Our Correspondent's Opinions.

This column is at the service of those of our people who desire to express their views on any subject of general or local interest. The "Watchman" will in no way be responsible for their ideas or statements. The real name of the author must accompany all communications, but will be withheld from publication when the request is made.

The Women's club has been much gratified with the cordial support given by the voters of the town to the efforts to place two women on the public school board. The undertaking was attempted because of the belief that it would prove a benefit to the schools, and the candidates were chosen after a careful consideration of the qualities and requirements which would be drawn upon in the ful-Bellefonte are aware that the public Harry Alvin Hall, died at her home in St. gradually until the end. school system in Pennsylvania is far behind what has been achieved in other States, and at the present there seems to be a widespread movement to rectify this by interesting women in the effort to raise the standard of our schools as high as has been done in New York and some New England and Western States.

It has been a great pleasure to find that so many men of our town agree with this and have given it their vote at the primaries. Mrs. Brouse was nominated by both the Republican and Democratic parties and Mrs. Gilmour by the Republican party, having received also a good share of Democratic votes.

Both the women have been affiliated with the public schools most of their lives. They have both been pupils of the schools. Both of them have sent their children to them and Mrs. Gilmour taught in the public schools for eight years with the splendid record of never having missed but one and a half days, and that because of illness. They are conscientious, prompt and intelligent. They will avail themselves of the information concerning the needs and advancement in the public school system. They will profit by such advice as the following: "Make haste slowly, especially at first. Do not criticise hastily conditions which seem to be wrong, but push on the good things with all speed. Do not pull the old customs down until ready to replace them with better, remembering always that educational advance is made by inches, not in leaps and bounds, for the whole community must consent to its progress."

Mrs. Brouse's election is assured, but, if one woman is good, two women are better. It will be much more agreeable all around and their point of view will be felt, whereas one woman can effect little. Mrs. Gilmour was well supported by the Republicans at the primaries but she is opposed on the Democratic ticket by Mr. Lewis Gettig, a man whom we should have been glad to see on the board, but not instead of Mrs. Gilmour.

We hope that those voters who agree that women can help on the board will appreciate the advantage there will be in having two women and shall vote for both of November.

A PLAIN STATEMENT OF FACTS.

bought for the use of the schools of the district are bought from the American farther from the truth. If the person or persons who make the charges desired to find the truth, and then tell it, they could have done so by making inquiry of Pro-fessor Wagner or W. H. Crissman, secre-

tary, or the borough auditors.
For the year 1910 and 1911 the order book as well as other books will show that the American Book Company was paid, as follows:

For books.
Ginn & Co
D. C. Heath & Co...
Chas E. Merrill
To a number of other houses smaller
amounts for books on special lines
For the 1911 & 1912 the year we are

now in Ginn & Co..... American Book Co... D. C. Heath & Co....

Smaller amounts to the other houses who dealt in certain lines of books.

These figures are taken from the record of the board and are absolutely correct, and are a fair average of the amounts paid the leading publishing houses from year to year. No director orders books nor does he adopt the books. One of the regular committees of the board is a committee of text books. What it does, after careful investigation and consultation with the Superintendent, is usually adopted. It will be readily seen that the board in its purchase of books is bound to no publishing house big or little. I have not been a member of the book committee for years. On the question of text books, as to everything else relating to the schools, I always exercise common sense

and sound judgment.

The statements made, I do not care by whom, that I in any manner run the school board or try to do so in the interest of any publishing house is absolutely false and are no doubt made through ignorance or maliciousness, perhaps both But as the exact truth was in easy reach there was no need to peddle false-hoods, that would indicate that either the school board or myself were doing things which no good school board or director would

Akin to this story is the beastly statement that I was paid for doing certain work for the board. True I did the work work for the board. True I did the work for the board by direction of the board. Under date of "June 16th" 1909" (taken from the minutes) "Dr. M. J. Locke moved that D. F. Fortney prepare the papers for a special election of citizens of the borough for the purpose of voting as to giving the school board authority to borrow, ample funds to complete the new complete the second section. borrow ample funds to complete the new building. Seconded by Johnson and car-

Therefore by direction of the board I tracts and agreements, made all bonds that were issued for loans, and for the

had to be made as well as copies of the minutes, statements to be filed with the clerk of the court. All this required much typewriting, this was paid for by the board, but not to me. It was not mine, nor was there ever an order drawn to ne for any service rendered except as

Treasurer of the board. The law only prohibits any member of the board furnishing supplies to the board. It is the duty of all members of the board at all times to give all the knowledge, good sense, and sound judgment to all the questions which may come before the board. This I have al-

Respectfully, D. F. FORTNEY.

