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To The Democratic Electors of Pennsylvania.

As Chairman of the Democratic State Committee, I hereby announce that the Democrats of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the provisions of the Uniform Primary Act of 1913, will nominate at the Spring Primary Election, to be held on Tuesday, May 16, 1916, candidates for the following name offices:

One person for the office of United States Senator.
Four persons for the office of Congressmen-at-Large. One person for the office of State Treasurer, and will also elect one person for Member of the Democratic National Committee and twelve (12) Delegates and twelve (12) Alternate Delegates at Large to the Democratic National Convention, to be held in St. Louis, Mo., on June 14, 1916.

Nominating petitions for any of these offices will be furnished upon application to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, Harrisburg, Pa.
ROLAND S. MORRIS,
Chairman.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS.

ZEIGLER.—Following an illness of about five weeks with a complication of diseases Rev. John Zeigler passed away at his home at Wingate last Thursday.

Deceased was born in North Middleton township, Cumberland county, on February 11th, 1840, hence at his death was 76 years, 2 months and 9 days old. When but seventeen years of age he began teaching school, a profession he followed a number of years. When a young man he was converted in the Methodist church and at once decided to devote his life to religious work. Later he became affiliated with the Messiah church. Forty-five years ago he came to Centre county as pastor of the Messiah church in Boggs township, a ministry he continued until his late illness. Rev. Zeigler was a man of strong mind and positive convictions. His entire life was devoted to doing good, and a big part of his ministrations was among the class most in need of help and sympathy. For years he was the champion of the prohibition cause in Centre county, and never hesitated in making a fight against overwhelming odds. His labors in the cause of religion were manifest in the almost doubling of his church congregation.

Rev. Zeigler was twice married, his first wife being Mrs. Susan Kutz, who died twenty or more years ago. In 1901 he married Miss Louisa Way who survives with one brother, George W. Zeigler, and a sister, Miss Mary E. Zeigler, both of Steelton. Funeral services were held at his late home at ten o'clock on Monday morning. The services were in charge of Rev. M. C. Piper, assisted by Rev. W. A. Lepley, of Milesburg; Mrs. Wilson, of Runville, and Rev. Board, of Tyrone. Interment was made in the Messiah church cemetery at the Divide.

HOSTERMAN.—Charles W. Hosterman, a former well known merchant of Woodward, was stricken with paralysis while walking on the street in Millheim at noon last Saturday, was carried into Spigelmeyer's store and died almost instantly.

