

Correspondence, containing important news, solicited from any part of the county. No communications inserted unless accompanied by the real name of the writer.

Local Department.

New moon last night. Hon. L. A. Mackey was registered at the Bush House last Friday. Gen. James A. Beaver speaks at Indiana, this state, on Decoration Day. One of the most useful members of the community now is the street sprinkler. The Cummings House, kept by our friend, Mr. Krom, is a temperance hotel. Ladies, be prepared to donate a few flowers towards Decoration Day ceremonies. The circus last Friday was considered very good and spoken of approvingly by all who attended. There is a tide in the lives of men which taken at its flood leads on to—John Powers and Son's shoe store. The store of Mr. Thompson, of Potter's Mills, which was recently destroyed by fire, will soon be rebuilt. Hon. James Milliken is again spending a few days in town. He is as handsome and distinguished looking as ever. Col. Hoy, who gave us a few temperance lectures a couple of weeks ago, has set up his large tent in Williamsport. Some of the house plants now displayed at the residence of ex-Governor Curtin are particularly choice and beautiful. The rite of confirmation was administered to five persons in the Episcopal church, this place, last Friday evening. The big show or something else of a magnetic nature drew Dr. Miles Kirk all the way up from Rebersburg last Friday. Extensive preparations are making for Decoration Day in Clearfield. Henry Ward Beecher is advertised to be the principal flower. The Ladies' Missionary Society of the Episcopal church will meet at the residence of Dr. Hibler, this afternoon at half past 3 o'clock. Mr. Joseph Thompson, of Snow Shoe, came to town last Friday to interview the manager. He didn't care much about the circus. Ladies, step into John Powers & Son's shoe store and try on that dear little Cinderella shoe now on exhibition in front of the store. It is grand to walk through the woods this weather and listen to the gentle wind sighing through the branches of the tall pine trees. Mr. Adolph Loeb has added a bay-window to the southern exposure of his residence on the corner of Spring and Bishop streets. Peter Herdic is again in Williamsport, and, between his spells of sickness, is undergoing the interesting process of being arrested and furnishing bail. Rev. Hewitt, father of Rev. John Hewitt, of this place, has received and accepted a call to the rectorship of the Episcopal congregation of Ridgeway, Elk county. The Park House, formerly Herdic House, Williamsport, has recently been repaired to the tune of \$20,000. Ten thousand rolls of paper were used in repairing the interior. A sixteen-year-old fat boy who accompanied the circus and exhibited in one of the side-shows only weighed five hundred pounds. He must feel delightful this warm weather. Rev. W. W. Campbell, of Unionville, has made the subject of Astronomy one of his special studies. He recently gave an interesting lecture on the subject in the M. E. church of that place. There was a large audience at the Baptist church last Sunday evening, it being the occasion of the third anniversary of the church in this place. The choir was much larger than usual and sang well. From an item in the Altoona Tribune we notice that Mr. D. K. Tate, of this place, has contracted to build a \$2,500 school house for the people of Johnstown, his bid being \$1,000 less than any other. We were pleased to see Mr. Charles Ryan on the street again the other day. He has not recovered his sight completely yet, but can detect a gradual improvement, and can tell a white horse from a black one every time. Mr. Hoppes, of the Bush House, spent a day last week angling for fish, and we believe met with good success. If the fish have to be eaten by any one they seem to prefer to be taken to a first-class hotel like the Bush House. The fast train which we some time since noticed as going all the way from New York to Chicago in twenty-four hours, was at the time supposed to be laden with tobacco. It now appears that it contained nothing but a load of silver. High street bridge is receiving the extraordinary repairs recommended by council two weeks since, and our grocers, S. A. Brew & Son still enjoy the extraordinary amount of patronage which their fair and honorable dealing entitle them to. Company D, the recently formed military company of Huntingdon, received two hundred and forty yards of cloth towards the manufacture of uniforms. Every man and boy in Centre county should visit the clothing store of J. Newman, Jr., and purchase a new suit of clothes.

