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This column will be devoted to a series of contributions bearing on human welfare. They have been compiled and edited with a view to progressive study and thought on subjects affecting our personal wall being. al well-being.

Number 7.

"The Health of the Nation is our greatest public asset."-Theodore Roosevelt.

The Fund is Growing.

Two weeks ago Wilbur W. Marsh, treasurer of the Democratic National campaign committee, wrote and asked Adam Wagner, of Willowbank street, the "Watchman" if it would put before cember 24th. Just fifty years ago Adam the Democrats of Centre county the mat- Wagner, a son of Jacob Wagner, of daughters and one son, Ernest Wagner, ter of the deficit of \$400,000, which con- Houserville, and Miss Sue Wagner, a fronted the National Committee after it daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Waghad so gloriously re-elected Woodrow ner, of Bellefonte, were united in the ho-Wilson, President.

the effect it would gladly give its col- retired life, having been blessed with a Mrs. H. P. Shaffer and daughter and Mr. umns and energy to an appeal to Demo- family of five children who are all nice- and Mrs. Jacob Finkelstine and daughcrats to contribute toward wiping out the ly situated in life. All were present at ter.

The appeal has been made and we are inclined to believe that the Democrats of died at his home in Tyrone at 6.30 o'clock with an injured back sustained in a fall

New names are appearing on the list ty may be expected. Any sum that is sent to this office will be recorded in the personally acknowledge its receipt to the was one of the principal men in the

writer that if only one-tenth of the Dem- First National bank of Tyrone, was vice ocrats of the county who shouted them- president and general manager of the selves hoarse and had such a great time American Lime and Stone company, and while parading in Wilson Jubilee celebrations were to contribute \$1.00 to this fund, the entire sum would be raised in and a nation wide prohibitionist. He is a jiffy and it would be notice to all the survived by his third wife and one daughother Democrats of the country that up ter, Mrs. May Brantley, of Tyrone. Burhere in Centre county we are not the rial was made in Grandview cemetery, kind who want to shout and crow over Tyrone, Wednesday afternoon at three something that we haven't had a hand in

paying for. Are you willing to do just a little more than cheer for Democracy. If you are send in a contribution to this fund.

The "Watchman"	\$10.0 10.0
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Wetzler Given a Gold Cornet.

The Christmas night concert of Our Boys band of Milesburg, given in their hall at that place drew an unusually large crowd. Every seat was taken and standing room was at a premium. The one audience was the presentation to Mr. L. F. Wetzler, the band leader, of a handsome one hundred dollar gold mounted cornet, the gift of the band boys. The held in the Methodist church at 12.30 presentation was made by Walter A. o'clock. Burial was made in the Black Hugg, the sixteen year old clarinetist, Oak cemetery. who spoke as follows:

In appreciation of your earnest efforts and because of what you have done for us in the past, we, the Boys, feel that we ble remembrance.

While we have perhaps not at all times been as attentive as we should, and taken the interest that we ought to and fame have been attained by us it is undoubtedly due to your untiring effort

slightly, I herewith present you with this cornet, which we hope you will use in remembrance of the Boys.

thanks.

Tobias Asks Recount.

William E. Tobias, of Clearfield, the Democratic congressional candidate, who was defeated by Hon. Charles H. Rowland, Republican, in this twenty-first congressional district, at the November election, has instituted a contest. The papers were served on Row-land by James Connelly, Democratic state committeeman, acting for To-bias, the action being taken just before the legal limit expired.

The basis of his claim is that Row-land used money contrary to law, that he entered into a contract with Thomas Stiles, and other Clearfield county Socialists, and that Rowland spent more money in his campaign than is allowed by law. The district includes Centre, Clearfield and McKean coun-



MR. AND MRS. ADAM WAGNER

Celebrated Golden Wedding.

Christmas season was the celebration of child. The guests present were as foltheir golden wedding by Mr. and Mrs. lows: which event took place on Sunday, Dely bonds of wedlock. Practically all of their married life has been spent in this The "Watchman" at once replied to vicinity and they are now living a quiet

STEVENS.-Hon. A. A. Stevens, well fill the hope of the National Committee health for some time and on Sunday evening from the rear entrance to the postoffice. that they will contribute at least \$400.00. ing suffered a slight stroke of paralysis

which hastened the end. Adie Allen Stevens was a son of James of voluntary contributions every week and Catharine Stevens and was born in and now that the ice has been broken a Blair county on August 20th, 1845, hence general response from all over the coun- was 71 years, 4 months and 12 days old. While yet in his teens he enlisted for service during the Civil war and served until its close. Returning from the war he list, whether it is \$1.00 or \$10.00 and the followed photography for five years then money immediately forwarded to the took up the study of law. He was admit-National treasurer of the party who will ted to the Blair county bar in 1872. He organization of the Tyrone Water company, the gas and electric light compa-The thought has just occurred to the nies. He was one of the founders of the interested in various other business enterprises.