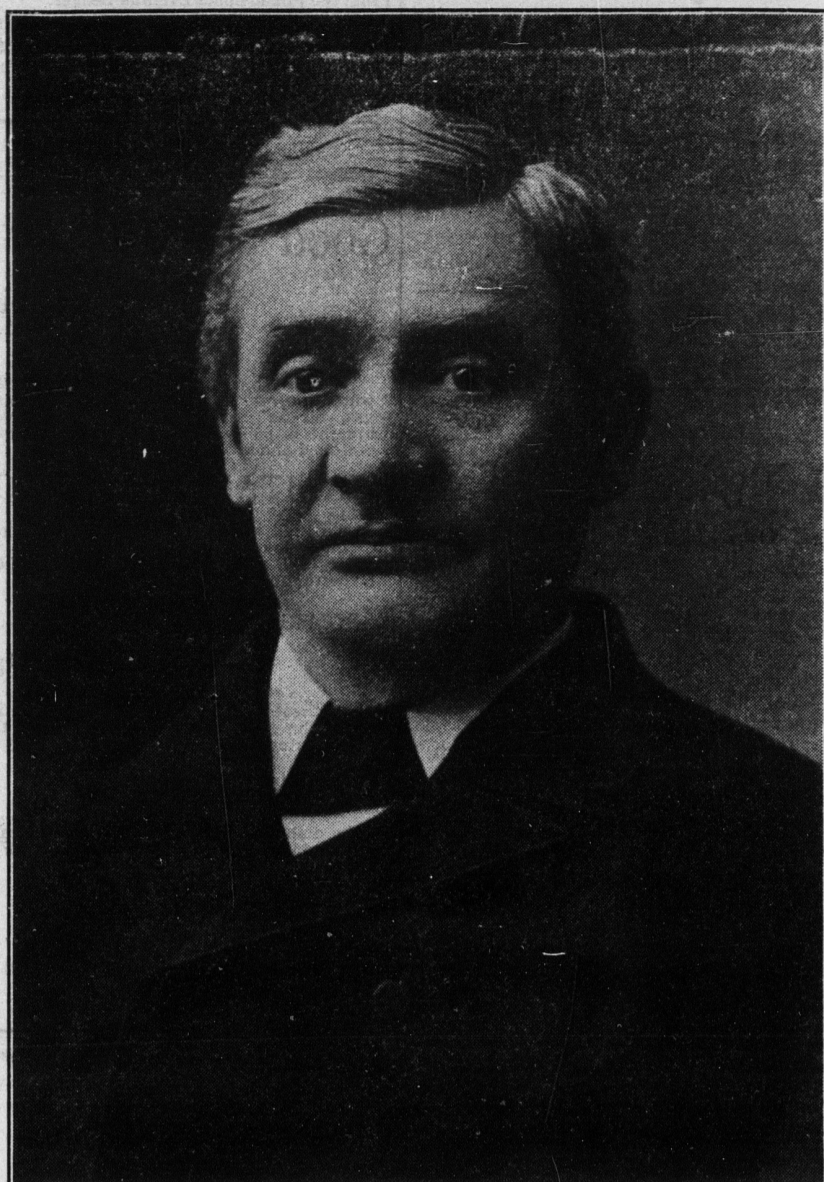
Deceased was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hosterman and was born at Woodward. Had he lived until May 20th he would have been sixty-nine years old. All his life was spent at the place of his birth and for many years he conducted a general store. Of late he carried the mail from Woodward to Coburn and return. He was a member of the United Evangelical church and a man who had the esteem of all who knew him.

He is survived by his wife, who prior to her marriage was Miss Salinda Roush, and the following children: Theodore G., of Woodward; John W., of Buffalo, N. Y.; Thomas R., of Akron, Ohio; Wesley, in New York; Oliver, of Buffalo; Mrs. E. S. Stover, of Bloomfield, N. J.; Charles and Herbert, of Buffalo; Mrs. Harry Zeime, of Johnstown, and Lydia at home. He also leaves one brother and two sisters, Thomas, of Coburn; Mrs. James Weaver and Mrs. Howard Musser, of Woodward.

Rev. Dorschler, of Slatington, and Rev. Garis, of Woodward, officiated at the funeral which was held yesterday morning, burial being made in the Woodward cemetery.

FYE.—Mrs. James Mann Fye died at her home in Howard township on Tuesday of last week, aged 55 years, 5 months and 7 days. She is survived by her husband, two brothers and five sisters, namely: William and Robert Mann, of Marsh Creek; Mrs. Kathryn Packer, of Kane; Mrs. Mary Jane Watson, of Niagara Falls; Mrs. Rebecca Lyon, of Howard; Mrs. Carrie Shappell, of Lock Haven, and Mrs. Sude Nymann, of Marsh Creek. The funeral was held on Friday, burial being made in the the Lucas cemetery.

CASANOVA.—Hon. J. H. Casanova, at one time a well known resident of Philadelphia, died in New York last Thursday, aged seventy-five years. He was a Cuban by birth, and divided his time between Havana, Cuba, New York and Philadelphia. A widow and one daughter survive. Burial was made in New York on Saturday.



COL. DAVID F. FORTNEY.

