of the mercantile tax law, and in many cases alleging that they are working in the interest of the Retail Merchants' association." They claim that thousands of dollars have already been collected in that way and warn all merchants not to contribute a cent for any such purpose.

The Retail Merchants' association has one hundred and forty-eight affiliated associations, covering nearly all of the cities and towns in the State, and their individual membership runs into many thousands.

BAILEYVILLE PICNIC.—The sixteenth annual harvest home picnic and reunion of company E. 148 Pennsylvania volunteers, will be held at Baileyville on Saturday, August 8th. Already the people of that locality are making arrangements for the gathering, which is always the big event of the year in west Ferguson township. The amusements will include a game of ball between the Pennsylvania railroad team of Tyrone and the Pine Grove Mills nine, horse racing and other sports. As speakers the program mentions Gen. James A. Beaver, Dr. Edwin Eric Sparks, president of The Pennsylvania State College; J. C. Meyer, and others. The gathering will be in the shape of a basket picnic but refreshments will also be sold on the grounds.

RUSH TOWNSHIP SCHOOL TEACHERS.—At a meeting of the Rush township school board Saturday evening the following teachers were elected to serve the ensuing term: Sandy Ridge grammar, H. A. Detweiler; intermediate, Henrietta Kirk; primary, Bertha Hessong; Edendale grammar, Madge Shugert; primary, John Biddle; Tower grammar, Charles Knapper; primary, Anna Bowers; Klondyke, Annie McMahon; Reese, Cyrus Hutton; Park, Lizzie R. Crum; Point Lookout grammar, May Conway; primary, Mame Flegal; North Phillipsburg grammar, H. E. Stover; primary, Hilda Thomas; Munson grammar, Netta Gunther; primary, Margaret Allen; Moehannon, Bessie McCord.

TO INSTALL ACETYLENE PLANT.—At a meeting of the Country club on Saturday afternoon it was decided to install an acetylene plant there for a better lighting of the buildings and grounds. A committee was appointed to take charge of the matter and they are under instructions to have the plant completed within sixty days. The plant is to have a capacity of one hundred lights, which will be ample to light all the buildings as well as the grounds surrounding the club house, a great improvement over the lamps now in use.

—Allison Brown, Ollie Bricker, William and Marcus Hall, John Candor, Blair Klepper and Kyle Bressler compose a party of Lock Haven young men now camping at Hecla park.

—Joseph Barner was compelled to come home on Monday from the encampment of the National Guard at Gettysburg on account of the serious illness of his five months old son.

—On Methodist day, Thursday, July 30, at Lakemont park, Altoona, Bishop D. H. Moore, D. D., LL. D., and President Samuel Dickie, LL. D., of Albion College, Mich., will be among the speakers. Special music by chorus and orchestra.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Heller, of Clearfield, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Gertrude M., to Joseph S. Knapper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Knapper, of Phillipsburg. Young Knapper was one of the graduates at State College in June and was one of the honor men.

—The funeral of Miss Lizzie Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Jones, of Milesburg, who was killed on the railroad near Bellefonte last Thursday morning, was held on Sunday afternoon and was very largely attended. The services were in the Methodist church at Milesburg, Rev. M. C. Piper officiating. Interment was made in the Carlin cemetery.

—Arthur Fye, the ten year old son of William Fye, of Snyderstown, who three weeks ago had his right arm torn off at the elbow in the McNeill-Haystave mill and the same day underwent an operation in the Bellefonte hospital when the arm was amputated above the injury, is getting along splendidly and in two or three weeks will be able to take home.

—At the annual meeting of the Nittany Country club, held at the club last Saturday there were twenty four members present. All of the old officers were re-elected for the ensuing year. The clay pigeon shoot for the club's silver cup, being the best in one hundred birds, was won by Geo. R. Meek with a score of 98. John J. Bower was second with 95, R. B. Freeman third with 66 and H. C. Quigley fourth with 65.

—Howe's show drew only a small crowd of people to Bellefonte last Friday and most of those went home before the afternoon performance. Since that show's visit here rumors are current that three big shows are booked for Bellefonte before the close of the season, but the railroad officials here state that they have no notification of the kind, and as circuses are always routed several months in advance it looks as if Bellefonte has had the only show it will have this year—unless it is some little one-horse affair.

—The Bell Telephone company of Pennsylvania has a very attractive and interesting advertisement on the sixth page of today's WATCHMAN. It tells you in a few terse sentences just what you lose by not having a telephone; and naturally if you are a lover by not being an subscriber you would make money by being one. They are now making an especially alluring offer for rural line subscribers, which is all explained in a little booklet which will be mailed free for the asking. Read their advertisement this week.