We regret to learn that the Hon. John Walls, a prominent and highly esteemed citizen of Lewisburg, Union county, Pa., has been obliged to undergo amputation of the right hand in consequence of a painful cancerous affection from which he has suffered for some years past. Judge Walls has many friends in Centre county. To the older portion of the people of Penns and Brush valleys he is especially well and favorably known through years of business intercourse with them as a merchant and grain dealer, and in his affliction he will have their sympathy as well as their sincere wishes for recovery to health. Messrs. Houseal & Teller, of the Brokerhoff House, have addressed a circular to everybody, who, in leaving the heat and dust of the city, desire pleasant quarters in the country. The circular is neat in phrasing and entertaining in its style of description. The many attractions Bellefonte presents as a resort for summer loiterers are set forth and the attention of those interested is called to the desirability of the Brokerhoff House as a hotel with the attractions and conveniences of home. This is the proper way to bring Bellefonte prominently forward as a summer resort. The negro Exodus from the South is rapidly playing out. The Genesis of the report, however, is doubtful, and Numbers may yet leave. We refer the matter to better Judges.—Pittsburg Leader. Whose Acts we hope will accord with Leviticus (the law).—Altoona Tribune. It will furnish the subject for many more Chronicles, for the negroes not discovering the anticipated Micah mine, will cease singing Psalms, send up Lamentations, and give it up as a bad job. Just Mark it! Of Mr. Harry Wells, this place, who died last Sabbath afternoon, it may in truth be said that he was cut down in the bloom of his youth and in the freshness and usefulness of his young manhood. He was the principal support of a large family and a consistent member of the Baptist church, but that dread disease, consumption, did its dreadful work on a frame which, a year ago, was apparently one of the sturdiest among those we were accustomed to meet. The Phillipsburg Journal records a disagreeable accident which occurred to Mr. E. M. Sturdevant, of that place, on Monday week. Mr. S. was on his way in a sulky to Beaver Mills, when a stick being thrown by the wheel against the leg of the horse, caused the animal to kick, striking Mr. Sturdevant's right leg. The result was a compound fracture, both bones being broken. Surgical aid was summoned and Mr. S. is now doing as well as can be expected. The season for summer holidays is gradually drawing near. Rev. Hewitt, of the Episcopal church, will take his this week, and as a consequence his congregation will have to forego his valuable ministrations on Sunday next. It is not to be exactly a holiday, either, as in his absence he will be engaged in church work in company with Bishop Howe. We hope that it may result in mental and physical benefit to each of them. Our popular ex-Sheriff, D. Z. Kline started on quite an extensive journey last Monday afternoon. He has now about reached the first point at which he intends to stop—Coburn, Montgomery county, Iowa. In another week he will visit West Union, Fayette county, the same State, where he expects to remain for five or six weeks. We hope his western trip may be a pleasant and profitable one to him. Mr. W. P. Furey, says the Phillipsburg Journal, has been transferred from the conductorship of the Morristown branch passenger train to the main division, and will remove with his family to Tyrone. Mr. William Rhoads, lately in charge of the local freight and passenger accommodation, will take the position made vacant by Mr. Furey, and with his family will reside at Phillipsburg. The "test" well at Osceola requires a new cable to finish up the contract, which is now being secured, and ere long we are assured the question of oil or no oil will be satisfactorily answered. If patience and perseverance are deserving of success, then this "test" well ought to make a good oil strike. "So mote it be."—Phillipsburg Journal. The county of Union, for a small county, seems to grow about as many candidates for the office of sheriff to the square mile as many other counties of larger pretensions. In the last number of the Lewisburg Chronicle we notice no less than fourteen announcements for that office subject to the Republican primary election. Samuel H. Gray, of Altoona, is advertising for a wife. He wishes one with a little property, and not over fifty years of age. The only other requirement we can think of is that any young lady who contemplates replying to the advertisement should buy her shoes of John Powers & Son. The statement made by J. Newman, Jr., in our paper last week created such an excitement that all through circus day his store was literally overflowing with customers. He sold so many goods and talked to so many people that in the evening he was completely fatigued. He still offers to the public the unprecedented bargains in men's and boys' clothing which have made his name a household word.

