

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

THINGS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTY

Doll baby shoes all sizes and colors 15 cents, at Yeager's.

Miss Mary McQuiston entertained her tenants at dinner three o'clock Thursday afternoon.

W. G. Lye entertained eight of his friends at a stag banquet at Blackford's last Saturday night.

Miss Carrie Weaver, one of the teachers at the Midway, is housed up with an attack of pneumonia.

W. Harrison Walker has decided to be a candidate for the nomination for Congress in this district next year.

William Markle has resigned his position at the Pennsylvania match factory and is now employed at the court house.

Mrs. John Dersine has so improved in health that she was able to be removed from the Bellefonte hospital to her home yesterday.

E. J. Williams has recovered from a threatened attack of pneumonia and is again at his work as clerk to the county commissioners.

R. Russell Blair and Miss Helen Bible, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George P. Bible of Philadelphia, will be married on Tuesday, December 25th.

White sawing wood with a circular saw on the Reynolds farm near Roopsburg, on Wednesday, John Spearely had his right arm caught in the saw and badly cut.

While delivering papers over his route on Tuesday evening Harvey Steele, one of the carriers for the Bellefonte Daily, fell and broke his right arm just above the wrist.

Roy and Clayton Martz, sons of Mr. and Mrs. William Martz, of Tusseyville, are quite ill with typhoid fever. The former is sixteen years of age and the latter eight.

James Rine has returned from Philadelphia where he received treatment for his eyes. While no operation was performed he was very much benefited and is now able to see fairly well.

Only seven more shopping days until Christmas. If you have not yet selected a present for that friend at a distance don't forget that the WATCHMAN will make a most acceptable gift.

On Tuesday evening fire destroyed the saw mill and a quantity of lumber of J. C. Nason, of Julian, located out near Beaver Mills. The loss is about two thousand dollars on which there was only a small insurance.

There are a number of cases of typhoid fever among the foreign population in the vicinity of Coleville and it is the belief that it is the result of drinking the water of that section which was so low as likely to be effected.

On Sunday Pete Saylor and his gang of workmen established a new record by leading just fifty cars with slag at the dump at the Bellefonte furnace for shipment to Northumberland, and at that, it didn't take them all day to do the work.

Conrad Friday, of Phillipsburg, a track foreman on the Tyrone and Clearfield railroad, on Tuesday received a check for fifty dollars, the prize awarded by the railway company to the foreman having the best piece of track on the Tyrone division.

Miss Eva M. Meyer, daughter of Prof. W. T. Meyer, of Philadelphia, but formerly of this place, was married on Wednesday to Fred Craunton, of Philadelphia. The bridegroom holds a good position at the Reading terminal in the Quaker city.

William Rees, father of deputy revenue collector G. W. Rees, recently, celebrated his ninetieth birthday anniversary. While his health has not been of the best the past year or so he is still in full possession of all his faculties and a remarkably well preserved man.

John L. Nighthart was one of a party of hunters who in two days last week bagged twenty-one rabbits. The rabbit season, by the way, closed on Tuesday and the only game now open to the hunters are bears. These can be hunted up until but not including January first.

There is probably not a prouder groceryman in Bellefonte just now than Mr. Hammon Seebler, though it is not because of a big boom in business but because he is grandpa, his daughter, Mrs. William A. Kirby, of Trappe, Md., having become the mother of a fine baby boy one day last week.

Noah H. Swayne III is the name of a young man who arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Noah H. Swayne II, in Philadelphia one day recently; and inasmuch as it is their first born they are very proud and happy in receiving the congratulations of their friends over such a momentous event.

D. Wagner Geiss is certainly in hard luck. Some time ago he was confined to the house two weeks or longer with tonsillitis and when he recovered and was able to get around his physician advised him to be careful or he would contract rheumatism as a result of the disease. Whether he caught cold or not is not known, but now he is confined to bed with a very bad attack of inflammatory rheumatism.

WHERE TO SHOP.—The WATCHMAN goes to its readers today in the regular Christmas attire and we have every reason to believe that it will please all who receive it. But it is not of our efforts in giving this Christmas edition that we wish to speak but of the merchants who have taken advantage of this extra paper to tell you what they have in the lines of Christmas presents. The big bulk of the Christmas shopping is yet to do and WATCHMAN readers are asked to consult the advertisements in this issue. All of them are genuine and every merchant is responsible for everything he advertises.