SUDDEN DEATH OF COL. FORTNEY.—Col. D. F. Fortney, the nestor of the Centre county bar and for years recognized as the Democratic "War Horse" of Centre county, is no more, he having died from heart failure just as he sat down at the desk in his office on Monday afternoon. Col. Fortney had been confined to his home for two weeks or longer with heart trouble but was able to come down town last Saturday for a little while. He rode down town in an automobile about 1:30 o'clock on Monday afternoon and got out at the corner just below his office. He walked slowly up to his office where he met a friend who congratulated him on being able to be around again and asked how he was feeling. Mr. Fortney replied "pretty fair, only it takes my breath to walk up hill." He went inside, sat down at his desk and died almost instantly.

David Franklin Fortney was born in Potter township on September 11th, 1843, making his age 72 years, 7 months and 13 days. He was a son of David and Susan Sellers Fortney, who came to Centre county from Cornwall, York county. His father was a carpenter and many of the large bank barns and dwelling houses in Pennsylvally were erected by him. David Fortney Jr., was reared among agricultural pursuits, his summers being spent upon the farm and his winters in attending the township public schools of Ferguson township where the family moved when he was a boy. Later he attended the old Pine Grove Mills Academy, walking the three miles each way from his home to Pine Grove and never had a tardy mark. In August, 1862, young Fortney with other students of the Academy and the principal enlisted for service in the Civil war in Company D, 148th, P. V. I., under the command of Col. James A. Beaver. In less than a year, however, Fortney was discharged from service on account of disability, the result of an attack of fever.

Returning home he spent a few months more at the Pine Grove Mills Academy, then taught the White Hall school, for which he received \$20 per month. From April 20th, 1864, to September, 1866, he attended the Vermillion Institute at Hayesville, Ohio, in charge of Rev. S. Dieffendorf. It was there he acquired his knowledge of the sciences, higher mathematics, Latin and Greek languages. Returning home he taught school, the ensuing winter in Decatur township, Clearfield county. In the spring of 1867 he entered the law office of John H. Orvis, paying for his board with Mr. Orvis' family by doing the work on his little farm of three acres. He was admitted to the bar April 30th, 1869, and from the very first took rank among the eminent lawyers who at that time constituted the Centre county bar. He soon acquired a lucrative practice which he maintained until he lost his hearing, though many of his old friends remained with him to the last.

Mr. Fortney was staunchly Democratic in politics, and his fealty to the party was recognized as early as 1871 when he was made county chairman of the party. In 1877 he was elected district attorney for a term of three years and in 1879 again served as county chairman. In 1882 he was appointed solicitor to the county commissioners and served until 1888. During that time he collected and paid into the county treasury over \$30,000 in old claims which the county held and which had been looked upon as practically worthless. He was also county solicitor from 1891 to 1897. In April, 1894, he was appointed postmaster of Bellefonte and served a full term of four years, since which time he devoted himself to the practice of his profession. Mr. Fortney's defection in hearing was his great drawback in life. Had it not been for this affliction he would undoubtedly

have been honored by his party by sending him to the Legislature, as he was frequently spoken of in that capacity.

In 1882 Mr. Fortney was elected a county director in Bellefonte and was honored with re-election after re-election until the fall of 1911, having served all told close to thirty years. Of this time he was president of the board about nineteen years. Education and the welfare of the public schools was more than a hobby with him. His whole heart was in the work, probably because of the struggle of his early manhood to secure his own education. In 1879 he took an active part in favor of the amendment to the constitution prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquor, and to his efforts is ascribed the big majority given in Centre county in favor of it.

He was a member of the Presbyterian church all his life and for many years a trustee. He was a member of Centre Lodge No. 153, I. O. O. F., and always took a prominent part in the affairs of the order, the Royal Arcanum, and was also a member of Gregg Post No. 95, G. A. R.

Such was his life as lawyer, politician, public school advocate and church member, but he was also a writer of no mean renown, and frequently contributed articles to the local press and school magazines. As a citizen he was in the forefront and willing to do what he could for the advancement of anything for the betterment of the town and the community. As a neighbor and friend he left nothing to be desired.