HALL. - Mrs. Susanna Geary Hall, mother of Senator J. K. P. Hall and Judge Mary's on Sunday morning, at the age of her with their presence.

of John and Julian Geary. She came of and grew to budding womanhood. Revolutionary stock, both of her grand- Funeral services were held at her late fathers having participated in the great home on the Branch at ten o'clock on war for American independence. When Tuesday morning, by her pastor, Rev. J. moved to Nittany valley, in Centre county, Harnish, after which burial was made in large building known as Nittany hall, an from a distance who attended the funeral takes its name. On June 28, 1837, when Goss and daughter Mary, of Altoona; but 18 years old, she was married at Dr. Hugh L. Fry and Miss Bertha Dale, family removed to Karthaus, Clearfield fonte. county, where they resided until 1867, when they removed to St. Marys, which was thereafter her home until the time of her death. She had seven children, all Sunday. of whom were born in Centre county, except the youngest, who was born at Karthaus. They were the Honorable John G. Hall, a noted railroad contractor and corporation lawyer, and ac one time Senator from the 26th district, who died at Liverpool, England, in 1889; Dr. William E. Hall, a noted physician of Renovo, who died at Newport News, Va., in 1890; Hon. the Gertie Keichline home on Main street. J. K. P. Hall, now Senator from the 26th district, and formerly a member of Congress; Mrs. B. E. Wellendorf and Miss

Mary E. Hall, both of whom resided with her at the time of her death; B. Frank Hall, who died in Philadelphia in 1909, Mrs. Brouse and Mrs. Gilmour on the 7th and Hon. Harry Alvan Hall, formerly Senator from the 26th district, afterwards United States attorney and now president judge of the 25th judicial district. She is also survived by nine grandchildren To the Voters of the Borough of Bellefonte. and four great grandchildren and by one As I am informed, it is alleged and industriously circulated that all the books of Ridgway, Pa.

She was a woman of rare personality, Book Company. And it is so done be-cause I insist it shall be. Nothing is standing her advanced age she retained standing her advanced age she retained her faculties in a remarkable degree, and her mind was acute and her interest in everything going on quite intense up to the time of her death. Living as she had, thirty or more years of her life in Centre county, she could recount many interestter part of her life she had a host of friends and acquaintances, all of whom sincerely regret her demise.

The funeral was held from her late the balance of their lives. home in St. Mary's at two o'clock on Horner and Reitz, while passing through Boals-Tuesday afternoon, and was largely burg Monday evening, collided causing a bad attended; it being her request that all who cared to attend should be invited. The services were in charge of archdeacon Radcliffe, assisted by Revs. en with paralysis, but was able to be moved Bate, Mitchell and Graybill. Burial was to his home at Boalsburg next day. made in St. Mary's cemetery.

SMITH.-Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Smith, wife of J. Frank Smith, of Centre Hall, Democratic candidate for Register, died at her home in that place at two o'clock Friday morning. She had been an invalid and constant sufferer for over two years and a few days previous to her death she contracted a cold which rapidly developed into pneumonia, and owing to her weakened condition the end came

Deceased was born in Haines township and was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Hosterman, deceased. Since her marriage to Mr. Smith they have resided in Centre Hall. In addition to her husband she is survived by five children, namely: Nellie, Calvin, Charles, Swengle and John. She also leaves two brothers, Dr. James K. Hosterman, of Crystal City,

Mo., and Thomas, of Centre Hill. Funeral services were held from her late home on Monday morning, conducted by Rev. Fred W. Barry, who was assisted by Rev. S. A. Snyder. Burial was made in the Centre Hall cemetery.

CHASE.-Mrs. Emma C. Chase, widow of the late William Chase, of Altoona, and a sister of Mrs. William Fulton, of drew all papers relating to the special elections for the different loans, all contain city on Sunday morning, after several weeks illness with pneumonia. Her

Huntingdon county, over fifty-two years Accuses Pastor of ago. She is survived by a son and daughter; her father, three brothers and two sisters. Burial was made in Oak Ridge cemetery on Wednesday afternoon.