An additional freight train has recently been put on the Snow Shoe road. It reaches this place at 11:20 A. M., leaving at 2 P. M. The many friends of Gen. Geo. W. Leidy will be glad to learn that he has engaged quarters at the Brokerhoff House for the summer. He is a genial gentleman and will be a great addition to Bellefonte society. A handsome sister of Miss Snowden, the musician, was visiting her during last week. When she went, however, Miss Snowden could not resist the temptation to go also, so they both departed together on the early morning train last Monday. Another new planet has been discovered by Professor—Professor—oh, we forgot his name; but anyway it may be seen and is on exhibition on Allegheny street at the exclusive dry-goods store of J. H. Bauland, together with many other articles too numerous to mention. The Soldiers' Association of Millin county will hold its third annual reunion at Belleville, on Thursday June 12, 1879. Col. A. Wilson Norris will be the orator of the occasion. The Millin county association is an organization similar to the Veteran Club of this county. Judge Dean, sitting in the Blair county court, refused on Monday last the granting of twenty-one license petitions; one in Hollidaysburg, two in Tyrone, and eighteen in Altoona. Two in Altoona were held over for further hearing. Twenty-three licenses were granted in Altoona. The Clinton Democrat speaks of a silver wedding at Milton, celebrated by Rev. Gotwald and his estimable lady, at which there were about two hundred and fifty guests, and many valuable presents. Rev. Gotwald was formerly of Sugar Valley and his wife was Miss Murray, of Logansville. Mr. Simon S. Spangler, of Milos township, an old friend and war companion, gave us a call on last Friday and subscribed for the Democrat. Lieutenant Spangler was one of the gallant members of Company A, of the 14th Regiment, and since the close of the war has followed the peaceful vocation of a farmer. May he always prosper. The General Assembly which met at Saratoga a few days ago discussed the propriety of church members attending theatres, and referred the question to the Committee on Bills and Overtures. A proposition that the wives of all the members henceforth purchase their ribbons and dress goods of our dry-goods friend J. H. Bauland, shared the same fate. We were glad to meet our old friend, Mr. Samuel K. Faust, of Miles township, in town last week. Mr. F. was on his usual tour of business, and we believe sold several of his excellent and handsomely finished buggies here and in the neighborhood. Samuel is a first-class manufacturer of all kinds of vehicles, and is always ready to guarantee his work. When in want of a good wagon or sleigh give him a call and you will not go wrong. We regret to learn that Mr. Joseph Beck, who went last summer from near Wolf's Store, in Miles township, to a new home in Lincoln county, Kansas, has lately experienced a most sorrowful affliction in the death of his only children—two in number—from that dreadful scourge diphtheria. Mr. Beck was himself quite ill for some time, but is now in a fair way to recover his usual health. Sincere sympathy is felt and expressed for Mr. B. and wife in their sad bereavement by their old neighbors and friends in Brush valley. "Forks" is a correspondent who sends witty letters from Coburn, this county, to the Sunbury Democrat. He is a four-lined silver fork of the very best kind, and in his last communication uses the following language about his immediate vicinity: "I don't see how people who live any where but in Centre county can be satisfied, and I am not so certain about such of those who are too far away from Coburn, for here we surely have the most glorious natural scenery, the most invigorating atmosphere, the largest trout, and the best beer of any place in the world, and as for excitement, we need step aside for no one—scarcely a day passing without something of interest occurring—for instance we lately have had three cases of broken limbs, each occurring in separate accidents, and several episodes of such a character as may ultimately lead to a divorce or two after the true inwardness of the same comes to light." The sudden renewal of the temperance discussion in this place is receiving a fresh impetus under the agreeable and convincing conversational deliverances on the subject by Mrs. Ellis, of Philadelphia. Each evening during the latter part of last week a few of the faithful assembled to hear her in the Centennial Club room. On Sunday at 4 P. M. a meeting was held in the Young Men's Christian Association room, at which all the available space, even for standing, was occupied. We understand the meetings are continued in the Centennial club this week. Mrs. E. is a slight, delicate lady, well educated, with a sweet face, and a voice the lowest intonations of which can be distinctly heard. She never rises to a declamatory pitch, but with little apparent effort speaks with a persuasive eloquence which is deeply impressive. She brings no new message to the temperance community here, except to persevere in opposing the power of rum. She deserves success in her labors. Forest fires did much damage last week in the vicinity of Snow Shoe.