He was a pillar in the Methodist church

COWHER.-Martin L. Cowher died on Sunday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. R. B. H. Satterfield, in Altoona, as the result of a stroke of paralysis. He was first stricken over five years ago and had been confined to bed ever since.

Deceased was born in Worth township, this county, and was 80 years, 10 months and 13 days old. Most of his life was spent at Port Matilda where he followed the occupation of a day laborer, though for a number of years he served as constable in the township. His wife died a number of years ago but surviving him are the following children: Howard and Russell, of Tyrone; William and Harvey, of Port Matilda; James, of Beaverdale; Mrs. Ella Given, of Bellwood and Mrs. Satterfield, of Altoona. He also leaves thirty thing on the program not expected by the grand-children and sixteen great grandchildren.

The remains were taken to Port Matilda on Tuesday and funeral services at the time above stated.

wife of Thomas J. Smull, of Mackey-Transue and she was born at Hublers- Bartlet on his dray wagon. in our band, yet we feel that you have burg on November 4th, 1841, hence at done a lot for us, and whatever success her death was 74 years, 1 month and 20 ried to Miss Maude Haupt who survives days old. Practically all of her married with no children. He, however, leaves life was spent at Mackeyville where she his mother, living in Bellefonte, one So, in kindly remembrance, and with was revered as a friend and neighbor. brother, Frank Scott, of Sandusky, Ohio, a feeling that we are repaying you but She is survived by her husband and two and one sister, Mrs. Benjamin White, of sons, Thomas Jefferson Smull Jr., dean Akron, Ohio. He was a member of the of the Ada (Ohio) University, and Le- United Brethren church and Rev. A. C. Mr. Wetzler was taken completely by Roy, of Mackeyville. Funeral services MacLeod had charge of the funeral servsurprise and so overcome that he was were held in the Methodist church at ices which were held at his home at unable to do aught but stammer his Mackeyville, at 1.30 o'clock last Thurs- three o'clock last Thursday afternoon, made in the Cedar Hill cemetery.

HORNER.-Calvin H. Horner, a former Centre countian, died at his home at Lakemont, Altoona, on December Addition at one o'clock p. m. on Decem-21st, after an illness of some weeks. He ber 26th. She was a daughter of Levi was born in Centre county and was in and Elizabeth Thomas and was born at his forty-fifth year. He is survived by Shickshinny, Luzerne county, being his wife and four children, Ralph, Paul, at her death 29 years, 4 months From the Milwaukee Sentinel. Tobias alleges that he was "counted out," and asks for an official recount.

Ruth and Lloyd, all at home. He was a and 18 days old. The family came to Rellefonte about five years ago member of the United Brethren church, to Bellefonte about five years ago the Sons of Veterans, P. O. S. of A., and during their residence here Mrs. States government must "go slow" and Modern Woodmen of America and the Starr made many warm friends. She circumspectly-very circumspectly indeed. Lakemont volunteer fire department. tery, Altoona.



the celebration and in addition their fif-One of the delightful functions of the teen grand-children and one great-grand-

> C. Y. Wagner, wife, two daughters and three sons, of Bellefonte; Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Wagner, of Oak Hall, their two who is married and had with him his wife and little son; Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Houser and son Paul, of State College: Mr. and Mrs. Maurice B. Runkle and beautiful workmanship were all George H. Hazel and two daughters, of Bellefonte. Other guests were Mr. and

---William McClellan is confined to known in Bellefonte and Centre county, his nome on east Lamb street suffering will be interested in helping this cour-

Death of Robt. J. Mann.