—Prof. A. Reist Rutt, who was so unceremoniously and unfairly ousted from the principalship of the Lower Merion schools, in Montgomery county, because of opposition among the board of directors over the erection of a new High school building, is a candidate for the superintendency of the Altoona schools. In his work in this place nine years ago, six years at Milton and three years at Lower Merion Prof. Rutt proved himself not only an able educator but a competent head of the schools, and we feel confident if he succeeds in securing the appointment at Altoona that he will give a good account of himself.

—One day last week members of a camping party in the Soocata region, where the Panthers generally spend two weeks during the deer season, heard the report of a gun and upon going to investigate found that two men who had been fishing in the Soocata creek had shot a big buck that had gone to the creek for water. The campers followed the men until they drew a revolver and threatened to shoot if they did not go back when they got away without being recognized. Later it was found that the men had out the rear quarters from the deer and left the hide and the remainder of the animal lying in the woods. This is a case where the detective work of a good game warden would be appreciated by all legitimate hunters.

—On Monday morning Ellis Stise, the fireman at the shirt factory, fired up the boilers as usual and when the steam gauge registered about twenty pounds there was an explosion and a rush of escaping steam. When the latter cleared away an examination showed that the manhole on the boiler had been blown off. What caused the accident could not be determined. An inspector had examined the boiler as late as last Thursday and pronounced it in good condition, but there evidently was either a flaw in the cap or defective rivets which weakened the part to that extent that the small steam pressure caused the explosion. In consequence of the accident the factory was shut down until a new cap was received from the foundry and riveted in place. The one fortunate thing about the accident is that no one was close enough to the boiler to be scalded by the escaping steam and hot water.

WHY IS IT?—Why is it that in this ideal agricultural district and season of abundance in crops of all kinds that Bellefonte families have to pay more for produce and berries of every kind at the curb market than the same things can be purchased for in any other town or even city in the State?

As an example: Roasting ears have been in the market the past ten days or two weeks and while they are selling in Philadelphia, Williamsport and other places for fifteen cents a dozen twenty-five cents a dozen is the price demanded in Bellefonte; and the bucksters get it too. Huckleberries are being sold for five and six cents a quart in other markets while bucksters will not take less than eight and ten cents for them in Bellefonte. In fact the berries are being gathered by the bushel and sold to shippers for five cents a quart at Coburn, Howard and other places in the county, while the same people if they offer their berries in the Bellefonte market ask double that price. Huckleberries are even being shipped here and sold for five cents a quart.

As it is with corn and huckleberries so it is with all kinds of produce and berries, while butter and eggs as well as chickens bring equally high prices. Spring chickens, for instance, are bringing eighteen to twenty cents a pound, and not prime chickens at that. While the farmers and bucksters are not to blame for getting all they can for their produce it only seems fair that they should be willing to accept from Bellefonte people the same price they receive when selling to shippers for foreign markets.

RAILROAD COMPANY EXONERATED.—On Monday the coroner's jury composed of Willard Hall, W. Miles Walker, Fred Montgomery, Paul Sheffer and Frank Bartley, with Dr. P. S. Fisher, coroner, met and heard the evidence in the case of the killing of Miss Lizzie Jones, of Milesburg, on the railroad just north of town last Thursday morning. The principal witness was the flagman who was on the rear platform of the train at the time it struck Miss Jones. He testified that he blew the air whistle as a danger signal and also gave the signal to the engineer to stop the train. But the young woman was evidently confused and did not hear the whistle and the train was so close that it could not be stopped in time to avert the accident.

The testimony of the brakeman was corroborated by Rev. Barsinger and several other witnesses and in view of that fact the jury exonerated the railroad company and its employees from all blame.

HOLD UP FOR DAMAGES.—Last Saturday ex-Senator George W. Ketchum, of Newark, N. J., passed through Centre county in his automobile on a trip to Franklin, Pa. Going up Bald Eagle valley he met rural mail carrier E. D. Underwood whose horse frightened at the automobile, ran away and broke his wagon.

Mr. Ketchum and party crossed the mountain to Phillipsburg and upon their arrival there they were held up by chief of police Ira D. Sackey, at the request of rural mail carrier Underwood, who claimed damages for his broken vehicle.

Mr. Ketchum was considerably surprised at the holdup as he claimed he stopped his car as soon as he noticed that the horse was frightened and that therefore it was not his fault that the animal ran away. He refused to settle for any damages and gave bail in the sum of one hundred dollars for his appearance at court, Claude Gette going on his bond.

