

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

Local Department.

—Jacob G. Meyer, Esq., of Aarensburg, gave the DEMOCRAT a pleasant call on Tuesday.

—Harry Green's five cent Florida cigar is the finest to be found in Bellefonte, and don't you forget it.

—Mr. J. H. Crissman, at present of Phillipsburg, spent last Sunday with friends in Bellefonte. He is always welcome.

—Mr. Edward Humes, son of William Humes, at present in the employ of Hoover, Harris & Co., at Houtzdale, is at home on a visit.

—C. D. Keller, of Philadelphia, spent last Sunday in Bellefonte. Mr. Keller has many friends in Centre county who are always glad to see him.

—Whenever you feel like enjoying a good smoke go to Frank Green's drug store and ask for one of Harry's Florida five cent cigars. You will not be disappointed.

—Ex-Senator Peale's family, after a prolonged visit to this place, returned to their home in Lock Haven on Tuesday. Their many friends here will miss them.

—Do not forget Lewin, of the Philadelphia Branch! Give him a call, and be convinced that you can buy fine clothing at lower prices than at any other store in Bellefonte.

—Mr. John Ludwig, formerly of this place, but lately in the employ of J. M. Hale & Co., of Phillipsburg, has given up his position with that firm and gone to Saginaw, Michigan. Success attend him in his new home.

—Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Bush have returned to their beautiful home in Bellefonte to remain we presume for the summer. Their sons are still absent at school. Mr. Bush still maintains his energetic character and is constantly occupied with large business enterprises.

—Robert Henderson, of Marion township, lost a fine horse the other day while in Bellefonte. He had brought a moving to town and after feeding his team discovered that one of the horses was sick. It was immediately taken from the wagon and died soon after.

—No class of persons are more liable to be affected with "colds" and a disordered state of the liver than travelers, who are constantly changing bed and diet. For such, Green's Syrup of "Tar, Honey and Bloodroot" and No. 1 and 2 Liver Pills are indispensable.

—Mrs. David Klepper, of Coleville, after an illness of some days, died on Monday morning. Her funeral took place on Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock. She leaves a husband and seven children to mourn an irreparable loss.

—Capt. Harvey Benner, the post adjutant of Gregg Post, desires any one knowing of the burial of a soldier in either of the Bellefonte cemeteries within the last year to report the name of such soldier to him. It is the wish of the Post that every soldier's grave shall receive attention on Decoration Day.

—Mr. Alfred Nichols, the efficient manager of Valentines' stores, has left his post of duty for a short time to visit England, his native land. Mr. Nichols expects to be absent about a month, and he will carry with him the good wishes of all for a propitious journey, a pleasant meeting with his parents and a safe return to Bellefonte.

—The temperance meetings, addressed on Saturday and Sunday by Mrs. Whittenmyer were well attended, and every one who was present speaks in high terms of the lady's efforts in the cause in which she is so earnestly laboring. She is an interesting speaker and treats her subject in an entertaining and instructive manner.

—Mr. Jeremiah Furey, an old resident of Spring township, at present of Kansas, is visiting his many relatives and friends in this vicinity, and has received a hearty welcome from them. After leaving Centre county, Mr. Furey first settled in Illinois, and from that State went to Kansas. He is in very good health and looks as though life in the West agreed with him.

—Thomas Turner, Esq., of Chicago, Illinois, is on a visit to his aged and excellent mother in this place, and will be heartily hailed by his many friends and old acquaintances. Mr. Turner is a native of Bellefonte, but for the last twenty years has resided in the West where he has acquired wealth and become one of its substantial citizens.

—Housewives will be glad to learn that fruit jars will be sold cheaper this season than ever before, for the simple reason that a re-issue of the patent on the Mason jar has been refused by the patent office. They will also be glad to know that the same fine lines of groceries, at reasonable prices, for which Sechler & Co. are noted, will always be found in stock at their store in the Bush House block.

—Judge Mayer appeared upon our streets early on Monday morning. After a short session of court, he went to Snow Shoe with Messrs. Berwind and White, of the firm of Berwind, White & Co. to inspect the mining operations of that firm. Judge Mayer always receives a cordial greeting from his many friends in Bellefonte.

—Having completed their past season's lumbering operations so successfully, the energetic and enterprising firm of J. H. Holt & Son, of Snow Shoe, go promptly to work on their jobs for the present year. This week they will put twenty men into the woods, and will continue to cut and prepare timber for the market throughout the coming summer, fall and winter. May they be as successful in the future as they have been in the past.

—When a person goes to a store to purchase supplies for the family, it is always a pleasure to find fresh and pure groceries for sale. Where such are to be found you will always see a rash of business. This is the case at the store of Messrs. Brew & Son. They keep the best of everything in which they deal, and no one is ever deceived or disappointed in the goods bought at their establishment. Make a note of this fact.