Robert J. Mann, one of the best known and esteemed residents of Marsh Creek, died at his home near Romola at 6 o'clock Friday evening, December 29, 1916, of pneumonia, aged 61 years, 2 months and 24 days. As was his custom he spent the recent deer hunting season in camp in the Alleghenies, where he contracted a heavy cold which later developed into

Robert J. Mann was a son of John and Eliza Mann and for many years past has been a suscessful farmer of near Romola. He was a genial, bighearted man, a noted hunter and hard worker. His wife, formerly Miss Me-lissa Nieman, is left with these children: Toner Mann, at home; Mrs. William Robinson, of Orviston; Mrs. William Confer, of Howard; William and Blair, at home. One brother and four sisters also survive: Mrs. Packer, of Braddock; Mrs. Will Lyons, of Howard; Mrs, Ed Shapill, of Lock Haven; Mrs. James Nieman, of Marsh Creek, and William Mann, of Curtin. Funeral services were held at ten o'clock Monday morning, in his lat home near Romola, conducted by Rev Frank Long. Burial was made in the Lucas cemetery at Romola.

For Relief of French Soldiers. There will be a sale of French fancy articles at the house of Mrs. John Blanchard, on West Linn street, Bellefonte, on the afternoon and evening of Wednesday. January 10th, half the proceeds to go to the Military Hospital, at Chambery, France, where Miss Cecile de Lagarde is nursing and half to the orphans of soldiers killed in battle.

These articles of very unique and

daughter, of Lancaster; Mr. and Mrs. signed and many of them made by the widow of a French officer who lost her entire fortune because of the war. Besides supporting herself she is also supporting fifty orphans of soldiers and giving employment to many wom-en who would otherwise be quite des-

Owing to a delay in the custom house these things did not arrive in time for Christmas but it is hoped that many ageous French woman who has given all for her country. Those who can-

Read This, Subscribers.

If you are one of the hundreds of our readers who have joined in the campaign to help the "Watchman" out of a paper predicament let us assure you that you have won the fight,

Though not quite all of the \$1800 arrived in time there came such a deluge of responses to our call that we felt warranted in placing the order by capitalizing the evident intentions of our subscribers. The result is that the first consignment of paper is here and we are only a few hundred dollars short of the necessary amount to pay for it all. To be exact, up to last evening \$1390.60 came in, in sums of \$1.50 to \$10.00 in just one month and as a result of just one mailed letter.

We venture the statement that such a collection achievement has never been made by a country newspaper.

WATCH YOUR LABEL.

In order to save postage and labor we have not sent receipts for any of these remittances. We are going to ask you to watch the label on your paper and if the figures on it do not change within a week, to conform to the date to which you know you have paid your subscription notify us at once.

We have been very careful to avoid mistakes but it is po be made and it is to catch and correct them that we are asking you to help.

Watch your label and see that it is correct. It records the account between you and the "Watchman" and we want it to be right, for we desire to be honest

THE COMBINATION IS STILL OPEN.

If any of you desire to take advantage of our combination, whereby we send 'Today's Magazine," "Woman's World," "Home Life," "Better Farming" and the 'Watchman' for one year, all for \$1.75, it is not too late. If your subscription is paid up and you want the other magazines send us 25 cents and we will give you the benefit of the combination.

Those who may not be subscribers to the "Watchman" will have to send \$1,75 for the full combination.

well known young man of Bellefonte, her father and the following brothers died quite suddenly at his home on east and sisters: Mrs. Morgan Jones, of Lamb street at 5.30 o'clock on Sunday, Wanamie; Leslie, Jesse, Almerta, Mada-December 24th, of acute indigestion. He line and Louise, all of Shickshinny. Funate a hearty dinner at three o'clock, eral services were held at her late home was taken sick an hour later and died at 7.30 o'clock last Thursday evening by

Lavina Scott and was born at Brookville burial. in September, 1879, making his age 37 years and 3 months. His parents came to Bellefonte when he was a young man SMULL.-Mrs. Harriet Syvella Smull, and practically all his life had been spent here. Most of the time he had been ought to recognize this effort by a suita- ville, died Christmas eve., following an employed as a driver by the various illness of two years with dropsy and liverymen in town. During the past few heart trouble. Her maiden name was weeks he had been working for Jocob

On November 26th, 1903, he was marday afternoon, after which burial was burial being made in the Union cemetery.

was a member of the United Evangelical

STARR.-Mrs. Bertha May Starr, wife first year's experience of the state workof R. B. Starr, died at her home in Bush men's insurance will also be announced.

thing that has kept us out of this war of Surviving her are her husband and alliances, that advice ought to look better three young children namely: Carl, than ever.