The Howard Iron Works. PAST HISTORY, PRESENT STATUS AND FUTURE PROSPECTS. Away back in the first third of the century, fifty years ago, the attention of capitalists and iron masters was attracted to the fine ores of Nittany Valley, in what are now Marion and Walker townships, and in 1830 the water power furnished by Lick Run, cutting through the Bald Eagle Mountain at Hoy's Gap and emptying into Bald Eagle Creek just below the borough of Howard, was utilized by the erection of a furnace for the purpose of putting them into marketable condition. During a large part of the half century which will close with 1880, Howard furnace was one of the many whose fires lighted the Bald Eagle Valley from Tyrone to Lock Haven, and of them all it is the only one now in operation, with the exception of Curtin's. How many thousands of tons of the useful metal the valley has in this time furnished to the industries of the world perhaps no man can tell, but it is certain that of it all none was of better quality than that sent from Howard. A complete history of the furnace would require more time and space than we can now devote to it, but we give a synopsis of the changes in its management which will be of interest to our readers: It was built in 1830 by Harris, Thomas & Co., and operated by them until 1833 or 1834, when the firm name was changed to Harris, Rohrer & Co., followed shortly by Harris, Lex & Co., until in 1837 the firm name became Valentines, Harris & Co. During these years, and until 1840, the active manager on the ground was Joseph Harris. In 1842 Jacob V. Thomas & Co. became the lessees, and it was operated under their management until 1848, when it was purchased by Irvin, Thomas & Co., who remained in power until 1861. After a period of three years of idleness it was sold in 1864 to Griscom, Bright & Co., who sold to Henry Hill, and he was in time succeeded by Lauth, Thomas & Co., who operated it from 1873 until the beginning of the current year, when it came into the possession of the present proprietor, Bernard Lauth. As an interesting instance of the tenacity with which families cling to localities, we may state here that among those who helped in the erection of the furnace was John Hannon, who hauled the first stick of timber for the building, and that from that time to the present members of his family have been constantly employed about the works—at least six of the name being in the service of the present proprietor. While it is true that the greater number of the administrations which have held sway over the past of Howard Furnace have been characterized by great ability, energy and economy, and that these have had their just reward, there is no doubt that its immediate future will be marked by a greatly increased activity. In falling into the hands of Mr. Lauth, it has become the possession of a man of great resources of experience, energy and genius, backed by capital sufficient to meet every possible demand, and all these are now being brought to bear to make of it one of the finest iron establishments in the country. The pig metal is technically known as cold blast charcoal iron, and its superior quality has always commanded for it a ready and remunerative market; but not content with this, and knowing the value of his metal, Mr. Lauth has determined to carry its manufacture several degrees further, multiplying its value many times before it leaves his hands. For this purpose great improvements have been planned and are now in progress. First among these may be noted the placing of large and substantial iron blast cylinders at the furnace proper, the effect of which will be a largely increased production of pig metal. Near this a cupola and foundry are being erected in which to re-melt and cast the metal into all the forms of cast iron, for the finishing and fitting of which a machine shop, with all the modern improvements, cutters, planers, &c., is being built near the old rolling mill. Indeed some of these machines are now running under the old roof. At this part of the works are to be erected a series of forge fires, for the conversion of a portion of the products of the furnace into blooms and slabs. To aid in this work, one of the finest steam hammers made in this country, of four thousand pounds weight, made by Bernert & Son of Philadelphia, has been purchased, and will soon be in position. For the still further increase of the value of the iron made at these works, Mr. Lauth has in contemplation the erection of a wire mill, of entirely new design, of his own invention; and which will be as much of an improvement upon the ordinary wire mills of the day, as his great hoop mill, of which we will speak more in detail at another place, is upon the old style. While thus making improvements and additions at the works proper, Mr. Lauth is also giving a large share of attention to the foundation of them all, namely, his ore banks. The one locally known as the "Beech Creek" and which has heretofore been leased by those who have operated Howard, has been purchased, and is being fitted with engine and machinery for washing, water for which is to be provided by the boring of an artesian well. A well of the same kind is also to be put down at the Hulersburg bank. All of these improvements are now in progress; some of them will be completed within a few weeks, and before mid summer has reached us probably all will be in operation.

