

# The Centre Democrat.

Thursday Morning, February 10, 1881.

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

## Democratic County Committee.

The following persons have been named as members of the Democratic County Committee for 1881.

Bellefonte, W. W.	Nicholas Redding.
Bellefonte, N. W.	Charles Schrader.
Muncyburg, S. W.	G. P. Kreamer.
Millheim	D. L. Zerbe.
Unionville	A. Toner Leathers.
Howard	George G. Carter.
Philipsburg	J. J. Graham.
Barker	Jerry Ross.
Boggs	James A. McClain.
Burrsdale	Oscar Holt.
Curtin	John M. Mackay.
College	W. H. Abbott.
Ferguson	John T. McCormick.
Ferguson, new	Miles Walker.
Gregg, south	Henry Krueger.
Gregg, north	John Noll.
Hallison	John V. Buck.
Harris	Solomon Ettlinger.
Howard	John A. Rapp.
Houston	John A. Dunkle.
Liberty	Henry Hale.
Muncy	W. H. G. Turner.
Miles	Perry Conde.
Patton	Samuel K. Faust.
Penn	John Reed.
Potter, north	Christ Alexander.
Potter, south	John Shannon.
Rush	James McClintock.
Show Shoe	Abel Campbell.
Spring	John Noll.
Taylor	William Elderwood.
Upton	John E. Erickson.
Walkers	Androse McMullen.
Worth	Marshall Lewis.

P. GRAY MEEK,  
Chairman.

## Local Department.

WANTED.—An experienced dry goods salesman at the Bee Hive. Good wages and steady employment.

### BAULAND & NEWMAN.

—Valentines pay cash for wheat at their stores.

—Buy a new suit at the Philadelphia Branch.

—Take your bacon, eggs, butter and lard to Valentines' stores.

—Music has charms; so have those neckties for sale at the Philadelphia Branch.

—Value is always received for the money expended when cigars are bought at Green's drug store.

—Go to Valentines' stores for mackerel. Sixty cents will buy a kit of mackerel, weight and quality guaranteed.

—Remember that the cigars sold at Green's drug store receive the unqualified endorsement of all experienced smokers.

—Whenever you come to town call at the Philadelphia Branch. They always have bargains to offer in boys' and men's clothing.

—Bellefonte will be the point for fish this year. Valentines have ordered about a car load of mackerel, which will be sold at low prices.

—Mr. Lewis S. Grimm has been appointed postmaster at Madisonburg and Mr. Budd Thompson to the same position at Martha Furnace, this county.

—Two padlock keys attached to a leather string were found on Monday morning near Mr. George Weaver's stable. The finder left them at this office, where they may be claimed by the owner.

—Extensive repairs are now being made on the African M. E. church, of this place. Next Sunday, the 13th instant, a series of revival meetings will begin, under the charge of Rev. J. M. Palmer, assisted by Rev. W. H. Brown, of Williamsport.

—At the regular monthly meeting of the Temperance Union of Bellefonte, last Thursday evening, it was determined to hold two meetings each month hereafter. The next meeting of the Union will be held on Thursday evening, the 17th instant.

—It is said the people of Paris are jealous of Sarah Bernhardt because she was received with so much enthusiasm in America. That may be true; but as long as the people of Centre county can purchase groceries at Sechler & Co.'s store they need not be jealous of anybody.

—About two weeks ago Rev. J. Benson Akers, the talented M. E. divine of Penn Hall, received a donation visit from twenty or thirty members of his congregation. They came bountifully laden with the good things of life, and the pastor's pantry will be supplied for some time to come.

—Owing to ill management, or something else, the Permanent Exhibition in Philadelphia has proved a failure. The permanent exhibition of everything that is new, novel and attractive in the grocery line, at Sechler & Co.'s store in this place, has proved a grand success. Everybody rushes to see them and usually carries some away as mementoes of the occasion.

—Messrs. Edward and Charles Brown, of this place, are sorrowing over the death of their brother William, which occurred at Houtzdale on Saturday. His remains were brought to this place on Monday, and on Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock the sad and imposing ceremony of High Mass was performed over the body at the Catholic church. We sympathize with his numerous relatives and friends in their affliction.

—The members of the Presbyterian church at Butler, Pa., of which Rev. W. T. Wylie is pastor, held a congregational meeting the beginning of this year and paid off a debt of \$8,000 with which the church was burdened. At the same meeting a resolution was passed determining never again to incur debt, as "it is dishonoring to God and damaging to all the interests of His church, both temporal and spiritual." Rev. Wylie was the former pastor of the Bellefonte church.