SCOTT.-Frederick Gaither Scott, a Dorothy and Margaret. She also leaves Rev. Fulcomer and on Friday morning Deceased was a son of William W. and the remains were taken to Berwick for

Annual Meeting of Threshermen and Farmers.

The annual meeting of the Centre county Threshermen and Farmers' Protective association will be held in the court house, Bellefonte, on Wednesday, January 10th, at 9.30 a.m. The Legislature is now in session. It is therefore very important this year that every against. Every farmer is also interested in the threshermen getting a square

deal. In order to keep the best traction engine law in the United States as it is, get a fair rate of compensation insurance and boiler inspection, we must go up to this Legislature with a good, strong ISAAC UNDERWOOD, Sec'y.

Should Look Better Than Ever.

The whole rather self-contradictory proposals for preventing wars by force of arms is eminently one where the United As adherence to Washington's advice against alliances is primarily the very

County Correspondence

Items of Interest Dished Up for the Delec tation of "Watchman" Readers by a Corps of Gifted Correspondents.

BOALSBURG.

Frank Fisher, of Altoona, spent few days with his mother.

John Bricker was among the

omers at Christmas time. Edward Glenn, of the Branch, visited friends in town recently. D. W. Meyer and daughter, Mrs Slagle, are visiting in Altoona.

Mr. Rankin, of Bellefonte, transactd business in town this week Miss Alida Rothrock, of Bloomsburg, s visiting her sister, Mrs. Harold Cox-

Miss Florence Hazel came home from Allentown College for the midvinter vacation.

Mrs. Maud Williams and sons, Donld and Carl, visited friends in Aloona last week. G. E. Meyer spent Christmas day with his sister, Mrs. W. E. Gettig, and

family, in Altoona. Price Johnstonbaugh, who has been employed at Shamokin, spent Christmas with his family.

Robert Condo, who has been confined to bed since last March, was quite ill the latter part of the week.

Messers. Paul and Orin Rupp, of Pitcairn, were welcome guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Rupp.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kuhn, of Williamsport, were recent guests of their daughter, Mrs. George Hazel, and oth-

er friends in town. Workmen are busily engaged at Camp Boal erecting buildings for the protection of the Boal Machine Gun Troop and their horses.

Mrs. R. B. Harrison and daughter, Miss Rhoda, returned last week from visit of several, months among

friends at Niagara Falls.

The Bell Telephone Co's, employees are still working in this vicinity, and last week extended their lines to the homes of Chas. Klinger and Price Johnstonbaugh.
Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Jacobs, of Wil-

mington, Del., spent a few days with relatives in town. Mrs. Jacobs before her marriage was Miss Esther Brown, and was a resident of Boalsburg. Rumor has it that Elmer Houtz has

leased the Dr. Kidder farm and will engage in farming. Also that Al Lee purchased the D. M. Campbell farm, near Linden Hall, and will occupy it having sold his home on West street to John Kimport, of Walnut

Mr. and Mrs. George Stuart and Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Stuart and daughter, Elizabeth, of Ingram, spent the Christmas season among relatives and friends; Mrs Reuben Stuart remaining until Thursday, was accompanied home by Miss Mary Markle, who will visit for a short time there with Mrs. Stuart.

Miss Margaret Bingaman spent a

few days with her parents, at Beavertown. Miss Ella Freed visited at Williamsport with her parents, and Miss Rosalie McCormick spent a few days at her home in Hublersburg, all returning in time to open their schools

on Thursday morning, after a pleasant Christmas vacation.
On Saturday evening, Dec. 23rd, Miss Elmire Goheen passed away after a lingering illness. Miss Goheen was aged 73 years and was a life-long citizen of this vicinity. Surviving are one sister, Miss Lucretia, and two brothers, John B., of Rock Springs, and William, of Boalsburg. Funeral services, conducted by her pastor, Rev. Barger, were held on Tuesday at two o'clock. Burial was made in the Slab

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Dale and family, of the Branch; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dale, of Reitz's Gap; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Brooks, of Pleasant Gap; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Kuhn, of Walnut Grove; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Wagner and Norman Slagle, of Altoona; Mrs. Harry Markle and daughter, of Oak Hall, were among the visitors in town on Christmas.

AARONSBURG.

Mrs. C. E. Musser visited with her daughter, Mrs. John Pressler, in Belle-Mrs Clinton Stricker spent the holiday season among friends in various

Miss Lydia Walter, of Coburn, is spending several weeks with her siser. Mrs. Keener.