BUSINESS MEN'S PICNIC PRIVILEGES.—The passenger department of the Central R. R. of Pa. has announced that bids for the various stand privileges at Hecla Park Tuesday, August 18th, account of the Centre-Clinton county business men's picnic, will be received up to noon of August 4th. Those desiring any of the following privileges and such others as may be proper, should get their bids in before that time. Sale will be made to the highest responsible bidder, reserving the right to reject any and all bids:

Ice cream, soft drinks, cigars and tobacco, restaurant, peanuts, fruit, candy, shooting gallery, etc.

BRIDGE CONTRACT AWARDED.—On Thursday last week the commissioners of Centre and Clearfield counties met at the Passmore house in Phillipsburg to open and consider the bids for the building of the Maple street bridge over Moehannon creek, leading from Phillipsburg to Chester Hill. A number of bids were submitted for both steel structure and solid concrete but the contract went to R. A. Scott, of Barenboro, his bid of \$3,484 and the old bridge and abutments, for a solid concrete bridge being the lowest bid. Work on the new bridge will be begun just as soon as things can be gotten in readiness.

BRICK PLANT IN OPERATION.—At six o'clock last Thursday morning the plant of the new Bickford fire brick company near Curwensville was put in operation and it is the expectation of the managers to keep it running steadily from now on, though at present part of the plant is only being run on three-fourths time. This is the plant in which a number of Bellefonters are financially interested.

BELLEFONTE CENTRAL RAILROAD.—The Sunday schools of State College will picnic at Hunters' park July 25th.

The Woodmen of State College will hold their annual reunion at Hunters' park on Saturday, August 1st.

The Crust reunion will be held at Hunters' park Saturday, August 29th.

The Dale family reunion will be held at Oak Hill on Saturday, August 1st.

News Purely Personal

—James Furst Esq., left on Monday on a business trip to Philadelphia.

—Mr. W. D. Port, of Pine Grove Mills, was a WATCHMAN office caller on Tuesday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Albert Peters, of Unionville, spent Sunday with friends in Bellefonte.

—Mrs. James A. Beaver returned on Monday from a visit with friends in Huntingdon.

—Miss May Taylor left on Tuesday for a visit with her brother, Samuel and wife, in New York City.

—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kurts, of Lewisburg, spent Sunday at the senior Kurts home in this place.

—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McCallister spent Wednesday with their many friends at State College.

—Harvey L. Genger came down from Altoona on Saturday and spent Sunday with his parents in this place.

—Dr. D. G. Stewart and M. A. Landay left yesterday on a trip to West Virginia, expecting to be away over Sunday.

—Mrs. Flora F. Dale and two children, Jack and Virginia left on Tuesday for a three weeks sojourn at Ocean City.

—Mr. Monroe Armor spent several days this week visiting his daughter, Mrs. Claude Jones and family, in Tyrone.

—Mr. and Mrs. Templeton Cruise, of Pittsburg, are visiting his mother, Mrs. Josephine Cruise, on Howard street.

—William Kneefe, a former resident of Bellefonte but now living in Lock Haven, spent several days here this week.

—Mrs. Henrietta Nolan and daughter, Miss Anna, returned on Friday from a visit with friends in Clearfield county.

—Mr. William Corl, of Oweola Mills, spent a few hours in Bellefonte between trains on Saturday while on his way to Williamsport.

—Mr. and Mrs. John Royer and child, of Altoona, came to Bellefonte on Saturday for an over-Sunday visit with Mr. Royer's parents.

—John H. Beck, one of Walker township's most successful farmers, was a Bellefonte visitor on Tuesday and a caller at the WATCHMAN office.

—Mrs. C. M. Parrish with her little son Joseph and Miss Anna Fox are among the Bellefonters who spent the past ten days at Atlantic City.

—Nelson E. Robb and family, of Harrisburg, are spending a week or so at the home of Mrs. Robb's parents, Dr. and Mrs. P. S. Fisher, of Zion.

—Misses Hazel Cook and Elizabeth Platts have just returned from a delightful little trip to Williamsport and Muncy as guests of Mrs. M. J. Levan.

—Miss Paterbaugh, of Huntingdon, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Bezer, several days this week, returning home on Wednesday.

—Mrs. E. C. Dreker, Miss Catharine Dreker, Miss Francis J. Overton and Miss Mame Robins, of Wilkesbarre, have been guests the past week of Miss Helen Overton.

—Mrs. C. T. Massey and little daughter Anna, of Philadelphia, are making their customary summer visit with her mother, Mrs. Susan Powers, on east Lamb street.

—Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKnight with their two little daughters, came up last Friday from Philadelphia for a two weeks visit in Buffalo Run with Misses Margaret and Martha McKnight.

—Miss Bessie Sharp, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Sharp, formerly of this place but now of Pittsburg, arrived in Bellefonte on Tuesday evening for a brief visit as the guest of Miss Mianie Cole.

—James Wilson and Roy Rittman, of Altoona, came to Bellefonte last Friday to see Hones' circus and so favorably impressed were they with the town at this time of year that they remained over Sunday.

—Miss Ann Harris, of this place, who spent two weeks at Longfellow in the Juniata valley camping with a party of Tyroneans, was one of the witnesses at the Stevens-Crawford wedding in Harrisburg on July 10th.

—Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur F. Harris and little daughter, of Mechanicsburg, have been in Bellefonte this week for their summer visit at the home of Mr. Harris' mother, Mrs. Henry P. Harris, on Howard street.

—Having spent most of last week in Tyrone Mr. and Mrs. Hugh N. Crider arrived in Bellefonte on Saturday night and are now at the Crider home on Linn street while preparing to go to housekeeping on or about August first.

—Mr. and Mrs. Sias M. Wetmore, of Spartanburg, S. C., who are now with Mrs. Wetmore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Matilda A. Dale, at Lemont, were Bellefonte visitors on Monday, guests of Dr. and Mrs. David Dale, at the Brockerhoff house.

—Mrs. Rachel Harris with her daughters Jennie, Anne and Mary and her son George, who has been here from Pittsburg for part of his vacation, left for Atlantic City yesterday morning for a stay of several weeks and, possibly, longer.

—Gen. James A. Beaver went to New York last Friday for a week where he spent several days with his son Gilbert and family on that farm of his outside New York city and on Tuesday of this week he continued his trip to Boston, Mass.

—After a two weeks vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John P. Rockey, of Zion, Arthur Rockey left on Saturday for Boston, where he holds a good position as a machinist. He was accompanied to the Ben city by his brother Harry.

—Miss Mary Hamilton was in Patton last week, one of a house party being entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Harvey S. Lingie. Among the other guests mentioned are Edward Jones, of Bellefonte, Thomas and Miss Nancy McClain, of Spangler.

—Charles E. Dorworth, political writer on the Philadelphia Press, is spending his midsummer vacation at the home of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. S. Dorworth, in this place; Mrs. Dorworth and Charles E. Jr., having been here the past month or more.

—Mrs. Ada Weaver Fairlamb, of Philadelphia has been spending the past week with the Misses Weaver of Howard street. This is really part of a summer vacation in this part of the State as Mrs. Fairlamb has been with her sister in DuBois and will later visit another sister in Lock Haven.

—J. B. Mays, of the marble firm of J. B. Mays and son, of Lemont, was a brief business visitor in Bellefonte on Monday. He is now quite a busy man as in addition to his marble works at Lemont and Howard he recently established plants at Milton and Watsonown, so that most of his time is divided between the two latter places.

—Since harvest has been on the farmers are all too busy to leave the farm unless it is a case of absolute necessity and this was probably the reason that Mrs. Elizabeth Corl, of Pennsylvania Furnace, came to Bellefonte last Saturday to do the family shopping. Before leaving town she made a pleasant little call at the WATCHMAN office.

—Mrs. George A. Bezer with her son Herbert and little daughter Eleanor spent last week visiting friends in Huntingdon and on Saturday Mr. Bezer went over in his Buick car and brought them home on Sunday. He made the trip by way of Pennsylvania Furnace, Seven Stars, Spruce Creek and Petersburg, and was about four hours on the road coming home; which included a stop to fix a punctured tire.

—Dr. and Mrs. E. S. Simpson left last Saturday for their future home in Scranton.

—Miss Louise Brachbill left yesterday noon for a visit with friends in Phillipsburg.

—Mrs. Harry Stevenson and Mrs. Jesse Underwood and little daughter are visiting their father, William L. Allen at Mt. Pocono.

—Miss Mary G. Meek went to Pittsburg on Tuesday for a two weeks visit with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas King Morris and Thomas King Jr.

—G. W. Ward, of Pittsburgh, is here for a visit of a week with his brother Dr. J. E. Ward and relatives about his old home at Pine Grove Mills.

—Judge and Mrs. Ellis L. Orvis and Col. and Mrs. J. L. Spangler left on Tuesday in one of Lingie's automobiles for a few days tour through the central part of the State.

—Since her son, De Lee B. Woodcock, has gone to Europe Mrs. Anna C. Woodcock has decided to spend most of the time in McConnellsburg, where she will go to-day and remain indefinitely.