If you want anything in the clothing line you will have ample opportunity of making a suitable selection at either Faubles, Montgomery & Co., or Claster's. Each one of the above have a line of clothing so wide in range and price that all classes and all purses can be suited. If you give them a call we are sure you will not be disappointed.

There is nothing nicer for a Christmas present than jewelry and if you will consult the advertisement of F. P. Blair & Co., in this issue you will find what a wide range of articles you will have to select from if you go there to do your shopping. Everything in the jewelry line that man, woman or child may desire. Their display of brass work is the most elaborate of any seen in Bellefonte.

For general merchandise there is no place in Bellefonte where you will find a better all-around assortment than at the big store of Lyon & Co. They carry everything in the line of dry goods, dress goods, ladies' suits, shoes, novelties and even clothing. It is an emporium in which you can buy a gift for every member of the family.

But if it is shoes only you are looking for, why not go at once to Yeager's shoe store in the Bush Arcade. He has a line that is always pleasing and fits easy to the feet. The line he carries is as large and select as any in Centre county and you will have no trouble in making a suitable selection there.

Of course at Christmas time there is always a trend towards toys, books, etc., as the most appropriate gift. If you are looking for anything of this kind, The Index is the place you want to go. Their line is unsurpassed for toys, books and novelties of all kinds. In fact it is one of the busiest places in the town for Christmas shoppers.

Of course The Index is not the only place in Bellefonte where you can get something nice, and one of the others is Green's Pharmacy. There they have such a bewildering array of nice things that you will be puzzled which to take, but always sure to buy before you leave the store. Their line is always right in style, quality and price. But Christmas is not entirely a gift-giving time. Everybody anticipates a big dinner on that day and, of course, in preparing it you will need groceries, etc. Or R. S. Brouse. You will be sure to get anything you want, and the best at that, at either place. For your Christmas bread, cakes and candies the only place to go is Ceader's bakery. They have a full assortment of everything so that you will have no trouble in making a selection.

From present indications Christmas season will be cold and if you have a needy friend who you want to remember in a way that will be appreciated send him a load of coal. The kind to send you can find out by consulting the advertisement of Edward K. Rhoads in this issue. But if your friend is a farmer and burns wood, send him a set of harness from Schofield's saddlery. That will be sure to please him.

And finally, after you have made all your selections for friends at home send the WATCHMAN to your friend at a distance and he or she will be the best satisfied of all. May you all have a Merry Christmas.

STATE FISH COMMISSIONERS MEET.—The annual meeting of the state board of fish commissioners was held at the Bellefonte hatchery on Wednesday. In addition to fish commissioner W. E. Meehan there were present John Hamberger, of Erie; Andrew R. Whitaker, of Phoenixville; Henry C. Cox, of Wellsboro; chief warden J. W. Crisswell, of Steelton, and Miss Anna Metz, secretary of the board.

The report of the fish commissioner for the year was approved. It showed that the output from the state hatcheries for the year would aggregate the unparalleled total of 1,144,351,264 fry, divided as follows: Carry hatchery, 4,239,300; Erie, 244,138-245; Bellefonte, 3,577,082; Wayne, 481,889,900; Torresdale, 156,551,183; Union City, 161,760,900; Crawford, 91,385,900; Spruce Creek, 540,625. During the year considerable attention was given to the field work of the department which consisted of gathering eggs of different species of fish which had been caught for marketable purposes.

The commissioner reported that fewer arrests were made the past year than formerly, the total number being 387, of which number 336 were convicted and fined. Thirty-seven cases are still pending in the courts. Yesterday the board heard evidence regarding the status of Penns Creek as a trout stream but of course, no decision was announced.

DECLAMATORY CONTEST AT ACADEMY.—The annual declamatory contest for the Bellefonte Academy on Monday. There were ten contestants and of this number Gilbert Myers, of Pittsburg, took first prize, his subject being 'The World's Stories.' The second prize was awarded to John Love, son of ex-Judge John G. Love, of this place, who spoke on 'Heat, the Source of Power.'

Men's good quality Areties \$1.25, at Yeager's.

The Bellefonte Academy basketball team played their first game of the season with the Juniata college at Huntingdon on Friday evening and were defeated by the score of 36 to 25. Their next game will not be played until after the holiday vacation.

The many friends of Col. E. R. Chambers will be glad to know that he is so much improved in health now that he is inspired with the belief that he will recover entirely and is now looking around for a suitable office in which to resume the practice of law.

This (Friday) evening Sydney Landon, the character artist, will appear in Petriken hall as the third number in the Y. M. C. A. Star course of entertainments. Mr. Landon has appeared in many of the large cities of the country and is considered among the best impersonators of the present day.

