

The Centre Democrat.

Thursday Morning, September 23, 1880.

Local Department.

—Go to Powers & Son for the best boots and shoes.

—Hats and caps of superior quality at the Philadelphia Branch.

—Make a good investment by purchasing a few of Harry Green's cigars.

—A large stock of clothing now displayed at the Philadelphia Branch.

—Hancock Club meeting on Saturday evening will be addressed by Hon. D. G. Bush.

—One of Harry Green's cigars will give as much satisfaction as two of the ordinary kind.

—Everybody should buy a new suit, and the Philadelphia Branch is the place to procure it.

—The residence of Mr. J. C. Weaver, on Penn street, is receiving extensive improvements.

—Inclose your neck in one of those superb ties on exhibition at the Philadelphia Branch.

—E. N. Waite, Esq., of Chicago, is visiting at the residence of our popular townsmen, Mr. John Ardell.

—Mr. William Laurie, of Philipsburg, returned on Monday to spend a brief vacation at his home in this place.

—What's the matter with butter? For the past week 25 cents per pound has been demanded for this necessary article.

—R. M. Magee, Esq., is entertaining his nephew, Prof. Thomas M. Magee, Superintendent of Public Schools of Clinton county.

—It is said the Murdoch Literary Society will be reorganized. It has been dead now for four or five years, and we thought its memory had faded also.

—Democrats who have caps and capes belonging to the Hancock and English Club of Bellefonte are requested to return them immediately to the Club room.

—We would find less men idle and more at work, if it was not for the general debility and emaciation caused by afflictions of the kidneys which can now be prevented by wearing Day's Kidney Pad.

—Mr. William Emerick, of the east end of Nittany Valley, had his left hand injured so seriously on Friday morning, the 10th instant, that amputation was necessary. His hand was caught in a threshing machine from which he was removing straw.

—Irvin Speer, a little son of Mr. William Speer, of Pleasant Gap, was injured by an angry cow on Friday last. He, with his playmates, approached too near a young calf on the premises of a neighbor, when the angry mother rushed at them, her sharp horns inflicting an ugly wound in Irvin's forehead.

—One of the principal attractions in this place is Sechler's grocery store. People are called upon to make daily errands after groceries, and they find that Sechler understands the art of administering to the demands of well regulated families in this respect better than any other persons who pretend to do so.

—A son of Mr. James F. Palmer, of Potter's Bank, had the terrible misfortune to lose his right arm while engaged near one of the picking machines in Allison's woolen mills, on Monday of last week. He held his arm in a position to encounter the current of air produced by the swiftly revolving picker, when it was caught and torn off above the elbow. The lad was attended by Dr. Weaver, under whose skillful care he is doing as well as can be expected.

—The most attractive spot in this county next Saturday will be McEwen's Grove, near Unionville. The war veterans from near and far will assemble at that point to take part in this annual celebration of the grand scenes through which they passed in the great struggle for national existence. Let all who can attend, go with their baskets filled with provision, and by making the affair a great success, return thanks to the men who have won for us this long period of peace.

—Unwelcome as the information may be, our death record would be incomplete without referring to the decease of Mr. Samuel Wilson, of Potter township, who expired on Saturday last at the advanced age of 90 years. Mr. Wilson was widely known, and many years ago was prominently identified with the history of this county. So long ago as the trial of James Monks for murder, Mr. Wilson's name appears among those of the twelve jurors who convicted that notorious criminal. Several of his sons and daughters who survive him are respected residents of this county, among whom may be mentioned Mrs. Joseph Crotzer, at whose residence, near Centre Hall, her father died, and Mrs. Hahn, who resides at Milesburg.

—A few days ago it was our pleasure to feast our eyes if not our stomachs by looking at a collection of potatoes which would rejoice the heart of any farmer. They were then in the possession of Capt. W. W. Potter, the kind and obliging station agent at this place, who called us in to see them. Eight of the largest were selected and tipped the scales at sixteen pounds—an average of two pounds a piece. One of them would be sufficient for a single meal in a family of ordinary appetites. These huge and lovely specimens of the esculent root are of the Irish Blood variety and were grown by Mr. John T. Fowler, on his Greenwood farm, in Bald Eagle Valley. They demonstrate what can be done by the farmers of that section if they try.

PERSONAL GOSSIP.—Mr. Spencer Ogden departs for Philadelphia to-morrow morning. Girls, prepare to say farewell.

