

# The Centre Democrat.

Thursday Morning, December 4, 1879.

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

**A CARD TO THE PUBLIC.**—Having sold my good will and part of my stock of ready made clothing to a firm in Philadelphia, to whom I have to give possession of my store room by Jan. 1, 1880, I now offer my stock of ready made clothing at actual cost and freight. This is an excellent chance for a good bargain. Respectfully,  
Nov. 13, 2m. J. NEWMAN, JR.

**NOTICE.**—The regular monthly meeting of the Undine Club will be held in the parlors of the club on Bishop street, on Tuesday evening December 9, 1879, at 8 o'clock. A full attendance is earnestly requested as business of importance is to be enacted.

W. A. LYON, GEO. R. BARRETT, JR.,  
President. Secretary.

## Local Department.

—December, the first winter month, has arrived.

—Marble playing is now the game with the boys.

—A woman's warranted shoe 98 cents, at Lyon & Co's.

—The moon will have waned to its last quarter next Saturday.

—A good hat 40 cents; a good cap 25 cents, at Lyon & Co's.

—The editor of the Millheim Journal now occupies a new residence.

—Mr. John G. Uzzle, of Snow Shoe, returned from his western tour last Friday.

—Sixty pupils attend the school taught by Mr. W. H. B. Eisenhuth, of Millheim.

—Splendid cashmere, all wool, at 45 cents, at Lyon & Co's.

—The Aaronburg Reformed congregation is at present without a regular pastor.

—A fine lot of choice confectionaries at Wilson's, corner of Allegheny and Bishop streets.

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—A roller skating rink in Bush's Hall is inducing many young folks to learn the graceful art.

—For clear toys, caramels and mixtures, go to Wilson's, corner of Allegheny and Bishop streets.

—Perhaps the best church choir in our town is that now singing for the Lutheran denomination.

—Mr. John Olewine is at present on a pleasure trip to Chicago. He will return in a few days.

—The handsomest lot of beavers, chinchillas, and a great many other stylish overcoats, at Lyon & Co's.

—Mr. Mich. Longwell, the sprightly messenger at the telegraph office, was quite ill last week of typhoid fever.

—The best stock of boots and shoes, which we warrant the very best and at the lowest prices, at Lyon & Co's.

—The Presbyterian Sabbath-school, of this place, last week, added a large collection of new books to its library.

—The Mountain City Band rendered several selections in their usual excellent manner last Thanksgiving Day.

—It is said that Miss Onnatch is preparing a concert exercise to be given by her pupils some time in the future.

—The Presbyterian Sabbath-school is preparing for a grand spelling bee to take place in the Wigwam this evening.

—The meeting last Thursday morning at the Y. M. C. A. room was one of the most enjoyable ever held by the Association.

—Dr. T. R. Hayes, who is visiting with his handsome and accomplished wife in New York city, is expected to return next week.

—Editor B. O. Deininger, of Millheim, added to our reason for profound thanks on Thanksgiving Day by a call at our office.

—Mr. A. J. Cruise has repaired the damage done to his glass show case by the recent revengeful action of his big Indian in falling on it.

—A new and much needed pavement has been laid the past week before the popular store of S. S. Lyon & Co., on Allegheny street.

—Last Sabbath the Presbyterian and Lutheran churches were well filled, as almost all the other Protestant churches in town were closed.

—Thirty-five or forty couples swung around the fantastic circle at the hall given by the Logan Hose Company Wednesday night of last week.

—The reading and library room of the Young Men's Christian Association was thrown open last Monday evening for the use of the public.

—Rev. C. F. Deininger, of Millheim, has recently been conducting protracted meetings in the Mountain Evangelical church at Seven Mountains.

—The people about Millheim still complain of a scarcity of water. Many wells and cisterns are dry, and it is necessary to go a long distance for water.

—Elder Johnson, who recently has been preaching in the Baptist church in this place, officiated in the Lutheran church at Pleasant Gap, last Sabbath.

—Persons of large experience have said that for neatness, beauty and even elegant appearance the books kept by Recorder W. A. Tobias are seldom equalled.

—Valentines & Co. have recently constructed a business office in the rear of their grocery store.

—The latest stock of ladies' hats, satins, ribbons, flowers and feathers at bottom prices, at Lyon & Co's.

—Mr. H. G. Cronister, one of our Martha Furnace friends, was in town on Monday looking exceedingly well.

—A good winter suit \$3.90, at Lyon & Co's.