Ladies' gun metal button shoes \$2.50 at Yeager's.

An alarm of fire about eleven o'clock on Tuesday night created more or less excitement until it was learned that the fire was at Coleville and consisted only of a smoke house belonging to a house occupied by an Italian family. The flames were confined to the smoke house, though it was burned to the ground.

On Sunday morning Mrs. Samuel Coble, of Reservoir hill, took an overdose of laudanum and only the prompt and energetic work of the attending physicians saved her life. Mrs. Coble was troubled with neuralgia and whether she took the drug as a relief or with suicidal intent because of domestic troubles is not known.

One or more of the dairymen who furnish milk to the people of Bellefonte have increased the price from six to seven cents a quart. This is because the farmers from whom they get their supply have increased their price from three to four cents a quart. Thus the people of Bellefonte not only have to pay more for what they eat and wear but the milk they use as well.

Ladies' Pat Colt cloth top shoes \$3, at Yeager's.

On Tuesday last week D. Harry Shively bought the restaurant conducted by James Summers in Crider's Exchange, at sheriff's sale, for \$380. On Thursday evening he sold a half interest in the same to Harry Irvin, and the two of them are now conducting the same, with Wallace Kerster as chef. James Summers took Mr. Kerster's place as cook in Moersbacher's restaurant.

One of the busiest companies in this section just now is the Nittany Valley railroad company. The operation of the Nittany furnace and the handling of all its traffic over that road has given them all they can do, and now they are stocked all along the line with train loads of coke, lake ore and iron. The Central Railroad of Pennsylvania is also very busy handling their immense freight traffic.

The students in the primary department of the Bellefonte Academy are now making their collection and contribution for the annual Christmas donation to the poor and needy. Already a large amount of clothing, books, toys, and games have been contributed and the donation this year promises to be the largest ever made. Competent persons will be in charge of the distribution which will be made just before Christmas.

Ladies' felt sole slippers 75 cents, at Yeager's.

The big chimney on the new High school house was completed on Tuesday and yesterday the slaters completed the roof. The heating system is so nearly completed that the boilers have been fired up and the building inside is partially heated. All the windows have been put in and workmen are now engaged putting down the concrete floors in the halls. The plasterers have also commenced putting on the lath ready for plastering.

Col. H. S. Taylor had a narrow escape from being badly injured and perhaps killed on Wednesday. He was assisting in the unloading of the boilers for the heating plant in the court house and took hold of the snub rope which was supposed to hold the boiler. The rope had not been properly snubbed and when the boiler started to roll the colonel was not able to hold it, and aside from that he was caught and dragged with the rope. His overcoat was torn from his back and if the boiler had rolled five feet further he would have been drawn in with the rope and crushed to death.

Homer W. Jackson, recently made head of the Poultry department at State, spent Tuesday night in town encouraging the permanent organization of a Centre county poultry association which up to this time has had rather a feeble existence. Mr. Jackson has for years conducted an experimental poultry farm near Cambridge, Ohio, the results of his experience furnishing material for the many interesting articles published in the Practical Farmer. He is one of the few poultry men rich in theory and practice and being an inventor has inaugurated some experiments which he will continue at State and which will undoubtedly be of great benefit to the poultry business. A leader of his knowledge and enthusiasm will soon put the department at State on a plan equal to that of Guelph, Ontario under Graham and of Cornell under Rice.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.—On Wednesday of last week Mr. and Mrs. Ezekiel Confer celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their comfortable home in Boggs township and the event was a close second in importance to their marriage fifty years ago; and both Mr. and Mrs. Confer were as happy on this occasion as they were then, though it was a happiness of a life well lived, the full fruition of their youthful dreams.

Quite a large number of friends and neighbors were present in addition to their children and families and other relatives, and Mr. and Mrs. Confer were kindly and very beautifully remembered with gifts of gold, silver, china, cut glass, linen, etc. A big dinner was one of the features of the day, but this was not all for there was speech-making and music, the most of the latter being rendered by a grand-daughter, Miss Ruth Confer. Congratulatory greetings from C. C. Bingham were read by another grand daughter, Miss Cora Confer.

Mr. and Mrs. Confer have been practically life-long residents of Boggs township and are among its best and most highly esteemed citizens. For more than fifty years they have been members of the United Brethren church and always liberal contributors to the support of church work.