Tall and of commanding personality, rugged in appearance, he at first sight might have been taken for a man of gruff demeanor; but he was anything but that. Personally he was a most likable man. He was thoughtful and charitable for others, even though strong in his convictions in any cause he championed. He was kind by nature and in practice, and his many friends deeply regret that he has passed from among them. His death leaves Col. J. L. Spangler as the oldest member of the Centre county bar with John M. Keichline and Clement Dale next in line.

On September 19th, 1876, Mr. Fortney was married to Miss Sarah E. Huey, of Harris township, who died on February 24th, 1910. Surviving him is one son, David Paul Fortney, ex-district attorney of Centre county. He was also the last of his father's family to pass away.

A meeting of the Centre county bar association was held on Tuesday morning at which brief tributes were paid to the life and memory of the deceased, and a committee appointed to draft a suitable minute to be entered upon the court records.

Funeral services were held at his late home at 10 o'clock yesterday morning by his pastor, Rev. William K. McKinney. The Centre county bar attended in a body and there were good sized delegations of Odd Fellows and the G. A. R. Three brother attorneys and three members of the Odd Fellows acted as pallbearers and the services at the grave in the Union cemetery were under the auspices of Gregg Post, No. 95, G. A. R.

MILLER.—The remains of William Rothrock Miller, who died at the home of his son, George Miller, at Keating, on April 15th, were taken to his old home at Blanchard last Tuesday evening and on Wednesday morning funeral services were held in the Disciple church by Rev. W. H. Dudley, burial being made in the Disciple cemetery.

Deceased was seventy years old and was a life-long resident of Blanchard up until a few years ago. He is survived by the following children: Mrs. William Robb, of Jersey Shore; Mrs. Nathan Kuhn, of Clearfield; George, of Keating, and Walter, living in Nittany valley.

ROYER.—S. Edwin Royer died at his home in Altoona at 6:42 o'clock on Sunday evening following an illness of about a year with a complication of diseases.

Deceased was born at Potters Mills, this county, on September 6th, 1860, hence was in his fifty-sixth year. On April 28th, 1887, he was married to Miss Nannie O. McCormick, at Potters Mills, and the first few years of their married life were spent in that vicinity. About twenty-four years ago they moved to Altoona. Mr. Royer was a member of the First Methodist church, of Altoona, and of the Modern Woodmen of America. He is survived by his wife and three daughters, Mrs. Rose Runyan, of Altoona; Edna and Mable E., at home. He also leaves three brothers and two sisters, namely: W. L., of North Dakota; John B., of Altoona; Thomas F., of Potters Mills; Mrs. Mary Kreider, of Johnstown, and Mrs. H. C. Shirk, of Centre Hall. Burial was made in the Rose Hill cemetery on Wednesday afternoon.

UNDER HEAVY BAIL FOR TRIAL AT COURT.—George Mothersbaugh, of Taylor township, is under \$1,000 bail for trial at the Centre county court for shooting at some lumbermen last week with a shot gun. Mr. Mothersbaugh was brought to Bellefonte on Friday evening and lodged in jail but succeeded in getting bail on Monday and was discharged in time to go home on the 4:44 train. The full story of his actions and arrest was told by the Tyrone correspondent of the Altoona Tribune of Monday morning as follows:

An item of interest to members of the Tyrone Rod and Gun club is the arrest and imprisonment of their old enemy and constant menace, George Mothersbaugh, of near Gardner station, who has tracts of land adjoining the preserve of the Tyrone organization. Since the purchase of that tract the Tyrone have known no actual peace of mind when Mothersbaugh was about. He now occupies a cell in the Bellefonte jail on the charge of aggravated assault and battery with intent to kill, with bail fixed at \$1,000. It is stated that recently his neighbor, David Howard, sold the timber rights of his grounds to lumberman Wooding, of Port Matilda, and that when the cutting operations got near the Mothersbaugh line he claimed they had exceeded their rights. With Mr. Howard were two other cutters, named Irvin and Vanaikens. They attempted to reason with Mothersbaugh, as the line fence plainly indicated they had not yet reached their limit. He retired to his home and procuring a shot gun fired repeatedly at the woodsman, who, naturally, hunted safer territory. A warrant was sworn out and a constable sent from Port Matilda for him. On a previous occasion when resisting arrest he attacked an officer with an axe, so this representative of the law resorted to strategy. He waited until the rural mail man had deposited a letter in the Mothersbaugh box then stepped from concealment quietly and overpowered his man. The outcome will be awaited with much interest, as the prisoner is said to be a dangerous man in the community. The Mothersbaugh folks are said to have been "squatter" settlers in that part of the Alleghenies and refuse to recognize any wishes or edicts of the courts.

HEARN-NICOLLS.—A quiet wedding was celebrated in the green parlor of the Bush house, at 7:30 o'clock Saturday evening, when William J. Hearn, of New York city, was united in marriage to Miss Claire Lyon Nicolls, only daughter of Mrs. William Jasper Nicolls. Only a select little party was present to witness the ceremony, which was performed by Rev. W. K. McKinney, of the Presbyterian church. There were no attendants. Preceding the ceremony a dinner was served the wedding party. Mr. and Mrs. Hearn departed on the 8:30 p. m. train for a brief wedding trip.

The bride is quite well known in Bellefonte and since coming here a year ago has lived with her mother at the Bush house. She has a splendid voice and has devoted most of her time to music, having given instructions to a large class of children and young people. Mr. Hearn has been in Bellefonte the past six months or longer, having charge of the installation of the plumbing in the buildings erected at the new penitentiary. His work there will probably be completed within a month, at the expiration of time which they will likely locate elsewhere.

DAWSON-YOUNG.—The home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew B. Young, on south Allegheny street, was the scene of a pretty wedding, at eleven o'clock on Saturday morning, when their daughter, Miss Esther Young, became the bride of Earl C. Dawson. About twenty intimate friends were present to witness the ceremony which was performed by Rev. T. Hugh MacLeod, of the United Brethren church. The young couple were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Saxton, the latter being a sister of the bride. Following the ceremony a delicious wedding breakfast was served and later Mr. and Mrs. Dawson left on a brief wedding trip. For the present they will make their home with the bridegroom's grandmother, Mrs. Isaac Dawson. Mr. Dawson being employed as a moulder at the Bellefonte Engineering company's plant.

MOORE-ZIMMERMAN.—LeRoy O. Moore, of Butler, Pa., and Miss Alta Zimmerman, of Pleasant Gap, were united in marriage at the Lutheran parsonage on Linn street, on Thursday of last week, by the pastor, Rev. Wm. M. B. Glanding, the beautiful ring ceremony being used.

BACHMAN-SNOOK.—On April 20th, 1916, at the United Evangelical parsonage, Mr. Wilbur Bachman, of Bellefonte, and Miss Mary Elizabeth Snook, of Pleasant View, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony by the pastor, Rev. E. Fulcomer.

BARCLAY-COOPER.—One of the most elaborate social functions that has taken place in Bellefonte for some time was the marriage on Wednesday of Miss Emelyn Morris Cooper, of Dallas, Tex., and A. Tedford Barclay, of Lexington, Va., with the American National Insurance company, of Galveston, Texas; the wedding being celebrated in St. John's Episcopal church at 11 o'clock, Rev. W. C. Charlton rector of the church officiating.

A half hour recital by Miss Bradley, organist of the church, preceded the ceremony, the opening number being the Offertoire in D. Minor by Batiste, followed by Wrightson's "Caprice," "Scherzando" by Gillette, "Benediction Nuptiale" by Frysinger, and "Benediction Nuptiale" by Hollins.