James Musser, who spent the fall at home, accompanied Albert Mingle to Akron on Tuesday.

Talsing Tunds to Turinsh their new church. Saturday night they held an oyster supper in Stitzer's hall, while on Monday, New Year's day, they earn which will Akron on Tuesday.

Mrs. Bohn, of Tusseyville, is spend-

ing several days with her parents, Mr. add of the Albert Mingle on Tuesday morning eft for Akron, where he has been em-

ployed for some time. Samuel Winters, of Rebersburg, has been spending several days with his aunt, Mrs. Jennie Sylvis. Henry Walter, of Millmont, spent Sunday with his sisters, Mrs. A. D.

Kuner and Mrs. Adleman.

Mrs. Leslie Miller and baby, of Pleasant Gap, are visiting Mrs. Miler's mother, Mrs. Chas. Wolfe.

Mrs. Wm. Fredney, of Holton, Kan., is visiting friends in town. While here she is the guest of Mrs. R. W. Mensch. Miss Margaret Weaver, of Hublersburg, after spending several weeks with her mother, Mrs. Effie Weaver,

on Friday returned to Hublersburg.

Mrs. Marr, of Philipsburg, is again spending a short time with her mother, Mrs. A. D. Weaver, who for some time has not been in her usual good health. However, her friends wish her

a speedy recovery. On Saturday evening, Dec. 23rd, the Lutheran Sunday School of our town had there Christmas service, which thresherman, an every operator of a steam plant of any kind, attend this meeting and learn what they are up against. Every farmer is also interested. stood. On Tuesday evening, Dec. 26, the Reformed Sunday School also had a service which was well rendered for the very short time they had to pre-pare for it. Several pantomines were a part of the program one of which, "Rock of Ages," was especially splen-

did, being very touching and giving all who would food for thought.

Christmas brought a goodly number of absent ones home for the day. Folto this Legislature with a good, strong organization. A representative of the state organization will be present. The state of the risburg, and Miss Edith Ross, of New Cumberland, guests of 'Squire Storn and wife; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hawk, of Lock Haven, guests of Mrs. Hawk's father, Geo. E. Storn, and grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Beaver; Albert Mingle, of Akron, Ohio, at E. G. Mingles; P. C. Weaver, also of Akron, Mrs. Wm. Sommers and daughter, Sareh of Clearfield, guests of Mrs. Sarah, of Clearfield. guests of Mrs. Sarah Leitzell; Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Sarah Leitzell; Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Musser, of Akron, were guests of Dr. C. S. Musser and Mr. and Mrs. Otto; Ammon Steffen, of Ohio, with his father, Harry Steffen; Walter Orwig, of Milton, with his family, also George Stahl, of Milton, was an over Sunday guest of his sister, Miss Mary Stahl; Mr. and Mrs. Ebon Bower, of Bellefonte, with Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bower; Harry King, of Yeagerstown, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur King.

PLEASANT GAP ITEMS.

'Squire Herman says a crook with brains can keep out of more trouble than an honest fool. Butcher Eckel makes the bold assertion that a successful liar always sprinkles a little truth over the top of

the barrel. Mrs. Leslie E. Miller and son, Dean, Mrs. Leslie E. Miller and son, Dean, have been visiting friends in lower Penns Valley. They report having a most enjoyable time.

Mrs. Rachael Noll, although a con-

stant church patron, says its just as well that the heathen don't know where all the missionary money comes from. This is the way Abner Noll expresses it—when a youth looses his head, he thinks its his heart; when an old man looses his, he reaches for his pocket-

book. Harry Twitmire and bride, of Wilmerding, are visiting his mother, Mrs. Henry Twitmire, and numerous other friends here. Congratulations are being given them.

There was a shortage of turkeys at the Gap for the holiday season. Wm. Kerstetter says it is immaterial to him as long as the supply of backbone, spare-ribs and country sausage holds

Edith Herman, after having undergone an operation at the Bellefonte hospital, has returned home and is slowly recovering. Her speedy recovery would be hailed with joy by her numerous friends. The new Lodge of the P. O. S. of A.,

recently organized at the Gap, made a very creditable display at the funeral of their brother, Lester Shuey, on Monday last. Nearly fifty members were in the procession.