—Gregg Post, G. A. R., now has its new rag carpet, woven in the national tricolors, laid upon the floor of the lodge room.

—The windows of the Model Book Store are prettily arranged, representing, it is said, the artistic talent of Mr. Augustus Hoover.

—The young ladies who visited at the residence of Mr. W. F. Reeder departed last week, leaving several inconsolable hearts behind them.

—Hon. William Wilson, one of the associate judges of Union county, is attending our court this week as a witness in one of the cases on the trial list.

—The forty-eight acres of the McCalmont farm known as the Beck addition was sold last Saturday to Mr. W. W. Beck for forty-seven dollars per acre.

—Dr. R. L. Darrt lost a pocket case of medicines between Bellefonte and Curtin's Forge. The finder will be properly rewarded by returning it to the Doctor.

—The "cottage prayer-meeting" of the Presbyterian denomination was held last Tuesday night at the residence of Mrs. Harvey Mann, near Mann's Axe Works.

—Rev. J. F. DeLong, of Williamsport, who has been called as pastor of the Reformed church, this place, will preach his first sermon next Sunday morning and evening.

—It is said that Mr. Jerome B. Stambach, of Aaronburg, now maintains his equilibrium with the aid of crutches. He cut his foot the other day "and that is the cause of it."

—Rev. S. L. Stiver, a native of this county, who has recently been preaching in St. Louis, has received and accepted a call from the Congregational church at Bunker Hill, Illinois.

—Mr. Samuel Huston, third son of Mr. James Huston, formerly of Nittany, this county, died a few weeks ago at his home in Kansas. Typhoid fever in its worst form caused his death.

—Mr. Philip Gross, grandfather of Mrs. Wm. B. Mingle, of Centre Hall, died recently at his home in New Berlin, Pa. He was a wealthy and liberal gentleman, whose loss will be much lamented.

—Lawrence L. Brown has made a large reduction in the retail selling price of anthracite coal. Call and get his figures. He guarantees best quality coal, well screened, correctly weighed and delivered promptly.

—Mr. James Weaver, of Aaronburg, while engaged the other day in peeling logs, accidentally peeled his knee. He is at present resting at home awaiting the recovery of the latter valuable member.

—Capt. Evan Miles and family, who have been spending some time among friends in this place, are now in Washington City. The Captain will return again before the expiration of his leave of absence.

—Mr. Samuel Ripka, of near Potters Mills, is becoming famous like the Prophet Samuel of old. But Mr. Ripka's celebrity arises from the fact that he raises such large turnips, one of them weighing six and one-fourth pounds.

—The rag carpet mania, to use a political vulgarity, still continues to "boom." The Young Men's Christian Association, of Centre Hall, are now endeavoring to procure one to cover the floor of their Association room.

—The handsomest and biggest stock of all-wool new dress goods, at Lyon & Co's, at less than city prices.

—Eagleville has an enterprising literary society which meets every Friday evening. Among the talented persons who are active members of the society are Edgar Clark, Alice Dehass, Laura Forester, H. H. Hershberger and H. B. Lucas.

—The union Thanksgiving service last Sunday morning in the M. E. church was not so well attended as it should have been. The sermon delivered by Rev. A. D. Yocum, pastor of the church, was highly appreciated by those who had the pleasure of hearing it.

—Mr. William Musser, proprietor of the Millheim hotel, is suffering from the effects of a bullet wound in the shoulder, received several years ago while hunting. The wound had never entirely healed, but it was not apprehended that it would cause him any serious trouble.

—Rev. A. D. Yocum, of the M. E. church, this place, was called away from town on a sorrowful errand last Saturday. It was to see his little daughter, who, while visiting in Baltimore with her mother and sister, was taken ill with scarlet fever. We hope soon to hear of her recovery.

—We are glad to learn that the oyster supper given in the Ironworkers' building, for the benefit of the Forge Sunday-school, on Thanksgiving evening, was a success. The proceeds amounted to twenty-five dollars, and everybody had a happy time.

—"Warren" is even reported to have stowed away four dishes full of the delicious bivalves.

—The Pennsylvania State Grange, P. of H., will meet at Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Pa., on Tuesday, December 9, 1879.

—Leonard Rhone.

—Sechler & Co., whose name has become synonymous of a neat and well kept grocery store, invites the attention of everyone to his excellent stock now in readiness for the holiday trade.