—P. G. Commander, J. L. Hutchinson, of Philadelphia, who was formerly a resident and school-boy in this town, was canonized by the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Maryland, at Baltimore, on Friday night last. No permanent injury, we are happy to say, was inflicted upon our friend Jerry, and he will appear at the grand conclave at Scranton, on the 31st inst., armed with a superb gold-headed cane, in addition to his handsome templar outfit.

—It is the earnest desire of the officers of Company B, of the 5th Regiment, to make as fine a display on Decoration Day as possible, and in order to do this they hope to parade with full ranks. Captain Mullen's order appears in this issue of the DEMOCRAT, and the attention of all members of the company is directed to it. Turn out, boys, and give us a specimen of what you can do when you try. Let us have your aid in making the ceremonies on the occasion a complete success.

—We understand that Mr. Frank Dale, a son of Mr. William Dale, of Pleasant Gap, will be in Bellefonte about the 20th of June for the purpose of starting a normal music school, for the benefit of persons who desire to teach music and others who merely wish to study it. Mr. Dale is at present a student of "Dana's Musical Institute" at Warren, Ohio. He will be accompanied by Mr. H. C. Thayer, a graduate of that institution and a first class musician. Persons desiring to correspond with these gentlemen previous to the 20th of June can do so by addressing them at Warren, Ohio, Box 499.

—A description of a bogus silver dollar which has lately been put in circulation is going the rounds of the newspapers. It would be well enough, therefore, for persons who handle silver coin to be on their guard against it. The following is the description: "A dangerous counterfeit of the standard silver dollar has made its appearance. They have the ring of the genuine metal, the milling is perfect, and there is an absence of that greasy substance which is found by running the thumb over the general run of base coins. They are, however, too light, and a trifle thicker than the genuine."

—Mr. George Koch, of Centre Hall, will go to Huntingdon county next week to engage in the business of renovating feathers. He has followed the same work successfully for some time past in this county. His headquarters will be somewhere near Neff's Mills, and persons in that vicinity who have anything in his line will find him an obliging and trustworthy gentleman who will always guarantee to give them satisfaction in what he does. We hope he will succeed in building up a good business.

—John Uzzle, of Snow Shoe, is a happy man. While fishing a few days ago at the head of Eddy Lick Run he discovered a pair of fine bear cubs, and returning to the place the following morning was fortunate enough to capture both. He succeeded in bringing his lively pets home, and they are the source of much fun to all who see them. Artemus Ward was wont to say of his kangaroo, "he is an amosin' little cuss" and John can no doubt truthfully use the same phrase in the plural in reference to the cubs.

—A few days ago, in company with Mr. Harry Hale and Mr. Harry Valentine, we had the extreme pleasure of partaking of an elegant shad dinner at the pleasant home of Capt. Amos Mullen at the forge. The fish set before the guests was one of a splendid pair sent from Columbia, fresh from the Susquehanna, by Capt. Mullen's brother. They were shipped by express at ten o'clock in the morning and were received here at half past eight in the evening. To say that the dinner was greatly enjoyed is to give but feeble expression to the sentiments of the invited trio present on the occasion. The kind hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Mullen will long be remembered and appreciated.

—Mr. Simon Lyon, whose serious illness at Phillipsburg, was mentioned in the DEMOCRAT, last week, we are grieved to announce, died on Sunday. He died of dropsy. His body was brought to Bellefonte on Monday for interment. In religion, Mr. Lyon was of Jewish birth and belief, and at three o'clock on Monday afternoon his remains were consigned to their last resting place in the Jewish cemetery at this place, with the rites of his faith. He had lived a long time in Bellefonte, and was well known to our people, having been for many years engaged in the butchering business. He was of a kind and obliging disposition and had a great many friends who will sincerely regret his early death. His age was about forty-eight. May he rest in peace.

DEATH OF A VENERABLE LADY.—On Wednesday morning, the 11th instant, Mrs. Elizabeth Magee died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. John Harper, near Centre Hall. Mrs. Magee was the daughter of William and Sarah Boughner, and was born in Bergen county, New Jersey, on the 4th day of December, A. D., 1793, making her age at the time of her death 87 years, 5 months and 7 days. While the subject of this notice was yet at an early age her parents removed with her from their home in New Jersey to Union county, Pa. When about twenty-four years of age she was united in marriage to James Magee, a native of Newry, Ireland. Seven children were born of this union, three sons and four daughters, as follows: David, Sarah, Jane, William B., Agnes, Elizabeth and Reuben M. Of these seven children, three survive their parents, viz: Sarah, wife of George Beirly, Jane, wife of John Harper, and our own townsman, Reuben M. Magee.