—Mrs. Harris, wife of the United States Consul at Venice, has been so ill that her life was despaired of, and she has nearly lost her eyesight. She was very prominent during the civil war, having been secretary of the Ladies' Aid Society of Philadelphia, the first aid society organized,

The above we clip from the *Philadelphia Record*. The Mrs. Harris referred to was a Miss Orbison, of Huntingdon county, this State, and a sister of the late Rev. Mr. Orbison, the respected husband of Mrs. Nannie Orbison, of this place, but who is now numbered with the sainted dead. She is the wife of the learned and accomplished Dr. John Harris, a native of this place, and who, although a very aged gentleman, is now serving the Government abroad as Consul at Venice. Mr. Harris was a prominent physician and is an uncle of our worthy townsman, Dr. George Harris. After Dr. Jno. Harris and Miss Orbison were married they resided in this place, where the former practiced his profession with great success. Their friends will look anxiously for a cablegram announcing Mrs. Harris' recovery.

—Mrs. Herman Saas, a sister of Mr. Sam'l K. Faust, of Miles twp., died at her home in Dubuque, Iowa, on Friday morning, January 14. The deceased, whose maiden name was Mary Faust, was born in this county on the 13th of January, 1838. She removed with her parents to Dubuque thirty years ago. Being a lady of strong constitution and robust physique, her death, which was the result of a severe cold settling into lung fever, was a great shock to her many friends. The deceased was much beloved for her devoted Christian character and womanly qualities.

—Her death was rendered more sad following as it did so closely upon that of her mother, which occurred on the 30th of November last and was duly recorded in the *DEMOCRAT*. We sympathize with our friend, Mr. Faust, in his two-fold bereavement.

—A thoughtful exchange remarks that if Washington had only waited until this winter he could have crossed the Delaware on solid ice, and saved his soldiers a heap of work! When we submit this memorable expedition of Washington's to a critical examination there are numerous objections that may be urged against it, not the least of which is that if he had only thought to postpone it until the present time he might have purchased such a superb collection of groceries of S. A. Brew & Son, of this place, that his soldiers would have regarded it more as a "grand lark" than the serious and hazardous adventure it really was. But, it is often noted that grocery stores equal to that of S. A. Brew & Son can be found.

—The World Renowned Jubilee Singers (colored), of this place, returned from their tour of the county last week highly elated at their unexpected success. At Pine Grove their receipts were \$32, and at Bonsburg the hall was so thronged that the people almost stood on each other's heads in their eagerness to hear every note. The result was a \$38 house. The people of Pennsylvania Furnace are very anxious to receive a visit from them, but we believe the company have determined to make their next trip in the direction of Rebersburg and Wolf's Store.

—Mr. Jonathan Harter, of Millheim, who was recently so generous as to donate \$1000 toward the erection of the new Lutheran church at that place, is a modest, unassuming gentleman, and is considerably perturbed about the extended circulation which his unusually generous action has received. Such deeds of generosity are so rare and at the same time so commendable that they form a pleasant subject for comment. Thus their influence becomes salutary, not only in the community where they are performed, but wherever they are known.

—The Clearfield *Republican*, of a recent issue, says that the members of the bar of that county have "held a meeting for the purpose of taking steps to look after the proper measure in bringing about the formation of a new judicial district, as contemplated by the constitution." As Clearfield county has, according to the census returns, the requisite number of inhabitants for a separate judicial district, we suppose it will not be long before she withdraws from the district now composed of the three "Cs"—Clearfield, Clinton and Centre.

—Mr. Teller, of the Brockerhoff House, says the rates of board at that popular place of entertainment will not be raised in the event of the car works going into operation next spring. The proprietor of the Bush House has made a similar assertion. As we have no doubt the proprietor of the Garman House will pursue the same sensible course, there will be no lack of royal accommodation at popular prices for the mighty throng who shall make this place the Mecca of their pilgrimages next summer.

—Pine Hall is now indulging in the pleasant diversion of a successful musical convention, conducted by Prof. A. J. Swartz, of Pleasant Gap. Miss Emma Swartz presides at the organ, and the Washington cornet band contributes to the musical programme with some of its best selections. The grand concert, which is always one of the chief features of such occasions, will take place next Saturday night.

—Boys' and men's underwear at the Philadelphia Branch.