—A new musical society has been organized in Milesburg, with Mr. L. T. Eddy as leader. It meets in the hall belonging to Mr. Levy, which that gentleman has tendered to the society free of charge.

—The holidays are drawing near and the appointments of S. A. Brew & Son's grocery store grow correspondingly more attractive. It is the place to buy all your holiday groceries. He also keeps constantly on hand the largest and cheapest array of candies in town.

—Just think of the wonderful fact that less than a month remains to buy a new suit of J. Newman, Jr. In a short time the sale of his store will take effect when the buyers will have to deal with new people. Then hasten and take advantage of his reduced prices.

—A good boy's suit \$3.25, at Lyon & Co's.

—The most attractive place in this town continues to be the Eagle Clothing Hall of J. Newman, Jr. The moderate prices at which clothing can be bought at that establishment is startling to everybody. Newman warrants all his goods to be equal to the best.

—Next Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock the regular monthly meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association will be held in their rooms. A quartette of colored singers have offered to render as a voluntary that lovely selection entitled "Wonderful words of Life."

—A regular meeting of the Logan Hose company will be held in their hall this evening. A full attendance of members is requested, as nomination of officers and other important business is pending.

—The best line of shirts from 45 cents up, at Lyon & Co's.

—Katy, a little two-year-old daughter of J. Dunlop Shugert, Esq., met with a painful accident last Saturday morning. One of her little fingers became caught in the revolving sewing machine and was most cruelly injured. We hope the pain has ere this all vanished from the little finger, and until it does we cannot help in very sympathy from suffering with her.

—Now that Thanksgiving is numbered among the great days of the past and the approach of the Christmas holidays draweth nigh, we will allow the prettiest young lady in town to take her choice in manufacturing for us as a Christmas gift, a pair of slippers, a dressing gown or a purse in which to carry silver. If all of these should be received, however, they would not be refused.

—Best calicoes 5½ cents per yard, at Lyon & Co's.

—Notwithstanding the late rise in prices and the fact that almost every merchantable commodity is bringing from 25 to 100 per cent more than it did three months ago, I have determined to make a large reduction in the retail price of anthracite coal. At the reduced figures it is equal in economy with coke or any other fuel, and is certainly superior and much more satisfactory to handle when used for family purposes. I buy the best quality of Wilkesbarre coal and guarantee that it will be carefully screened, correctly weighed and promptly delivered.

LAWRENCE L. BROWN.

—An item in the Philadelphia Record says that a charter has been granted for the Lock Haven and Clearfield Railroad Company in Clinton, Centre and Clearfield counties. It will extend from a point on the line of the Bald Eagle Valley Railroad, near the mouth of Beech Creek, to a point on the line of the Tyrone and Clearfield Railroad, at Philipsburg, Centre county. The capital stock is \$1,000,000, divided into 2,000 shares of \$50 each. The President is George B. Roberts, of Philadelphia, and the directors, Wistar Morris, N. Parker Shortridge, Edmund Smith, J. N. Dubarry, Strickland Kneass, and John P. Green.

—If you want an overcoat for \$2.50, call at Lyon & Co's.

—The progress which the pupils now attending the public schools are making is quite remarkable. The course of study which they are taking is the most useful that could be devised. Some time since we were given a peep at an examination paper in U. S. History. Among the questions was one requiring the pupil to give the names of all the Presidents and the issue upon which each was elected. The amount of useful knowledge involved in a correct answer to such a question is very large and it is more than many persons of considerable pretensions to knowledge can give. All the questions which the paper contained were of a like useful and practical character. It is evident that the schools, under the present regime, are taking "a step, a long step and a step all together" in the right direction, and the confidence of the people in the present corps of teachers is not misplaced.

—Best muslins 6 cents per yard, at Lyon & Co's.

—Gen. Jesse Merrill, of Lock Haven, took in our court on Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning. He was here on legal business, and is a gentleman whom everyone is always glad to meet.