—Among our callers on Wednesday was John Blanchard Esq., who, recognizing that one of the necessary things in every well regulated household was the WATCHMAN, had us enroll Mrs. Blanchard's name as a subscriber.

—Mrs. Frank Claybaugh and son Blair, of Huntingdon, are guests at the W. H. Hamilton home on Penn street; having stopped in Bellefonte while on their way home from Linden where they were members of a camping party last week.

—S. G. Gearhart, of Sunbury, president of the fourth Pennsylvania district of the Young Men's Christian Association, was in Bellefonte on Wednesday making the preliminary arrangements for the annual convention which this year will be held in this place in October.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Lukenbach, with their children came down from Tyrone on Saturday and have been spending the week auto motoring and driving through Penn and Brush valleys, where many of Frank's relatives live, and where the latch-string always hangs out to make the visitor welcome.

—Dr. Nannie Glenn, of State College, is now in Latrobe where she was called last Saturday to attend the funeral of her niece, Miss Cook, who visited her for several weeks last February. Miss Cook was suffering from nervous prostration when her sister died last Christmas and the shock was so severe that she never recovered but became gradually worse until her death last week.

—Mr. and Mrs. August Wakeland and daughter, of Philadelphia, arrived in Bellefonte on Wednesday and will spend three weeks or a month here. Mr. Wakeland is a member of Wakeland & Marston, general agents for the New England Mutual Life Insurance company with headquarters in the Bullitt building, Philadelphia.

Several months ago he was seriously sick and was compelled to undergo an operation in the John's Hopkins hospital, Baltimore, and now that he is convalescing he came to Bellefonte for the benefit of his health.

—Mr. and Mrs. Levi M. Johnson and Mrs. Mary Nolan, of Chicago, are at present the guests of Mrs. Walker and Miss Shortridge, on Linn street. Although Mr. Johnson married a Centre county girl this is his first visit here and we are glad to know he is so pleased that he plans to make it an annual summer event, his trip down to Fishing creek consummating the decision. Since he was our guest it would not be courteous to tell how hard to him were some of his inchoate experiences but since he landed some trout and was so pleased with our camp that he wants to buy the whole stream and accessories we leave to the reader's imagination what would make a good story for the funny page of a Sunday edition.

—The annual reunion of the Williams family this year will be held in Beckwith's grove at Port Matilda, instead of in the John Q. Miles grove, in Huston township, as heretofore. The following committees have been appointed to make arrangements for the gathering, which will be held on Saturday, August 29th:

Committee on Finance—A. B. Williams, Ernest Spotts and J. N. Williams, all of Port Matilda.

Music—J. A. Williams, Port Matilda, and R. K. Hartscock and James R. Williams, of Martha.

Transportation—G. G. Fink and H. S. Williams, of Martha.

Obituary—William H. Williams, of Port Matilda, and A. Y. Williams and David Gingerich, of Martha.

—Huckleberry pickers in Centre county receive five cents a quart from the shippers for the berries delivered. Some pickers average \$1.50 to \$1.75 a day at above price.

Bellefonte Produce Markets.

Corrected weekly by Seclier & Co.

Potatoes, per bushel.....	75
Onions.....	75
Eggs, per dozen.....	18
Butter, per pound.....	10
Country Shoulders.....	8
Sides.....	8
Hams.....	12 1/2
Tallow, per pound.....	8
Butter, per pound.....	15

Bellefonte Grain Market.

Corrected weekly by C. Y. WAGNER.

The following are the quotations up to 11:00 o'clock, Thursday evening, when our paper goes press:

Wheat.....	82
Wheat—No. 2.....	80
Corn.....	70
Corn—shelled, per bushel.....	70
Corn, ears, per bushel.....	60
Old and new, per bushel.....	60
Barley, per bushel.....	60
Ground Flaxseed, per ton.....	8 50 to 9 50
Blackseed, per bushel.....	3.75 to 3.85
Cloverseed, per bushel.....	3.00 to 3.10
Timothy seed per bushel.....	2.00 to 2.25

Philadelphia Markets.

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

Wheat—No. 2.....	84 1/2
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Corn—Yellow.....	74 1/2
" " Mixed New.....	69 1/2
Oats.....	56 1/2
Flour—Winter, Per Br.....	3.50 to 3.65
" " Spring, Per Br.....	3.70 to 3.85
" " Favorite Brands.....	3.75 to 3.90
Rye Flour Per Br.....	4.40 to 4.50
Saled hay—Choice.....	11.00 to 11.50
" " Mixed.....	8.50 to 10.00

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