—Rev. John Hewitt, rector of St. Johns P. E. church, this place, delivered an able sermon last Sunday evening on the sacredness of the Sabbath. The prevailing laxity shown in the observance of this holy day renders it a timely topic.

—Mr. W. R. Teller and family passed the lovely hours of last Saturday on top of Nittany mountain, their cultivated appreciation of the beautiful in nature adding greatly to the ordinary pleasure of such an occasion.

—Miss Emma Lingle, of Philipsburg, sister of Mr. Howard Lingle, one of the handsomest partners in the firm of Wm. P. Duncan & Co., is visiting the family of Mr. Win. Montgomery and other friends in this place.

—Dr. J. D. Geissinger is off on a trip to his home in Huntingdon to witness the nuptials between his sister, Miss Mary J. Geissinger, and Mr. A. Hefner, of Hurleysburg, which take place this afternoon.

—Mr. and Mrs. Benner Graham have returned, and are preparing to occupy the apartments over Reynolds' Bank as their future home.

—Mr. Bunnel and family, of this place, are sojourning for a short time among their friends in Meadville.

—Mrs. Wm. P. Wilson, of this place, is in attendance on the sessions of the Presbyterian Council in Philadelphia.

—At the recent sessions of the Convocation of Williamsport, held in Philipsburg, Rev. John Hewitt, rector of St. Johns parish, this place, delivered an interesting sermon on "The Spiritual Creation," at the opening service. He was also elected the Secretary and Treasurer of the organization, vice the Rev. Dr. Breck, of Wellsboro.

—Miss May Hillbush, daughter of Dr. T. J. Hillbush, of Rebersburg, is attending a musical college at Warren, Ohio.

—Street Commissioner Shaughnessy and his corps of assistants went to work on Water street last week. They never leave a street until it is in good condition.

—Miss Laura J. Fisher, of Snow Shoe Intersection, has been visiting Miss Mary Adams, of this place, during the past week.

—Major Brown, of Frederic City, Md., accompanied by his wife and son, made the residence of Mr. H. Sechler, on Linn street, their home while visiting in this place last week. They formerly resided in this county.

—When U. S. Grant, Jr., marries Miss Jennie Flood he will order his wedding suit at the Philadelphia Branch.

—The other day a Milesburg girl attempted to run away with the catcher of a base-ball club, when her father became a short stop. It would be well for all fathers to stop short just here and reflect whether or not their families are always pleased with the groceries they purchase, and hereafter to buy them at the store of S. A. Brew & Son, on Allegheny street.

—Mrs. Frank P. Blair, of Spring street, has been entertaining her sister, Miss Entwistle, of Phoenixville, during the past week.

—Miss Kate Schnell, formerly of this place, but now residing with her brother in Binghamton, N. Y., has been appointed to a responsible position in the office of the telephone exchange in that city. Miss S. is calculated to fill any position with grace and ability.

—In the absence of Miss Clara Lyon, Mrs. Frank P. Blair presided at the Episcopal church organ last Sunday, furnishing very acceptable music.

—On Monday, 13th inst., Mr. Michael Schenck, of Howard, celebrated the sixty-second anniversary of his birth by gathering his children and grandchildren about him, and spending the time in such appropriate festivities as the occasion should suggest. Fifty persons in all were present, including his brother Michael and family, and his eight children with their families. The occasion was rendered doubly delightful by the affectionate and familiar greetings of friend with friend, by appropriate gifts from the children to their honored sire, and by him to those gathered about him, and culminated by all gathering about a collation of those good things which a father's love for his children led him to provide, and which always taste so much better in the "old home" than in any other place on earth. After returning thanks to the Father of all for this happy reunion, the joyful company separated.

—We have before incidentally alluded to the fact that Mr. D. P. Peters, the proprietor of the Bush House, has established a restaurant in connection with his hotel, and on Tuesday we received a practical proof of its merits when a most tempting mid-day lunch of fried oysters and the accompanying side dishes found its way direct from that establishment to the table in our sanctum. This month is often called the saddest in the year, because now the leaves begin to fade and fall and are trampled like dead hopes beneath our feet; but, because it is the first that contains the magic "R," which gives the privilege of lifting the fat, luscious oyster from its liquid bed and sending it abroad to delight the universal palate, it also possesses some claims to be considered the brightest of months. Therefore, we are glad, and everybody should rejoice that Mr. Peters has been so thoughtful and enterprising as to open a restaurant to which the most fastidious lady or gentleman can resort for a treat of these delicate bivalves for a dozen other edibles equally tempting. He intends to conduct his establishment in first-class style, which past experience abundantly enables him to do. His efforts should meet with hearty encouragement.