DALE.-Mary Rosella Dale, the young daughter of Charles M. and Mrs. Mary Dale, of the Branch, died in the Bellefonte hospital at 5.30 o'clock last Saturday morning. Just about two weeks prior to her death she suffered an aggravated ways done, to the very best of my ability attack of appendicitis and was brought to Bellefonte for an operation, which was performed the same day. From the very first her condition was considered very grave and, though everything possible was done to save her young life she sank

Deceased was one of a family of three ninety-two years and nine days. Though brothers and one sister and was born at she had been feeble for a number of her home near State College on August years she was able to be around and on 13th, 1898, thus being 13 years, 2 months Friday, October 6th, her children gave and 8 days old. For one of her years she her a dinner and a little family reunion was unusually bright and already took a in honor of her approaching birthday. great interest in all kinds of church and She enjoyed the occasion very much and Sunday school work. She was a member was in as good health as usual until the of the Lutheran church and Sunday evening of the following day when she was school and of the Christian Endeavor sostricken with paralysis. Though her en- ciety. She was of an unusually bright tire left side was paralyzed she retained and sunny disposition and was not only consciousness and full possession of all the idol of her parents but beloved by all her faculties up until a few hours before who knew her. During her entire illness her death. All her children were with her mother was at her bedside as much her during the last hours of her life as possible and her father also was with ministering to her wants and comforting her during the last hours of her young life. They are almost heart-broken over Deceased was born at Hartleton, Union her death, which is also mourned by the county, Pa., October 13, 1819, a daughter entire community in which she was born

where, in 1826, her father erected the the Boalsburg cemetery. Among those old landmark which is still standing, and were Mr. and Mrs. Harry McGirk, T. A. from which the village surrounding it Mallory, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Fry, W. K. Hublersburg to Benjamin McDowell Hall. of Milton; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Musser, She resided there for sometime and after- Mrs. S. A. Young, Mrs. G. W. Ward, Mrs. wards in Milesburg, until 1855, when the Sadie Shaffer and A. A. Dale, of Belle-

PINE GROVE MENTION.

Miss M. B. Meek is short a fine cow that died J. J. Tressler is shy a good horse that died on Friday evening from spinal injuries.

Miss Minnie Collins is here from Philadelphia at her parental home on Main street.

J. J. Tressler and J. H. Weiland purchased a car load of feeders at Sunbury last Monday. A. J. Lytle is visiting with his daughter, Mrs Jacob Wrentchler, at Staten Island, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bowersox spent Sunday at Mrs. Mary Huff and baby boy are visiting he brother, T. A. Mallory, in the Mountain city, this

A. J. Tate went to Jersey Shore Monday, where

Mrs. Alfaretta Goss, of Altoona, spent severa days of last week with her mother here before going to Atlantic City. Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Neidigh were among those who attended the funeral of Mrs. Frank Smith,

at Centre Hall, Monday. Huxter Patton on Monday shipped from Penn sylvania Furnace eight hundred bushels of hand picked apples and a half ton of pork.

Mrs. B. F. Homan left vesterday to spend som time with her sister, Mrs. G. Y. Meek, who i very ill at her home in Sinking valley. Mrs. George Bell with her three interestir

children were over from Spring Creek for an outing at grandpa Sundays. They returned home N. D. has lost his laurels as a corn husker Merchant N. T. Krebs swung his skiver last

Thursday to the tune of sixty bushels a day and

Hon, John A. Woodward and David J. Meyer. ing occurrences of this section. In the both old Democratic war horses, were here on community in which she passed the lat- Wednesday on a political mission and registered at the St. Elmo

The Taylor brothers, of Kansas, have been visiting Pennsvalley friends this week and will in all probability return to their native State to live

wreck, and carriage makers Wieland and Gingerich got a job of repair work. The venerable Michael Segner, while visiting his sister at State College, on Monday, was strick*

A chubby baby boy came to the J. F. Sausser man home on Main street, Tuesday evening of last week. It will likely answer to the name of William Glenn. Both mother and babe are doing

Mrs. M. A. Hartman, matron at the Orphan' home at Lancaster, spent several days in this section the early part of the week, looking after the boys on probation; and glad to find them do well and in excellent homes.

RUNVILLE RIPPLINGS

Mrs. William Watson was a Bellefonte caller

Yarnell, spent Sunday at his home. Merrill Poorman and sister Edith spent Sur with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Witherite, of Union-

Mrs. Lloyd Davis, of Bellefonte, spent a last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lucas.

Mrs. Ida Poorman spent Sunday aftern the home of William Shawley, at Yarnell, who is very ill at this writing. Don't forget the social at Yarnell Saturday

night, October 28th, held by the N. A. C. girls. The benefit is for the new church. Miss Maude Walker and brother Lloyd accompanied by Newton Lauck, spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of William Lauck, of Beech

The social held in the school room on Saturday evening was well attended. The amount cleared was fifteen dollars, to go to the improving of the school building. Much credit should be given Ralph Musser, the teacher, who is so much nterested in the school

-It takes more than 80 tons of water to an acre to make an inch of rainfall. A gentle drizzling rain does the most good, contractors. There were many of these. Certified copies of most of these papers she was born at Greenwood Furnace, as it does not pelt down the soil.