The wedding party entered the church, which was elaborately decorated about the chancel with great banks of Easter lilies and smilax, to the march from "Tannhauser," by Wagner. "Oh Perfect Love," by Barnby, being played during the ceremony. The bride, who was given away by her father, Mr. H. S. Cooper, wore a gown of white georgette crepe trimmed with bands of wired taffeta, made short, with a long court train falling from the shoulders where it was held by embroidered bands of silver. On the waist and fastening the full tulle veil was rare old lace used at other weddings in the family. Miss Cooper carried a shower bouquet of roses and valley-lilies. Her only attendant, Miss Josephine Freund, of New York city, as maid of honor, wore white tulle over white satin, a white horse hair picture hat and carried a sheaf of Easter lilies. John Campbell, of Lexington, Va., acted as Mr. Barclay's best man, and the ushers included Hassel Montgomery and Orvis Keller, of Bellefonte; Paul Kerk, of Philadelphia, and George W. Brew, of New York city.

Immediately following the ceremony a wedding breakfast was given for the bride's most intimate friends and a few relatives, by the Misses Benner, Mrs. H. S. Cooper's aunts, with whom Mrs. Cooper and her daughter have been spending the winter. Here as at the church the green and white color scheme was used in the decorations.

Mr. and Mrs. Barclay drove to Lock Haven, from where they left for the east, expecting to spend two weeks traveling and in visiting at Mr. Barclay's home in Lexington, going from there directly to Galveston, where they will go to house-keeping at once.

Among the guests present were Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Pomeroy, of Brooklyn; Mrs. H. L. Churchill, of Schenectady, N. Y., and Mr. John Bingaman, of West Chester.

Miss Cooper, who has always been one of the most popular members of the younger set, was an honor guest at a supper given by Miss Elizabeth Morris Sunday night, at a dance in the armory Monday night which followed a dinner given by Miss Sara Hastings, and at Miss Janet Scott's tea Tuesday afternoon.

MUSSER-ULRICH.—Another co-partnership was formed within the confines of the State-Centre Electric company last Saturday when Earl C. Musser, the efficient bookkeeper and general office man, and Miss Charlotte R. Ulrich, stenographer, journeyed to Williamsport where they were united in marriage at the parsonage of St. Luke's Lutheran church by the pastor, Rev. M. Hadwin Fischer. Following the ceremony they went to Atlantic City to see the Easter throng and enjoy a little wedding trip. They returned to Bellefonte Tuesday evening and are now making preparations to go to housekeeping in the Snyder property near the Academy.

MILLER-HARTER.—James Claire Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Miller, of this place, and Miss Mary K. Harter, daughter of Harry E. Harter, of near Bellefonte, were married at the Methodist parsonage on Monday afternoon by Rev. Ezra H. Yocum. Following the ceremony they went direct to their newly furnished home on east Logan street. Mr. Miller is the efficient operator at the Scenic theatre and the many friends of both he and his bride wish them many years of happiness.

—There is real satisfaction for the smoker in the "Sheridan Troop," 5ct cigar. 61-17-3t

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Widow Sues for \$10,000.

Margaret Llewellyn, of Peckville, near Scranton, Pa., has sued Thomas O'Conner, a druggist, of Jessup, for \$10,000 damages. She says O'Conner sold her husband, Thomas Llewellyn, poison tablets without a prescription. Llewellyn committed suicide with poison a year ago.

Russians Almost at Kut.
The Russian troops are said to be within nine miles of Kut-el-Amara, where a British army has been besieged for months. Relief of the British by the Russians has appeared a possibility for some time in view of the Russian successes in Persia and Armenia.

The Pope Frowns on Riots.
Pope Benedict expressed disapproval of the political disturbances in Ireland, and has cabled to the archbishop of Dublin for particulars, says a wireless despatch. In his message the pontiff advised the Irish Catholics to remain passive.

Odd Fellows Had Big Celebration.

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Allegheny then north on Allegheny through the Diamond playing "Onward Christian Soldiers." It was a thrilling and inspiring ending to one of the best parades ever seen in Bellefonte.