**DINING AT THE BUSH HOUSE.**—The new proprietor of that justly first-class and popular hotel, the Bush House, does not permit his light to remain hidden, but sends forth its illuminating rays in all directions. Last week, on Thanksgiving Day, probably induced to do so by the Republican's plaintive lament, supplemented by his own benevolent intentions, he prepared a great feast and bid all his friends, which of course includes all the editors, who are known to have an exceedingly tender feeling toward those accustomed to give entertainments, to assemble around his hospitable board. All accepted Mine Host's invitation with eager intensity and profound expressions of gratitude. One o'clock found many of Bellefonte's handsome inhabitants occupying their assigned seats about the prettily arranged tables. Among the invited guests were Mrs. Bush and lady governess, Mr. and Mrs. Calloway, Mr. H. Sechler and his interesting family, with many others. The menu was decidedly rich and varied, and by its nomenclature taxed one's knowledge of foreign languages, as by its elegance and variety it defied more than a taste here and there of its numerous dishes. Mr. E. T. Tuten, who was present with his pleasant lady, excelled his former efforts in the practical attestation of his great enjoyment of the feast. Choice viands disappeared as if by magic before his appreciative touch and taste. Friend Joseph Forey tasted but mincingly the fine array upon the first page of the menu, but made ample amends for all deficiencies in his repeated calls for the liquidous contents which formed the sequel to the bill-of-fare.

—None partook of this fine dinner but to praise it, and Mr. Myers may well be proud of this his maiden effort. If Thanksgiving always brings a repetition of this happy occurrence we would bid it come a dozen times a year. Mr. Myers employs the best of cooks and most skillful help in all departments. Cleanliness, neatness and taste mark all the appointments of the house. All who will patronize the hotel will find a gracious landlady and a pleasant landlord to welcome them.

—Splendid cashmere a yard wide 25 cents, at Lyon & Co's.

**THE COUNCIL MONDAY NIGHT.**—Last Monday evening, Councilman Shortridge treated his brother councilmen to a comparison on the water question. The city of Paris, he said, uses an average of 2½ gallons of water per day to each individual; Montpellier, France, uses 15 gallons; the French nation, 5 gallons; Constantinople, 15 gallons; London, 20 gallons; Vienna, 15 gallons; Philadelphia, 20 gallons; New York City, 40 gallons; Boston, 45 gallons; and Bellefonte, 80 gallons. Making due allowance for the fact that the people of Bellefonte are more cleanly in their habits than the inhabitants of other places, and so use more water in proportion, this at least suggests that an unnecessary quantity is used in our town. It may prove a fit subject for reflection. At a further stage of the proceedings a resolution was adopted refusing to entertain the application of Mr. G. W. Rodgers for the position of engineer at water works. Two dollars and forty-five cents were reported as the market fees for the past two weeks. The Finance Committee reported the collection of \$506.46 on duplicate of 1878; also reported that \$1525 of bonds bearing interest at 6 per cent, had been refunded and now bear 5 per cent interest.

**DEATH ON THE RAIL.**—Saturday night last a man by the name of William Wilson, whose home is in the vicinity of Valentines' forge, was run over by a passing engine and killed. The unfortunate man had been for some time employed at Philipsburg, and was last Saturday returning to his home in this place. Being to some extent under the influence of alcohol he did not leave the cars when they reached this place, and he was again carried to Milesburg and there put off. He remained in the depot there until it was necessary for him to leave, when the boys helped him across the railroad bridge on his way home. It is supposed he laid down on the track, as an extra freight engine returning to the switch at about 9:45 o'clock that night ran over his prostrate body. The engineer saw a shadow on the track and went back to see what it was, when the man was found in a horribly mangled condition. Justice Miles Green, of Milesburg, impanelled a jury, who returned a verdict according to the above facts. On Sunday, the lifeless and mutilated body was taken to his home, from which it was buried on Tuesday afternoon by the G. A. R., of which he was a member. Mr. Wilson leaves a large family to mourn his sad and terrible end. They deserve the condolence and sympathy of all.

—Gingham 6 to 8 cents per yard, at Lyon & Co's.

**PENNSYLVANIA STATE FAIR PREMIUM.**—The attention of farmers is directed to a new style of fencing, claimed by the agent to be built with a cash outlay of only three dollars per mile. Among the many prominent farmers who are using it we refer to J. Rockey, Wm. Dale, A. J. Shively, J. A. Hunter, Robt. Valentine, Curtin & Co. and Major Reynolds, as the cheapest fencing ever brought before the farmers of Centre county. It has been adopted by Granges wherever introduced. Headquarters at Garman's Hotel. Robert Moore, General Agent for New York, Penna. and W. Va.

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**INSTITUTE.**—The thirty-third annual session of the Centre County Teachers' Institute will be held in the Court House, this place, commencing Tuesday, December 23, at 9 o'clock A. M., and closing Friday evening, December 26. The sessions will be unusually lively and interesting, and each evening will be occupied with a lecture, for which some of the most talented men on the American rostrum have been engaged.