Slaving Girl.

Rev. Richeson Charged With Causing Miss Linnell's Death.

Charged with the murder of Miss Avis Linnell, a pretty choir singer and music student, to whom he was attentive and to whom he is reported to have been engaged before he broke with her to become a suitor for the hand of Miss Violet Edmands, a rich Brookline society girl, Rev. Clarence Virgil Thompson Richeson is in the Charles street pail in Boston, held without bail. The case is one of the most sensational and dramatic that New England ever has known.

William B. Watts, deputy superintendent of police, declares that Richeson was arrested on information substantiated by the police that the had bought a quantity of cyanide of potassium at a drug store in Newton Centre on Oct. 10. This was the poison which caused Miss Linnell's death. Richeson, a young, handsome, bril-

liant man, is the idol of his large and wealthy congregation of the Immanuel Baptist church, of Cambridge, and his wedding on Oct. 31 to Miss Edmands was to have been one of the brilliant society events of the fall season. Instead he will be arraigned on for the murder of Miss Linnell.

The young minister was arrested in the Edmands home, following the discovery of what the police declare to be proof positive that he had recently bought cyanide of potassium, the deadly drug that killed Miss Linnell.

The police say that they have evidence that Rev. Mr. Richeson bought the poison which killed the girl, with whom he had been friendly and to whom he was at one time reported she was seven years old her parents re- I. Stonecypher, assisted by Rev. W. K. engaged. The information was given to them by William Hahn, a druggist at Newton Centre. Hahn has known Rev. Richeson well from the time the young minister was a student at the Newton Theological school. From Hahn's tale the poison was bought by Rev. Richeson on Oct. 10.

"I was in my store on the afternoon of Oct. 10, when Rev. Richeson dropped in," said the druggist. "I knew him well from his student days, but had not seen him for a long time. He greeted me cordially and then began to complain about a dog he had. He said that the animal was whining and growling continually and he wanted to put it out of the way. I told him that I didn't know that he had a dog, but he said that he had, and then went on to describe it.

"When he spoke of killing the dog suggested that he chloroform it, but he said that this would cause too much of a smell. Besides, he want-

"Then I said: 'Well, here is some cyanide of potassium. That will kill quickly enough,' and the minister said, 'Well, give me some of that.' I warned him that it was dangerous stuff and told him to be very careful about kill three or four dogs. When I had placed this in the paper the minister said, 'Well, you had better put in some more;' so I added two or three chunks to what I had already ladled out. What I gave him was enough to kill at least ten persons.

"After he had received the cyanide, Rev. Richeson said to me:

"'You will receive an invitation to my wedding, and I don't want you to fail to come to it.' Then he added, This may seem very mysterious to you. Can you keep a secret? You know I haven't bought this. Keep it to yourself.' With that he went away and I haven't seen him since." The wedding of Miss Edmands and

the clergyman was to have taken place on Oct. 31 in the First Baptist church at Newton Centre. More than 700 invitations had been sent out for the wedding. Avis Linnell, nineteen years old,

whose home was at Hyannis, Mass., was found dead in the bathroom of the Young Women's Christian Association home in Boston last Saturday evening At first it was believed that she had committed suicide, but later developments indicated that she had unknowingly taken cyanide of potassium given or sent her by some other person, and which she used in the belief that it would remedy physical conditions which were causing anxiety. Miss Linnell had previously been a friend of Richeson, and it was understood at Hyannis that an engagement existed. Later the clergyman became engaged to Miss Edmands, whose father is a trustee of the Newton Theological institution, where Richeson studied for the ministry.

Walsh, Oout of Jail Nine Days, Dies. John R. Walsh, former banker and railroad owner, who was released on parole just ten days ago from the federal prison at Leavenworth, Kansas, died of heart disease in Chicago.

Mr. Walsh had been in bed most of the time since his arrival in Chicago from Leavenworth, Oct. 15. He had been attended constantly by physicians

Mr. Walsh had been sent to the penitentiary on charges of misappropriating the funds of the Chicago Na tional bank to the use of other enter-

Mr. Walsh's health failed soon after he entered the penitentiary. An immediate movement to obtain his release on parole was begun by members of his family. At that time the examining physician at the penitentiary said Mr. Walsh was suffering with hardening of the arteries. After his release, it is believed, he was further weakened by a long, cold automobile ride of twenty-six miles from the prison to Kansas City. When he arrived home on the morning of Oct. 15 he was so ill and weak that he went to bed at once and remained there until his

HIGH VALLEY ITEMS.