The White Rock Lime Works are running in fairly good shape. They are fireing nine kilns regularly and expect to add more as soon as the coal famine subsides. They have been hampered somewhat on account of coal

shortage. The Rev. McKechny, wife and daughter are spending their holiday vacation at Berwick, Pa., with their son. All agree that the Reverend is entitled to a much-needed rest, since he is one of the busiest men in this community.

Now that C. K. Stitzer has moved into his new store next door to Steinberg Bros., and since competition is the life of trade, it is to be hoped that the consumers will be benefitted as a result of the close proximity of the merchants in question.

The Lutheran children's service held in their church Saturday night. Dec. 23rd, was very largely attended standing room was at a premium. The program was very ably carried out, the performers being highly complimented for their efficiency.

Frank Barnes, after quitting his job at White Rock, is again an employee of the Western Penitentiary. Frank is an energetic hustler and as a rule makes good at anything he embarks in. A man who does what is right is never long out of employment.

Harry Grove, who recently severed his connection with the White Rock Lime works, has secured employment with the Pennsylvania Railroad at Tyrene, and if his anticipations materialize he expects to move his family to Tyrone and make that place future home.

The Rod and Gun Club, of Pleasant Gap, pulled off their annual New Year's shooting match on Monday. Quite a number of contestants participated. Pigs, turkeys and chickens were the prizes contested for. The incident attracted quite a bunch of marksmen.

The friends of Wm. Baumgardner will be gratified to know that he is recuperating nicely since undergoing a Cabin cemetery.

Mrs. H. F. McGirk and daughter, of Bellefonte; Mr. and Mrs. Forrest McGirk and daughter, Jane, of Altoona; Mrs. C. M. Dale and family, of Mrs. C. M. Dale and Mrs. C. M. Dale and family, of Mrs. C. M. Dale and Mrs. C. M. Dale himself again ere long.

Samuel Waite has secured a situation at the Western Penitentiary as night watchman. Sammy is a very correct man in all of his deliberations; he is conscientious so far as carrying out the instructions of his superiors, hence will make a valuable man on the new Penitentiary force.

The Pleasant Gap M. E. congregation had their children's festivities, or cantata, recently, which proved a decided success. The church was packed to overflowing, and the renditions were superlatively grand. All who were so fortunate as to be present were delighted with the entertainment. The ladies of the Lutheran congregation are industriously engaged raising funds to furnish their

ed quite a handsome sum which will add materially toward the furnishing of their new edifice. Jared Evy, one of our efficient eamsters, realizing that to be a farmer signifies prosperity and inde-pendence, expects to move to the farm of the Hon. John Noll, at Pleasant Gap, on April 1st, and engage in that profitable vocation. He is admirably qualified and will no doubt make a remunerative success in the new field in which he is about to embark.

Mrs. Edna Fatkins, she of fraternity fame of State College, came to Pleas-ant Gap a week ago to visit her numerous friends here. After spending two days at the Gap she proceeded to the Loysville Lutheran Orphan's Home to see her two little daughters, who are students in that institution. After a few days pleasantly spent with her children she returned home on New Year's day. Well. Christmas for the present sea-

son is a thing of the past. The old time customs were closely observed at the Gap. Abundance of eats and hilarious good time was the order of the day. Many sumptuous meals were served and hugely enjoyed by the multitude. Ex-Commissioner Harry Zimmerman and his good wife had a lay-out fit for the gods. Eighteen plates were laid, the guests being principally near relatives, sons and daughters and a few intimate friends. A jolly good time was the result. Grandmother Bilger, who has enjoyed this life for the past eighty-three summers had her annual feast, twenty twenty-three intimate friends and relatives participating. This is an annual occurrence at the Bilger home, otherwise Mrs. Bilger could not exist. All were dlighted with the festivities.

This is an important time of the year for the periodical reformers. year for the periodical reformers. It is a common custom to swear off or turn a new leaf at the beginning of the year. The first essential in reform is a consciousness of being in the wrong; the next an earnest desire to change. These are essential to any reformation. No doubt you can recall some friend who has been trying to break of drinking, chewing or smoking for several years, but has only reached the point where he is able to resist the temptation to buy and use the vile stuff. There is only one way to overcome these pernicious habits and that is to quit and stay quit. It must be said to the credit of our young men of the Gap, they never drink un-less when alone or in company. To change the monotony they may occassionally patronize the rear entrance of some of the Bellefonte dispensers.