A paragraph or two as to the personnel of the present management of the works may not be inappropriate. Mr. Bernard Lauth, the presiding genius, is a genial, hearty gentleman of Franco-German birth, (born near Strasburg in 1820, and left there for America in 1831), yet on the sunny side of sixty, who, notwithstanding disadvantages in early life, has achieved fame and acquired fortune, by the exercise of his own inventive genius, energy and business integrity. When, just two years following the date of the erection of the works of which he is now the owner, he entered the rolling mill of Shoenberger at Pittsburg, to pull up the furnace doors for the heaters at the nominal wages of one dollar per week, he probably expected, if indeed, he thought at all upon the subject, to spend his days as a laborer. To-day, with the 60th milestone of his years yet in advance of him he is known over the iron-making world as an inventor who has, by the exercise of his unaided genius, added millions to the value of the world's iron products, inscribed his name high upon the roll of his adopted country's most useful citizens, and acquired for himself a position quite equal to any demand likely to be made upon it by his family, or his large business interests. From this small starting point Mr. Lauth made rapid strides in the manufacture of iron, and from that time to this has made it the business of his life. While he was yet a boy, but seventeen years of age, he had charge of the rolls in one of the largest mills of Pittsburg, and was earning from fifteen to twenty dollars per day, and when but twenty-seven years old commenced business for himself as an iron master, at Zanesville, Ohio, with means accumulated from his own earnings. In 1856 he came back to Pittsburg, built the great American Iron Works there, afterwards took Messrs. Jones and Laughlins into partnership with him, and in 1862 sold his interest to them because his inventions were demanding his attention abroad. After some years spent in Europe, Mr. Lauth returned and settled at Reading, where he built a rolling mill in which he still owns an interest, and in 1872 formed the company known as Lauth, Thomas & Co., purchased Howard furnace and removed to his present residence there. Mr. Lauth has given to the world no less than four important inventions in the working of iron, viz: Cold rolled shafting, a straightening machine, the three-high plate rolls, and his wire hoop mill. Of these perhaps the first outranks the others in importance. Not only all the shafting of the country is made under this patent, but it is applied to almost all kinds of rolled iron, including even the finger bars of mowers and reapers, all of which are made by this process. The hoop mill, which is the last product of Mr. Lauth's fertile brain, has already worked a complete revolution in the manufacture of hoops, which will be the better appreciated when we state that it will without the aid of any skilled labor whatever, and with no attendance, excepting that required to feed it with the heated bars, make hoops seventy feet long, and at the rate of from sixteen to twenty per minute. Although this invention of Mr. Lauth's is but a year or two old, its fame is fast becoming world wide. One half the patent has been purchased by the Bethlehem Iron Company, who are running the second machine built under it. One has already been shipped to Prussia, and others are in course of erection to follow. Of course Mr. Lauth could not attend in person to all the details of his business, and is fortunate in having able lieutenants to second him. His son, John N. Lauth, Esq., who inherits his father's business energy and enterprise, is recognized as general manager. A son-in-law, Mr. William Wilhelm, looks after the rolling mill and its appurtenances, and another son-in-law, J. A. Comerford, Esq., has since the dissolution of the firm of Lauth, Thomas & Co. rendered it necessary, abandoned the practice of law in the far West, and assumed the superintendence of the mercantile part of the establishment. Thus, it will be seen, a new era has been marked in the life of Howard Iron Works, and with the prospective revival of the iron trade, which seems soon to come, we predict for it a brilliant and prosperous future. An appropriate address signed by D. S. Keller, Esq., and Capt. R. C. Chestman will be found on another page. A meeting of the decoration committee was appointed for Tuesday evening, but was not held, and therefore no more definite programme than was given last week has yet been prepared. Rev. W. A. Biggart has consented to be the orator of the day. The exercises of Decoration Day will involve considerable tramping around, and to thoroughly enjoy the exercises it will be necessary to purchase new and substantial covering for the feet from our elegant boot and shoe manufacturers, John Powers & Son. We are exceedingly sorry to learn through Maj. J. B. Fisher, of Gregg township, that the venerable Gen. George Buchanan is in a very feeble condition of health. He is now unable to leave his bed, and the probabilities are that his span of life will soon terminate. A meeting of the Logan Hose Company is called for Tuesday evening, May 27, to make arrangements for participation in the exercises of Decoration Day, in acceptance of the invitation of the Decoration Committee.