—The concert given by Mrs. Love and her many assistants on Christmas night will excel her previous entertainments. It will be held in Reynolds' Hall, and is for the benefit of the Baptist church.

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**COURT PROCEEDINGS.**—The following cases have been passed upon since our last issue:

Commonwealth vs. Alois Kohibecker, violation of liquor law. Verdict of guilty. Sentences suspended until January sessions.

Commonwealth vs. Andrew Heaton, cutting timber trees on the land of another. Verdict, not guilty and prosecutor to pay the costs.

**REPORT OF GRAND JURY.**—The Grand Inquest report that they have examined the jail and find it in a very comfortable condition, being warm, clean and well ventilated. The inside walls of the jail are in bad condition and not sufficiently strong to hold prisoners, but we do not know how it can be improved without incurring extraordinary expense, which we do not feel like recommending.

The cellar of the dwelling house portion of the jail is in bad condition, the floor being covered with water, probably occasioned by a leak in the drain pipe, which should be repaired immediately.

We found a quantity of lumber and rubbish in the jail yard which should be removed. The ropes used for drying clothes should be taken in when not in use, and the water closet should be removed to a point as far as possible from the outside wall.

We find that John Wagner, a German, who was arrested as a tramp, and against whom an indictment was sent into this Grand Jury and ignored, is still a prisoner. We believe the man to be innocent of the charge upon which he was arrested, and that in our opinion he should be released.

We find also, upon evidence produced before us, that a part of the road leading from Zion across the ridge to a point in the Jacksonville road near the residence of Daniel Grove, is in a very bad condition and should be repaired. Another part of this same road is not where originally laid out, but put upon a much steeper grade. There is a dispute between Spring and Marion townships as to which township these portions of the road are situated in, and the supervisors of both townships refuse to repair them.

Respectfully submitted,  
JAMES F. WEAVER, Foreman.

**SECOND WEEK.**

Commonwealth vs. Gottlieb Haag, violation of liquor law. Defendant plead guilty to second count of selling liquor to minors. Sentence deferred till January term, defendant giving bail in sum of \$300.

**CIVIL LIST.**

Alexander Harpster vs. Wm. Baumgardner. Appeal from Justice of the Peace. Verdict for the defendant.

Commonwealth vs. Jacob Bohn. Discontinued and costs paid by court.

Roderick F. Clow use of F. Casanova vs. Derby Coal Company et al. Continued for cause.

Bird Coal and Iron Company vs. The B. & S. R. R. Company, trespass. Plea of not guilty and continued.

The Valentines, John S. Sommerville et al. vs. Bird Coal and Iron Company et al., ejectment. Plead not guilty and continued.

J. F. Williams vs. S. H. Williams and W. H. Blair. Continued because not at issue as to S. H. Williams.

S. D. Musser vs. James F. Shoop and C. D. Keller, debt. Verdict for plaintiffs for \$1,171.

Judah Whitcomb vs. George W. Hoover and Henry W. Hoover, trading as Geo. W. Hoover & Co. Case continued by order of court.

Bradley Childs et al. vs. H. Merriman et al. Plead not guilty. Continued for cause.

John I. Thompson vs. Samuel Crist and James Bryerton, trespass. Plead not guilty. Continued for cause on application of plaintiff.

Samuel Hall vs. Jacob Mann, ejectment. Continued for cause on application and at cost of defendant.

Centre County vs. Huston township. Plaintiff suffered non suit.

Thomas Dehass for use of Samuel H. Kines vs. Taylor Walker, William B. Confer and David Confer. Confessed judgment in favor of plaintiff for \$145.

Mary Holt vs. B. and S. R. R. Company. Settled for \$8,000 to plaintiff.

W. F. Reynolds & Co. vs. William Weaver and Wilson Beck, debt. Settled and costs paid.

W. F. Reynolds vs. Henry Keller, debt. Settled and costs paid.

C. T. Alexander and C. M. Bower vs. Joseph R. Dehass, John P. Dehass and Geo. W. Eminheizer, ejectment. Continued on application by plaintiff for cause.

C. F. Herliacher and George Durst, trading as Herliacher and Durst, vs. Isaac Loe. Verdict for plaintiff in the sum of \$121.97.

B. Webber, endorsee, vs. Taylor Township School Board. Verdict for the defendants.

John Hoy vs. Jesse S. Williams, W. M. Holmes and William Holt's administrators. On trial.