Three of their thirteen children are dead but the ten still living, all of whom were present at this joyful celebration, are as follows: Mrs. Jennie Lucas, Ira Confer, George Confer, Jerome Confer, Jesse Confer, Mrs. Emma Watson, Irvin Confer, Mrs. Elizabeth McCartney and Edward Confer, all of whom live in Centre county. All of their thirty-four grand-children were also present. Other friends there were: Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Confer, Joseph Paoker and sister, Miss Jennie Paoker, of Howard; Mrs. Joseph Walker, of Flemington; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shultz, of Curtis; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Lucas, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Shawley, and Mr. and Mrs. David Tanner, all of Fairview; and Mrs. Amelia Paoker and Miss Ethel Woomer, of Pleasant Valley.

CENTRE COUNTY TO BE REPRESENTED.

Following the recent activities along the line of fruit growing in our county, which indeed is a matter of importance to the interests involved, there are arrangements now being made to insure the greatest measure of success to the movement. Among other things proposed, it is expected that a fine display of fruit will be sent to the coming meeting of the State Horticultural association which convenes at Tankhannock, Wyoming county, about the middle of January. Great preparations are being made to guarantee to those attending one of the most interesting sessions ever held in the life of the association. Expert fruit growers will be there to help all who are in need of such in their several lines, it will be a rich treat to all who attend. Many of the counties throughout the State have signified their intention of having a display of fine fruit there. It will be an excellent opportunity for Centre county to show herself as a possessor of a future fruit growing section. Let everyone who can assist along this line get busy and see or communicate with the president of the Centre county Fruit Growers association, Cyrus Brungart, of Centre Hall. He will give further information. The next meeting of the county association should be well attended. Prof. R. L. Watts, of State College Experiment station, will be the chief speaker. Farther announcements later.

RESIGNATION OF DR. WELSH.—Public announcement was made on Tuesday evening of the resignation of Dr. Judson P. Welsh as vice president and dean of colleges at The Pennsylvania State College, to take effect after the next annual commencement in June, 1910. Dr. Welsh tendered his resignation to the board of trustees on Pennsylvania Day but the matter was kept a secret until public announcement of the fact was made on Tuesday evening. Dr. Welsh came to State College from the Bloomsburg State Normal school at the opening of college in 1906 as vice president, financial agent and registrar. In the four years he will be at the college when his resignation takes effect he gave his work close attention and the years to come may show in result the full measure of his work there.

PRIMARIES ON JANUARY 22ND.—The primaries for the regular February election in 1910 will be held on Saturday afternoon, January 22nd. Inasmuch as it is optional with the county commissioners whether the primaries be held under the old system or in accordance with the new primaries law, the commissioners of Centre county have decided to have the primaries held under the old system. In fact this is the only way they have been held in this county of late years, as it is less expensive than under the new law. The above primaries will be the last spring primaries to be held as the amendment to the constitution, passed at the recent election, abolishes the February election after 1910.

GRANGE ELECTS OFFICERS.—At a regular meeting of Washington Grange last Saturday afternoon the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Master, Prof. T. I. Maize; overseer, W. K. Corli; lecturer, C. L. Goodling; steward, A. O. Tyson; chaplain, N. C. Neidigh; treasurer, M. O. Hoy; secretary, Mrs. S. I. Corli; gatekeeper, Samuel Greenoble; cere, Mrs. I. M. Harvey; pomona, Mrs. Belle Neidigh; flora, Mrs. C. L. Goodling; lady assistant steward, Miss Lizzie Tyson; insurance agent, John T. McCormick. The installation will take place on the first day of January, 1910, when John M. Dale, county deputy, will officiate as installing officer.

GREGG POTS ELECTS OFFICERS.—At a regular meeting last Saturday evening Gregg Post elected the following officers: Commandant, Anne Garbriek; senior vice commander, Joseph Alters; junior vice commander, Herman Miller; sergeant, Monroe Armer; chaplain, James H. Dobbin; officer of the day, John I. Curtin; officer of the guard, Charles Eckenroth; quartermaster, H. B. Pontin; trustee, S. H. Williams, representative, W. H. Munser.

News Purely Personal

Miss Marguerite Potter is visiting Mrs. Robert Fay, of Altoona.

Mrs. John Noll is visiting her daughter, Mrs. George N. VanDyke, in Altoona.

Mrs. Joseph Baker and Mrs. Smith, of Altoona, spent Tuesday in Bellefonte.

Herbert Sheffer was over from Milroy in the beginning of the week visiting his parents.

Dr. James A. Thompson, of Port Matilda, was a business visitor in town on Wednesday.