THE SERMON OF BISHOP HOWE.—On the occasion of the visit of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Howe, Bishop of this diocese, to the parish in this place last Friday evening, he delivered a very instructive discourse. His text was taken from St. Luke 8: 14, containing the account of the seed which fell among thorns. Perhaps the parable of which this forms a part was given as much for the encouragement of those who sow the word as for any other purpose. Much preaching is done and apparently such small results follow, yet earnest preaching is never done in vain. In the instance given it is certainly the word that is sown, and yet in three of the four instances the results are almost failures. The special instance which forms our text is the seed which fell among thorns. The thorns are described as, first, the cares of this life. It is right that we should give proper care to the things of time, but should not suffer them to occupy our entire attention. We should be the judges of these matters and society has no right to dictate to us. How many cares has the ceaseless devotee of fashion, or she who night after night is accustomed to charm and fascinate by her intense efforts to please; and all this brilliancy, if it has no higher motive, is wasted. Much of our care arises from the distrust of our ability to succeed in the future, thus intruding on the special province of God. The second thorn mentioned is the riches of this life. An apostle terms it the "deceitfulness of riches." Riches are dangerous, not only to him who covets, but also to the possessor. They are deceitful, because what we imagine will satisfy us does not, and the pleasures we procure do not delight us as we thought they would. The last thorn mentioned is the pleasures of this life. It seems a strange term to give to pleasure, and yet it is most appropriate. There are pleasures that afford us rapturous delight, which, because of the peculiar constitution of man, must prove to be thorns. SERVICES AT THE REFORMED CHURCH.—The West Susquehanna Classis of the Reformed church in the United States met in annual session in St. John's Reformed church of Bellefonte, Wednesday, May 21st (yesterday). The session was introduced with divine service last evening, and will continue to the end of the week, to be concluded with divine services on Sunday morning and evening. The Reformed church in the United States is only the American branch of an ecclesiastical body that, in Europe, and this country, numbers about seven million members. This is one of the oldest of Protestant churches. Its doctrinal standard is the Heidelberg Catechism, dating back to the year 1563. West Susquehanna Classis is composed of twenty ministers of the Gospel together with a corresponding number of ruling elders. Mr. George Brew and Kyle McFarlane started off at an early hour yesterday morning, in a buggy and behind a handsome horse, attendance at a "barn-raising," we believe, being the object of the trip. This is an operation which usually demands hard work and affords much amusement. Under their combined efforts we have no doubt the barn floated gracefully heavenward as if on springs. While fun ran so high That the smiling calf Gravelly winked his eye. And joined in the laugh. The Republican informs us that several persons will start to Kansas on Tuesday next. Among the number are mentioned Benjamin Liggett and family and Matthew Adams and family. First-class round trip tickets to Dodge City or Ellis, Kansas, good for forty days, can be purchased for \$55; and to Colorado Springs or Denver, Col., for \$81.85, good until October 31, 1879. The new ten dollar national bonds seem to take with the people everywhere. Postmaster Johnson disposed of his first installment of them—\$20,000 in amount—in less than two days. Dr. Glenn has removed from Snow Shoe to Reedsville, Millin county. MARRIAGES. HUTTEL-SPRANKLE.—On the 18th instant, at the residence of Mrs. Henderson, Williamsport, by Rev. T. F. Rosser, Mr. George Hattel, of Philadelphia, and Miss Alice Sprankle, of this place. JAMES-LANSON.—At the residence of Mr. Henry Orser, in Liberty township, May 11, 1879, by the Rev. W. A. Ridge, Mr. James O. James and Miss Martha L. Lannon, all of Esqueville. CRABTREE-JONES.—On Tuesday, May 13, 1879, by Rev. N. H. Miller, assisted by Rev. W. C. Geismuller, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. J. Barrett Crabtree and Miss Delores A. Jones, both of Phillipsburg. RIDGLE-PETERS.—At the Methodist parsonage, Millersburg, on the 15th instant, by Rev. J. B. Shaver, Mr. Matthew F. Ridgle, of Pleasant Gap, Centre county, and Miss Anna E. Peters, of Lena, Illinois. THE DEPARTURE OF THIS LIGHTFUL CONSUMMATION OF MR. RIDGLE'S COURTSHIP COMES TO HIS MARY FRIENDS AS A pleasant surprise. For so long had they waited and watched for him to take to himself a life partner, and been disappointed, that they had comforted themselves with the unscriptural quotation, "Blessed are those who expect nothing for they will not be disappointed," and had been compelled to give him up as a Riddle past finding out. Almost every man, however, has a heart which must sooner or later be impressed and succumb to the varied charms of some one of the fair of Illinois' most lovely daughters to at length capture the heart of our Pleasant Gap friend. Throughout the changing scenes of this existence we with our friends a life of domestic bliss and conjugal happiness. May their hearts ever renew the love for each other which is now so fresh and strong. May it be many long years ere the grand finale of this life shall come to them, and even then may their spirits be united throughout a happy eternity. DEATHS. SPAW.—On the 8th inst. in Marion township, Mrs. Julia Ann Spaw, wife of John Spaw, aged 44 years, 6 months and 9 days. BUCHTEL.—At Pine Glen, May 6th, Joseph Buchtel, aged 42 years.