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**BELLEFONTE LITERARY.**—The recently organized literary circle which gathers in the audience room of the Young Men's Christian Association on Saturday evenings, received a fresh impetus at its last meeting in the accession of several valuable members, and an excellent, varied and well-executed programme of exercises. Among the attractive features was a discussion on the question, "Resolved, That journalism offers a wider field of usefulness than theology." This was thoroughly discussed, although we cannot refrain entering a protest to the final decision in favor of theology. We will not pretend to say whether the fault was with the debaters or the judges, but how such a decision should be arrived at is incomprehensible to the thoughtful mind, which is in the least acquainted with the far-reaching influence of modern journalism. An effort that is by every one spoken of as extremely able was an oration by Ellis L. Orvis, Esq., on "The distinctive features of future American education." The gentleman contends that his speech was entirely extempore, which renders it the more remarkable. It is to be regretted that a convention from the college faculties of our country was not present to hear it. Mr. Hal. Orvison was elected chorister, and Professor Heebner, of the Academy, was elected organist. Together they will furnish excellent music. A name has not yet been selected for this important organization, although it is fast winning a name and station for itself which will be imperishable.

—A good child's suit at \$1.90, at Lyon & Co's.

—The following commercial travelers were registered at the Brokerhoff House on Saturday and Monday: I. R. Wainwright, S. S. White, George D. Pifer, Augustus Eberling, I. B. Kaufman, I. Katzenberg, J. L. Rutter and Charles J. Phillips, of Philadelphia; A. Pearson, of Williamsport; Tom L. Nicol, of Pittsburgh; A. H. Peacock, of Lancaster; C. W. Kanke, of Wooster, Ohio; A. L. Scott, Owego, N. Y.; I. H. Rubin and H. A. Davis, of New York City, and C. Stanton, of Pittsburgh.

—The largest stock of muslins, calicoes, flannels and dress goods, at Lyon & Co's.

The Philipsburg Journal says that Mr. Jonas Dinges paid a visit to his son George, at Philipsburg, Sunday, of last week, and reports him as fully recovered from his late severe and serious accident, of course minus his feet. However, George expects to proceed to Philadelphia shortly, and procure the aid of some skilled limb manufacturer, and get new feet. Under the circumstances, the young man has changed his views in regard to his life's work, and now thinks of adopting the telegraphing profession as an occupation.

—Mrs. Bradin and Mrs. Wesley Rank, of Philipsburg, recently met with severe accidents. On Monday last the former became giddy when at the head of the stairs and fell to the bottom, causing a fracture of the thigh bone. She was over sixty-seven years of age. Mrs. Rank, who is also over sixty years old, was in the yard on the Friday previous when she slipped and fell on her left arm, breaking the bones above the wrist joint. Both ladies are doing as well as can be expected.

—Rev. W. A. Biggart, who has been reported as killed, telegraphs to Mr. F. P. Green, of this place, that he was never in better health in his life. Mr. Webb has also received intelligence from friends in the West that Rev. Biggart preached a very eloquent sermon on Thanksgiving Day, so the numerous friends and admirers of that gentleman in this vicinity can safely conclude that he is still alive, and has the promise of many years of usefulness.

—Three thousand four hundred and fifty-one acres of land, lying on Marsh Creek, the property of John L. Curtin, Esq., were purchased last Saturday by Mr. John F. Fowler for \$62,000, one-half in cash. Mr. F. will soon commence the construction of a saw-mill on the property, and will have abundant material to work upon in the large amount of timber with which the land is covered.

—We know that the bare announcement that Homer D. Cope will read in this place on New Year's night is sufficient to draw an audience. So we mention it this week only to keep the fact in the minds of our people, that they will not make any conflicting engagements for that evening. Everyone who heard him on his last visit was pleased.

—Among the business places that have commanded the patronage of the people of Centre county we would mention the grocery store of Sechler & Co. They have transacted business on the same spot for many years, until they have built up a trade which is simply enormous.

—Mr. F. P. Blair has a new and handsome jewelry and clock case before his store door. Over the case is placed the statuary bust of a wise looking female figure, and now he can talk about that bust of plaster paris just above his jewelry store door.

—The Reading and Orchestra Association of Philipsburg gave a pleasant entertainment to the people of that place on Thursday evening week.

—Hon. Samuel Linn, Williamsport's distinguished attorney, has been attending our court this week.