Miss Lulu McMillen, of Hecla, spent Sunday in Bellefonte as the guest of Miss Mary Coador.

Miss Mary Hoy will be home Monday after spending three weeks with relatives in Winburne.

Judge and Mrs. John G. Love returned from Clifton Springs yesterday, greatly benefited by a two weeks rest.

Miss Mary Thomas, who has been for several months in Bellefonte, left Saturday for her home in Philadelphia.

Miss Janet Scott, who is at school at Summit, N. J., will be home next week to spend Christmas with her mother.

After a visit of several weeks with her parents in this place Miss Ida Wolf returned to her sister in Altoona yesterday.

Mrs. T. K. Morris and her son Thomas King Morris, of Pittsburg, are in Bellefonte for the remainder of the winter.

Mrs. James L. Potter came to Bellefonte Monday after a ten days visit with Mr. and Mrs. James L. Somerville at Winburne.

C. O. Dunlop, of Leek Haven, was in Bellefonte this week looking up some records for a Pittsburg Title and Trust company.

Miss Bees Thompson, of Lemont; Mrs. Shaffer, of Altoona, and Mrs. George Boal Thompson, of Alto, spent last week shopping in Philadelphia.

Frederic Reynolds will be home Thursday of next week from St. Georges, Newport, to spend Christmas with his parents, Col. and Mrs. W. F. Reynolds.

W. W. L. Glenn with Miss Annie Glenn, of State College, will go to Brooklyn next week, to spend the Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Kottkamp.

Mrs. Thomas Brett, of Perry, Kan., is now at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Neff, at Curtis, called there on account of the serious illness of her mother.

Landlord Thomas W. Faxon, of Rebersburg, transacted business in Bellefonte on Wednesday, and from his healthy appearance life down Brush valley must immensely agree with him.

T. Clayton Brown, who underwent an operation in Philadelphia two weeks ago and has since been here under treatment, has almost recovered and expects to be home today or tomorrow.

W. B. Mingle, of Centre Hall, was in Bellefonte Wednesday night and yesterday and he told it as a noteworthy fact that that was the second night he spent in Bellefonte in twenty years.

Mrs. Harold Bemis Shattuck, of State College, was in Bellefonte on a shopping expedition on Wednesday and took time to call on a number of her friends. Before her marriage she was Miss Elizabeth Stuart.

Norris Hope left Bellefonte on Wednesday for Yucatan, Mexico, where he will investigate the agricultural and lumber conditions with a view of making some investments. He expects to be away about a year.

Mrs. Chester Walker, who with her baby Elizabeth has been at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome A. Confer, at Yarell, the past six weeks or more, left for her home in Appah, W. Va., yesterday.

Mrs. Edna Meyer went to Philadelphia on Tuesday to attend the Cranston-Meyer wedding on Wednesday. Before returning home she will be a guest for a few days at the home of Dr. W. S. McCalmont, a former Centre countian.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Lawrence, of Cooperstown, North Dakota, are in Bellefonte on an indefinite time visiting with Mrs. Lawrence's sister, Mrs. J. C. Harper. Mrs. Lawrence will be remembered as Miss Emma Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis H. Beck, of Nittany, were in Bellefonte on Wednesday doing some Christmas shopping. And to be sure that the editor was not left out in the cold they called at the WATCHMAN office and renewed their paper for an other year.

William Stewart, of Seattle, is in Bellefonte on his annual visit to his mother, Mrs. Patsy Stewart. While in the east he will combine business with pleasure and negotiate for a supply of his own to be used in his big salmon canning industry up in Alaska.

Emmanuel Joseph, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Joseph, will leave today to spend his holiday vacation of three weeks with friends in New York city. Mrs. Joseph will go to New York immediately after the Holidays for her annual visit of six weeks or two months.

Mr. and Mrs. Burlingame, of Syracuse, N. Y., and Mrs. Burlingame's mother, Mrs. M. P. Burnett, called last week for Paris, France, where they went at this time for the benefit of Mrs. Burnett's health; and which naturally will make the length of their stay quite indefinite.

Harry Lyon, of Lyontown, was a WATCHMAN office caller on Wednesday. He is always one of the busiest men employed by the American Lime and Stone company and when he makes a visit it is generally on business, and his business here that day was to fix his paper all right for another year.

Wilson I. Fleming on Monday took Mary Klingler, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Klingler, along to Harrisburg with him where she will spend a week or more with Mr. and Mrs. Ward Fleming; the latter to bring her home when they come to Bellefonte next week for the Christmas season.