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—The following resolution was then offered by William Wolf, Esq., of Potter, and was adopted unanimously:

—Resolved, That Hon. Cyrus T. Alexander, J. Harbison Holt and John H. Morrison, Esq., be and they are hereby appointed conferees to meet others from the counties composing the Congressional district to name a candidate for Congress.

—2d. The choosing of three persons as conferees to meet others from the several counties composing this Congressional district.

—3d. The naming of two candidates for members of Assembly.

—4th. The naming of a candidate for District Attorney.

—5th. The naming of a candidate for County Surveyor.

—6th. The naming of two persons to represent this County in the Democratic State Convention as delegates thereto, and also a Senatorial delegate.

—7th. The choosing of three persons as conferees to meet others from the several counties composing the Senatorial district, to choose a Senatorial delegate.

—8th. The selection of one person as Chairman of the County Committee for the year commencing 1st January next.

—9th. The consideration of the proposed amendments to the Rules governing the Democratic party in Centre county.

—The first thing in order was the nomination of a candidate for Congress. L. G. Lingle, Esq., of Philipsburg, moved the nomination of Hon. A. G. Curtin, of Bellefonte, by acclamation. The audience was addressed by Israel Test, Esq., of Clearfield, in his usual happy and eloquent manner of presenting Democratic truths to public attention. Mr. Test was peculiarly impressed on this occasion as he was charged by the Democratic ladies with the very pleasing duty of presenting to the Hancock and English club, then present in full dress uniform, a large and handsome flag, 15x27 feet. This duty he performed in a very felicitous manner. The beautiful and appropriate gift was received on the part of the club by Dr. G. F. Hoop in a neat and happy speech, which was received with much applause. After the presentation ceremonies were over the club paraded, two hundred strong, bearing torches and banners. Democratic fires burn brightly at Philipsburg.

—Next in order came nominations for

Assembly. Hons. J. P. Gephart and W.

A. Murray, the sitting members, and B.

F. Hunter, of Benner, and Chester Munson, of Philipsburg, were rapidly placed in nomination, and the convention pro-

ceeded to ballot. The chairman announced the result to be as follows:

Gephart.....47 votes

Murray.....48 "

Hunter.....29 "

Munson.....27 "

Gephart and Murray were then declared

the unanimous choice of the convention as

candidates for the lower branch of the

State Legislature.

—Pending the ballot, S. A. McQuistion, of

the West ward of Bellefonte, raised a

question as to whether he was instructed

by the vote at the primaries for Hon. J.

P. Gephart. The whole number of votes

cast in the West ward at the delegate election

on Saturday, the 18th inst., reached

27. Of these B. F. Hunter had 17 for in-

structions, J. P. Gephart 12, and W. A.

Murray 3. The chair ruled that the com-

bined votes of Murray and Gephart were

a majority of all cast, and that under rule

5 the delegate from the West ward was in-

structed to vote for Hunter and Gephart.

From this decision Mr. McQuistion ap-

pealed, but the chair was unanimously sus-

tained by the convention.

—Maj. R. H. Forster now moved the

nomination of W. C. Heinle for district

attorney, which was made by acclamation.

—Samuel Brugger, Unionville borough,

Ellis Lytle, of Half Moon township, and

H. B. Herring, of Gregg township, were

placed in nomination for county surveyor.

Samuel Brugger, receiving a majority of

all the votes on the first ballot, was

declared the nominee of the convention.

—A. T. Leathers, of Unionville, and M.

L. Rischel, of Gregg township, were next

selected as Representative delegates to the

Democratic State Convention of 1881.

—L. G. Lingle, Esq., of Philipsburg, re-

ceived the endorsement of the convention

for Senatorial delegate.

—Mr. William Hamilton offered the fol-

lowing resolution, which was adopted:

—Resolved, That F. P. Musser, of Mill-

heim, H. A. McKee, of Bellefonte, and

C. G. Herlinger, of Philipsburg, be and

they are hereby appointed conferees to

meet others from the counties composing

this Senatorial district to select a person

to be a Senatorial delegate in the Demo-

cratic State Convention to be held in 1881,

and that they be instructed to use all hon-

orable means to secure the naming of the

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