Immediately after the parade an open air meeting was held in the Diamond at which the address of welcome was delivered by Burgess Edmund Blanchard. Past Master Fred C. Haney made the response. The chief orator of the day was Rev. B. H. Hart, of Harrisburg, Past Master of the Grand Lodge, who extolled the virtues of Odd Fellowship as it is practiced in this day and generation.

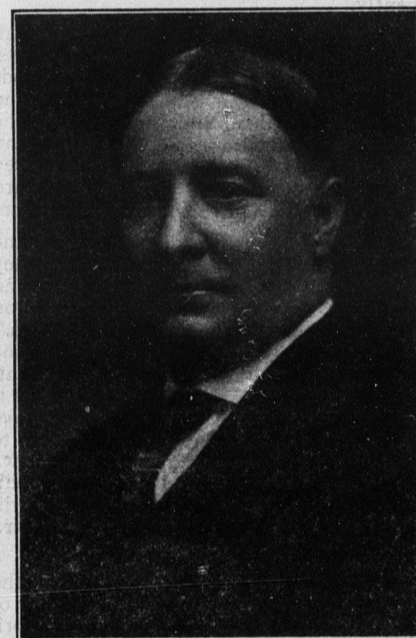
Inasmuch as there were not sufficient entries for the prize drill for Cantons, the Canton Tyrone gave an exhibition drill at 3:30 o'clock, on High street between the WATCHMAN office and the Bush house, and was given a prize of fifteen dollars.

A special session of the Rebekah Assembly was held at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon, and a special session of the Grand Lodge at 6:45 o'clock in the evening, but the work of both was of course, secret, and completed the program for the day's reunion without a hitch or a break. It was probably one of the best reunions the association has ever held, and far exceeded the one held here seventeen years ago.

NOTES OF THE GATHERING.

Four Williamsport policemen in addition to a half dozen extra local police helped handle the crowd, but they had an easy day of it, as there was not one disturbance and very little drunkenness. The railroads handled the big crowd splendidly and most of the special return trains left Bellefonte on time.

The big trout in the Potter-Hoy window was quite an attraction for the visitors, who thought it wonderful that such a fish could be caught in Spring creek.



J. M. NICHOLS.

This article would not be complete if we failed to pay a tribute to Mr. J. M. Nichols, of Syracuse, N. Y., the official decorator and publisher of the official program. He came to Bellefonte several months ago and submitted a proposition for the program with the result that through it Centre Lodge was able to meet all the expenses of the reunion without being compelled to ask a contribution of any man. And the very fact that the program, (which by the way was printed at the WATCHMAN office,) was eagerly sought for by the Odd Fellows present and taken along home to be preserved is evidence that it is a book that was appreciated by all. Thus it can be seen that Mr. Nichols' work was not only appreciated but he will leave Bellefonte with the good will and best wishes of every man with whom he had any dealings. He came to Bellefonte a plain "Mr." but will go away a "Major General" in the estimation of all who met him or did business with him in any way.

On the second page of today's paper will be found a composite picture of the founders of Odd Fellowship in the United States and a history of Centre Lodge, No. 153, of Bellefonte.

There were just 1561 people in the parade. This number included the 900 Odd Fellows, 22 mounted men, 12 bands and 34 automobiles.

The Woman's club took advantage of the big crowd to make it a tag day for the club's benefit. Red tags were issued to correspond with the cover on the souvenir program, which were put out at five cents a tag. Although so few of the returns were in up to last evening from the number of people wearing tags on Wednesday it is likely the final reports will show a tidy sum realized by the women.

—While sweeping the stairs of the entrance to their apartment on Bishop street Wednesday, Thomas Donachy, one of the older residents of the town, fell and injured himself severely about the head and face.

—We wish to again call attention to "The Man On the Box," the entertainment to be given by the Bellefonte High school in the opera house next Friday evening. Don't fail to see it.

—Yesterday telephone company linemen took down the big poles at the corner of the Bush Arcade and the Potter-Hoy hardware store, and also one further up the street.