James A. Beaver Miller returned from Pittsburg on Sunday evening, where he had been undergoing treatment in a private sanitarium. He gained thirteen pounds while away and looks in the best of health. On Monday he opened up his law office for the practice of law with Miss Violet Longacre as stenographer.

Among the Christmas shoppers in Bellefonte on Wednesday were Mr. and Mrs. Phil D. Foster, of State College. The former took a few minutes to size up the improvements to the court house and we just wonder if he was not a little bit envied that the work had not been done before so that he would have had the benefit of the enlarged offices when he was county treasurer.

Last Thursday Col. H. S. Taylor, captain Robert F. Hunter and Col. J. Locke and Major Thomas Beaver went to Philadelphia to attend the annual meeting of the National Guard association of Pennsylvania. The colonel and two captains returned on Saturday evening but Major Beaver not only remained over Sunday but took a run down to Washington for a day or so, returning home on Tuesday.

HURT ON RAILROAD, DIED.—William Donnelly, a native of Centre county, died in the Leek Haven hospital on Wednesday evening from injuries received on the P & E. railroad at Driftwood early the same morning. Donnelly was flagman on a freight train and while at Driftwood he was struck by a switching engine, knocked down and run over. One leg was completely severed and the other one so badly crushed that had he lived an amputation would have been necessary. A brother of the unfortunate young man followed on the next westbound train and learning of his brother's accident, took him to the Leek Haven hospital where it was found that he was so weak from the loss of blood that it was impossible to perform an operation and he died in about four hours.

Deceased was a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Donnelly and was born at Julian about twenty-four years ago. He had been rail-roading several years and made his headquarters at Renovo. His parents are both dead but surviving him are the following brothers and sisters: John, Charles, Anna and Martha Donnelly, all of Clearfield; Aaron and Mrs. James Diok, of Julian; Miss Mina, of Renovo, and Mrs. Benjamin Bequest, of Bellefonte.

The remains were taken to Julian on Saturday morning and the same afternoon the funeral was held from the Methodist church in that place.

SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT.—The coming of John A. Eby, of Aaronsburg, to Bellefonte Friday night, December 17th, marks a forward movement in the religious life for men in this town. Mr. Eby is one of the greatest men in the country as a specialist in talking to men. The ministers, the prominent men, all the active workers from all the churches, the board of directors of the Y. M. C. A. will give him a reception and banquet at 6:15 at the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Eby will give a short address and preparations will be made for the great services to follow. There will be a service for boys Saturday morning at 9:30; a service of prayer Sunday morning at 9:30 in the Y. M. C. A. parlors; at 10:30 he will speak in the Presbyterian church; in the theatre at 3:30 he will speak in the theatre to men only. Russell Blair will sing a solo, boys chorus and Smith's orchestra will furnish the music.

In the evening there will be a Union service for men in the Methodist church and a Union service for women in the Presbyterian church followed by special after services for men and women. It is expected that this short series of Evangelical services will awaken great interest in the religious life for men in this city.

The long continued drought was broken in part at least on Monday. After a slight fall of snow and sleet on Sunday night it began raining on Monday morning and continued in a steady downpour all day and late in the evening. While the ground was frozen and probably did not take up as much water as it otherwise would, all the streams in the county were raised considerably. Spring creek had over a two foot foot from normal level in this place. In Buffalo Run valley the water at some points covered the tracks of the Bellefonte Central railroad to a depth of eight inches, but as there was no swift current no damage was done. All the cisterns in the county were filled up and farmers who were heretofore compelled to haul water five and six miles for their stock now have a good supply to last for some time to come.

The Bellefonte Academy and public schools of Bellefonte will close for the holiday vacation today.

Sale Register.

DECEMBER 18TH.—At the residence of Mrs. Emeline Noll at Pleasant Gap, Honesdale, Wagon, Huggies, Farm Implements and Household Goods. Sale at one o'clock sharp.

Bellefonte Produce Markets.

Corrected weekly by R. S. Brouse, grocer. The prices quoted are those paid for produce.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Items include Potatoes, Eggs, Lard, Country shoulders, Sides, Hams, Butter, etc.

Bellefonte Grain Market.

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

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Items include Red Wheat, White Wheat, Eye, per bushel, etc.

Philadelphia Markets.

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

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Items include Wheat—Red, No., No.—Yellow, etc.

The Democratic Watchman.

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Table with 2 columns: Space occupied and Price. Items include One inch (12 lines this type), Two inches, etc.