PERSONAL.—Lieut. Layden, U. S. A., was in Bellefonte last Friday.

—Our friend, Mr. Hiram Hoffer, of Philipsburg, was visible in town last week.

—W. R. Teller, of the Brockerhoff House, who has been ill for some time, is able to be about again.

—Mrs. Wistar Morris, of Philadelphia, is at present visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Evan Blanchard, of this place.

—Miss Kate Devling, one of the attractive young ladies of this place, is at present sojourning at the home of her cousin, Miss Long, of Jacksonville.

—R. DeLong and Crittenden, of this place, are now in attendance on the sessions of the Lycoming County Sabbath-school Association, at Jersey Shore.

—Mr. Wilbur Harris has been handling letters through the delivery window of the post-office this week. As a consequence, the young ladies of his acquaintance have made frequent visits after their mail.

—Miss Wilbretta Hall, of Renovo, is now visiting friends in Unionville. Miss Hall is described as a highly fascinating young lady, and the most intense rivalry exists among the beauties of that place for a controlling interest in her affections.

—Prof. John Mason Duncan, of Montoursville, was in town on Saturday on business of a very engaging nature. He looks decidedly well, and his excellent reputation must have preceded him to Montoursville, for we are informed he has been elected to a responsible official position in the Presbyterian church of that place.

—Mr. Bayard Hicks and family removed from their former home in Williamsport to this place, a few days ago, intending to make Bellefonte their permanent abode. Mr. Bayard Hicks is a brother of Mr. Harry Hicks, the popular hardware merchant of this place. We welcome him and his family to our midst and hope they will find it a pleasant home.

—Mr. Frank Kinsloe, son of Mr. John Bannister Gibson Kinsloe, editor of the *Lock Haven Republican*, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony, last week, to Miss Ida V. Lambert, the young, beautiful and accomplished daughter of Mr. C. P. Lambert, of that city. Here to your health, Frank; may your life and that of your lovely bride be as bright as a long summer's day.

—Mr. Israel Sternberg, of this office, accompanied by his sister, Miss Celia Sternberg, will depart for Philadelphia to-morrow. It is their intention to remain there permanently, Israel engaging in some lucrative employment the nature of which he is not yet certain. As they have many relatives and friends in that city, their stay will no doubt be very pleasant and we hope also to hear that it is profitable.

DEATH OF THOMAS McGHEE.—We

learn from the *Lock Haven Daily Journal* that Ex-Sheriff Thomas McGhee, of Clinton county, died on Sunday morning last, at the Danville Insane Asylum, aged about 70 years.

Sheriff McGhee was, we believe, a native of Centre county, having passed the years of his early life in Miles township, from whence the family removed to Lamar township. He was at one time a prominent candidate for sheriff of the county. Lamar becoming a part of Clinton county, the *Lock Haven Journal* remarks that "In the early days of the county he served as Prothonotary and Sheriff. His last official position was that of Court Crier, which he filled up to the time of the failing of his mind several years ago.

Deceased was one of the best auctioneers in the State, and had a great reputation in that business.

In religious faith he was a Methodist, and one of the most active members of that denomination in this city.

Sheriff McGhee was a pleasant, genial and generous hearted man and had hosts of warm friends wherever he was known.

His remains were brought to Lock Haven for interment, the funeral taking place yesterday afternoon.

EARTHQUAKES.—We suppose that Mother Shipton's prophecy and the fact that certain planets are now in perihelia have nothing to do with it, but we are reliably informed the somewhat alarming news that one day last week—Wednesday, we believe—shocks of an earthquake were perceptibly felt at Aaronsburg, this county.

At about the same time, it is reported, earthquake shocks were noticed at Sunbury and Lewisburg, this State, and along the Hudson river.

The fact that these shocks were simultaneously reported at so many surrounding points seriously impresses us

with the belief that it was a genuine convulsion of Mother Earth, and to know that it extended so near as Aaronsburg is disagreeable in the extreme.

How soon will this snow mantled *terra firma* over which we now walk in such security open its capacious bosom and swallow us all in (the car works included)? Here's a problem for the wickeds to solve.

THE ELECTION NEXT TUESDAY.—The following is a list of the borough and ward offices to be filled by the persons who shall receive the most votes at the election next Tuesday:

Borough.—Burgess, Assistant Burgess; Assessor; Treasurer; Overseers of Poor; High Constable; Auditor.

North Ward.—Judge of Election; Inspector; Council, one person; School Director, one person; Registration Assessor.