East end farmers are pretty well along storing

Rumor has it that High valley is to lose one o its most progressive farmers-Mr. Jess Snyderwho has rented a farm near the red mill, and will move there in the spring. We are all sorry to ose so good a neighbor and such a splendi family, but wish them much luck in their nev

ticket, we Democrts have, and intend doing our best to elect every man on it. This end of the county is terribly tired of things as they have been run by the Republicans, and intend electing, if they can, men who won't favor more debt and taxation or pile any more thirty year mortgages on our farms and homes.

Some people hereabouts have already posted notices not to hunt or trespass upon their prop erty, and others have stretched wire across the road to prevent parties from getting along. This is to keep out hunters. Not so with the Eisenhuths. They welcome all and let them have a chance at any game that can be found. All they ask is that their cattle, hogs and turkeys are not disturbed.

Down here we are thinking that its about tim to have a political change. The Republicans have been in power a long time and with us there is no work at all, except what can be had on the farm, and times are dragging along about as usual. Our crops are not overly good. Corn only about a half crop. Scarcely any potatoes: plenty of apples but no price for them. Cattle and horses high, but few to sell; hogs are coming down, and taxes increasing, so that prospects are

LEMONT.

John Grove is busy hauling brick for his new

This town was quite well represented in Belle,

William Ferree is busy loading a car of winter apples this week.

Margaret Williams and David Wagner are both slowly improving. J. C. Etters and wife returned home from Al-

toona, where they spent several days. John W. Getz had David Johnstonbaugh and men put in concrete walks around his house this

Dr. Krebs, D. D. G. M., came down from Pine Grove Mills Saturday evening and installed the officers, of Lemont Lodge I. O. O. F., No. 717, for the ensuing term as follows: N. G., Edward Dale; V. G., George Glenn; Secretary, John C. Hoy; Treasurer, Clayton Etters; R. S. N. G., H. K. Hoy; L. S. N. G., Willis Houtz; Warden John Grove: Chaplain, W. E. Grove; O. G., Wm. Hoy; I. G., John S. Dale; Con., J. H. N. Stover:

R. S. S., Geo. Grenoble; L. S. S., J. H. Shuey. BOOKS, MAGAZINES, ETC.

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NOTICE - TRANSFER OF TAVERN LICENSE. - Notice is hereby given that the petition of H. Walter Waple and J. H. Groesbeck was this day filed in the office of the clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions for transfer of Potter House Tavern License in First ward of Philipsburg, from H. Walter Waple to John H. Groesbeck.

A. B. KIMPORT, Clerk. 55-41-1t

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.—Estate of George F. Harris, late of the Borough of Bellefonte, deceased.

Letters testamentary in the above named es-

Blanchard & Blanchard, MARY C. HARRIS.

A UDITOR'S NOTICE.—In the Orphan's Court of Centre county, in the matter of the estate of Daniel M. Wolf, late of Gregg township, deceased. The undersigned, an auditor appointed to make distribution of the balance in the hands of the Administrator, c. t. a., as shown by the first and final account in said estate, to those legally entitled thereto, will meet all parties interested at his offices in Temple Court, Bellefonte, Pa., on Friday, the 3rd day of November, 1911, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of his appointment, at which time such interested parties must appear or be debarred from coming in upon said fund.

J. THOMAS MITCHELL.

J. THOMAS MITCHELL, Auditor.

A UDITOR'S NOTICE.—In the matter of the estate of Amanda Walker, late of Boggs to Centre county, No. 576.

of Centre county, No. 576.

The undersigned, an auditor duly appointed by the Orphans' court of Centre county, to make distribution of the funds in the hands of W. G. Runkle, trustee under the last will and testament of Amanda Walker, late of Boggs township, deceased, will meet all parties in interest for the purpose of carrying out the duties of his appointment at his office in Eagle Block, on Monday, the 30th day of October, A. D. 1911, at ten o'clock a. m. All parties in interest are hereby notified to present their claims or hereafter be debarred from the fund.

JOHN J. BOWER,

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Eye Specialist.

Prof. J. Angel.

Eye Specialist. AT BROCKERHOFF HOUSE, BELLEFONTE FROM WEDNESDAY MORNING UNTIL THURSDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 15TH AND 16TH.

To my Patrons and the Public: On account of being established in Bellefonte for many years and my business increasing all the time as a successful eye specialist, I have decided to make a

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PROF. J. ANGEL, Eye Specialist.

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