South Ward.—Judge of Election; Inspector; Council, one person; 3 years; Council, one person, 2 years; School Director, one person; Registration Assessor.

West Ward.—Judge of Election; Inspector; Council, one person; School Director, one person; Registration Assessor.

FOR RENT.—Three desirable apartments, eligibly located. Possession given immediately. Inquire at this office.

## AN ACCUMULATION OF ATTRACTIONS.

—In the issue of the *DEMOCRAT* for January 20 we took occasion to announce that Gregg Post, G. A. R., would hold a fair on the 21st of February and the week following. The arrangements for that event have been steadily prosecuted and the number of attractions which it will include have so increased, that the entertainment promises to be much more extensive than was at first imagined.

—Prominent among the attractions will be the art gallery, which will occupy the principal room of the Post. Here will hang rare and valuable pictures, representing the scenes of "Auld Lang Syne." Here will also be found an extensive collection of other articles to remind us of the days of our great-grandparents. Another apartment will be devoted to salable articles, manufactured by the fair ladies of the town, and the booths where they are vendied will doubtless be presided over by the fairest of the fair. Everybody will have an opportunity to buy just what he or she has been craving for a long time. The choicest refreshments will be for sale constantly. Oysters will form a part of the bill-of-fare if it is possible to secure the delicious bivalves "for love or money."

Preparations have also been completed for a grand concert under the auspices of the Post, to be held in the Court House on

Tuesday evening, the 22d instant. The Jubilee Singers and all the other home

musical talent that can be procured will positively be present and assist in the melody of the evening. Thus it will be seen that the Post has arranged to give our citizens a full week of pleasant and instructive recreation, which is the best of medicine that can be prescribed, and will do much to prevent the languor and lassitude consequent upon the approach of the spring season. These fairs have proved successful wherever they have been tried and we hope that Bellefonte will be no exception to the rule.

—The proceeds of the fair will be used in defraying an indebtedness on the cemetery lot belonging to Gregg Post and to aid indigent members and their families. The DEATH OF AN AGED CITIZEN OF UNIONVILLE.—An event of more than ordinary importance occurred at Unionville on Tuesday morning of last week, in the death of Mr. Richard Catlow, an aged and highly esteemed resident of that place. It was our pleasure to meet the deceased while on a visit to Unionville some two years ago, and we were then agreeably impressed with the sprightly and youthful manners exhibited by one far advanced into the shady walks of life. We remember that he could then read without the aid of spectacles and derived much pleasure from the contemplation and discussion of the varied themes of interest in his neighborhood. We were, therefore, somewhat surprised at the announcement of his death. In reference to the deceased, the *Watchman*, of last week, gives the following additional information:

—Mr. Richard Catlow, a venerable and much respected citizen of Unionville, this county, died at his residence in that borough on Tuesday morning last, the 1st instant. His age was about 84 years. Mr. Catlow was an Englishman by birth and came to America something like sixty years ago. He has left a venerable wife and three children, all married. One son who lives in the west, is now in Unionville. His daughters are Mrs. Philip Teats, of Altoona, and Mrs. Harvey Hooper, of Union township. The funeral took place Thursday morning, and was largely attended. Mr. Catlow was an ardent Democrat politically, and a sincere Christian. He was a man of much intelligence and information, well booked up in both religious and profane history. He formerly lived in Huston township, where he had been a justice of the peace for many years. He has been a resident of Unionville for about fifteen years.

INAUGURAL NONSENSE.—We do not give our endorsement at all to the elaborate and absurd preparations which are making to install Mr. James A. Garfield into the Presidential chair. It would be much better if our official ceremonies were so arranged as to impress other nations with our simplicity of manner and refined taste rather than to ape the gaudy show and glitter of foreign courts. But, notwithstanding what we may say to the contrary, the extensive preparations for the 4th of March next will be carried into effect. An order has been issued to the 5th regiment, N. G. of Pa., which includes Company B, of this place, to attend on that occasion and "parade in full uniform of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, great coats, blanket-bags, haversacks and canteens, and carry three days' rations." The Quartermaster's Department will furnish the necessary transportation.

The order further recites that "on the morning of the parade the Division will be inspected by the Brigade Inspectors, under the supervision of the Division Inspector, and any officer or enlisted man not fully equipped in the uniform, as prescribed by General Order No. 5, C. S., 1860, Adjutant General's office, will not be permitted to parade." The order is countersigned by D. S. Keller, Asst. Adj't Gen.