In the year 1834, James and Elizabeth Magee removed to Miles township, Centre county, where the family lived many years and was highly respected. James Magee died in the year 1851, at Rebersburg. Mrs. Magee, after the death of her husband, continued her residence at Rebersburg until the year 1872. At this period of her life, owing to her age, she was obliged to quit keeping house, and since then had made her home alternately with her son, R. M. Magee, and her daughter, Mrs. Jane Harper, ending her days at the home of the latter as already stated. The family of her son at this place, had just completed their arrangements preparatory to her usual visit to them, but the infirmities of her more than four score years began to weigh heavily upon her feeble frame and death intervened before their anticipation was realized.

The disease of which she died may be called "old age," or a general giving away of the vital powers, together with dropsy, with which she had been afflicted for several years. She had been declining in health and strength during the last year or two—especially through the past winter. She became worse on easter Sunday, April 17th, and continued to fail until her death. Mrs. Magee was an earnest, sincere christian woman, having in early life united herself to the Presbyterian church. While living in Union county, she and her husband were members of the Buffalo X Roads Presbyterian church, then under the charge of the Rev. Thomas Hood. They were members of that congregation until their removal to Centre county. There was no Presbyterian church in Miles township and she afterwards deposited her certificate of church membership with the Reformed congregation at Rebersburg and remained connected therewith until the day of her death. Throughout her long life she ever maintained an unflinching trust in the truths of the Christian religion, always deserving and receiving the respect and esteem of all who knew her. Her last spoken words were invocations of praise to God, and when death at last claimed his own, calmly and peacefully she went to her reward in Heaven.

—By the subjoined correspondence between a committee of Gregg Post, G. A. R., and Rev. John Hewitt, it will be observed that Mr. Hewitt has consented to preach a sermon to the members of the Post, in the Episcopal church, on Sunday morning, May 29. The occasion will undoubtedly be one of great interest. The following is the correspondence:

BELLEFONTE, PA., May 7, 1881. REV. JOHN HEWITT, Rector of St. John's P. E. Church, Bellefonte, Pa. DEAR SIR:—The undersigned, a committee appointed by "Gregg Post, No. 95, G. A. R.," to select a minister of the gospel in Bellefonte, to preach a sermon to the "Post" on Sunday morning, May 29, 1881, have unanimously agreed upon you, and we therefore respectfully ask you to preach to us on that day. If you accept, and seats can be provided for the Post in your church, at the regular morning service, we will march there in a body. Respectfully yours, AUSTIN CURTIN, WILLIAM JONES, Com. D. M. GLENN, Jt.

BELLEFONTE, PA., May 7, 1881. TO MESSRS. AUSTIN CURTIN, WILLIAM JONES, AND D. M. GLENN, Committee. GENTLEMEN:—I have just received your communication requesting me to preach before Gregg Post, No. 95, G. A. R., on Sunday, May 29, and to make provision for seating them in my church, "at the regular morning service" on that day. I cheerfully comply with your request, and will gladly welcome the "Post" to church at the time named, and will do all I can to make the occasion one of religious comfort and edification. Respectfully yours, JOHN HEWITT, Rector of St. John's P. E. Church.

A NEW LUMBER OPERATION.—Our enterprising townsman, Chester Munson, Esq., has recently purchased the timber on sixteen hundred acres of land belonging to J. N. Casanova, Esq., where he proposes erecting a large water-power saw mill. It is estimated that the tract will cut about twenty millions feet of pine, hemlock and oak lumber. As Mr. Munson is one of the oldest lumbermen in this locality, he will bring to this operation considerable experience and no doubt make it successful. The growing scarcity of timber on or near railway transportation lines, will make this a desirable business operation for the next five or seven years. This timber tract lies distant from Phillipsburg between five and six miles and will require a tramroad of two and one-half miles to connect with the Morrisdale branch railroad. He will proceed at once in the erection of the mill. —Phillipsburg Journal.

THE LATE JUDGE THOMAS BURNSIDE.—The Williamsport Daily Banner is publishing a series of biographical sketches of prominent citizens in the West Branch Valley at an early day. No. XI, of the series, which appeared in that journal of the 12th instant, is an interesting outline of the life and character of the eminent jurist, Thomas Burnside, so long a distinguished and honored citizen of Centre county. It reads as follows:

Thomas Burnside was born near Newtown Sietrat, county Tyrone, Ireland, July 25, 1782. He came to Pennsylvania with his father's family in 1792. In November, 1800, he commenced the study of law with the Hon. Robert Porter, a successful practitioner of the city of Philadelphia; in 1804 he was admitted to the bar, and in March of that year removed to Bellefonte. December 10, 1807, he was united in marriage with Mary Fleming, daughter of William Fleming, of the Bald Eagle Valley; the marriage ceremony was performed by the Rev. Henry Wilson, of the Presbyterian church of Bellefonte, which took place at the latter village. In 1811 he was elected to the Senate of Pennsylvania, and to Congress in 1815. In the summer of 1815 he was appointed by Governor Snyder to preside over the courts of Luzerne, which position he resigned in 1818, and returned to the bar in Centre county. In 1821 he was again elected to the Senate, of which body he was made Speaker. In 1826, before his Senatorial term had expired, he was appointed President Judge by Governor Shultz, of the Fourth Judicial district, including Centre county, which he held until 1841; he was then appointed President Judge of the Seventh district, (Bucks and Montgomery counties,) and on the first of January, 1845, he was appointed one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, an office which he filled with distinguished honor to the time of his death, at the residence of his son-in-law, William E. Morris, Civil Engineer at Germantown, on the 25th of March, 1851, aged 68 years, 7 months and 37 days. His children by his second wife, Ellen Winters, Ellen, the wife of Wm. Grafius, both of whom are dead. They had several children, all of whom are deceased except one daughter, Ellen, who resides in Iowa, and is the wife of Mr. Hudson. William still living, Lucy alive and unmarried, Thomas, who resides in Bellefonte, Francis, who married D. C. Boal, Esq., her husband died, leaving her the care of two children, George and Nellie. Charles Huston Burnside died in 1869, unmarried, and Sarah Winters Burnside died young. The Judge had an extensive practice in Centre, Lycoming and adjoining counties, popular in manners and commanded great influence as a Democratic politician. He was also an active member of several State and other conventions and an early advocate of State improvements authorized by the Legislature of the State of Pennsylvania, and through his influence the canal extension on the Bald Eagle was in a great measure accomplished. He had a strong sympathetic feeling for his early friends of Centre county, where he was esteemed and honored for his many tokens of generosity to the church and general benevolence to the poor. He was a successful advocate of the school system, adopted during the administration of ex-Governor Wolf, which was successfully legislated to a favorable conclusion by the late Hon. Thad. Stevens a leading advocate thereof. This system has been brought to a perfection, and is now the pride of Pennsylvania, and highly noticed by our neighboring State governments. The Judge had a large head, of easy manners, cheerful and courteous, and homely in person. It was generally observed that Burnside, Dr. Burton of Philadelphia and George Kramer of public notoriety were the most homely public men in Pennsylvania. Whilst Burnside presided in the Court, he excelled in dispatching business; after hearing the evidence and the case clear he would not hear the attorneys and charge the jury. Many cases in the quarter sessions were disposed of in a short period which often ruffled the young attorneys in being disappointed to deliver their prepared speeches. James Burnside, his son, was a gentleman of medium stature, and a graduate of Dickinson College in the class with Dr. Samuel Pollock of Williamsport, Pa.; polite and agreeable in manners, social and entertaining in conversation, attractive as a speaker, popular as a neighbor, and commanded no little influence as a politician, so much so that he was elected to the House of Representatives from the Centre district, and subsequently called to preside over the courts of Centre, Clinton and Clearfield counties. He died after being highly honored by a grateful public, leaving a wife, Rachael, a daughter of Gen. Simon Cameron, who was equally popular with her relations and numerous acquaintances. He died in consequence of being thrown from a carriage, by a runaway team in 1859, at Bellefonte. His wife subsequently died at Harrisburg leaving three children, Cameron, Thomas and Mary. After penning the preceding the biographer presents the observation of the venerable Father of the Bellefonte bar James Macmanus, Esq. "As a lawyer, Thomas Burnside was eminently great. His great strength of mind, common sense and quickness of decision enabled him to grasp the main points of a case. With a vigorous step and stately march, he would clear away the rubbish of technicality and special pleading, caring only for the justice of the cause before him. The judicial ermine was as unspotted when he laid it aside for the habiliments of the grave, as it was when he first put it on. His private life was pure as his public career was noble."

—On last Tuesday, McClellan, a son of Mr. John Rishel, of Stone Mill, while in the woods chopping, had the misfortune to cut his left foot. The axe struck him immediately below the instep, nearly severing the member. One of his brothers was with him at the time, but the boy nearly bled to death before assistance could be obtained. Dr. Alexander, who was called, has reported that the foot can be healed again. —Reporter.

"WOMEN NEVER THINK."—If the crabbed old bachelor who uttered this sentiment, could but witness the intense thought, deep study and thorough investigation of women in determining the best medicines to keep their families well, and would note their sagacity and wisdom in selecting Hop Bitters as the best, and demonstrating it by keeping their families in perpetual health, at a mere nominal expense, he would be forced to acknowledge that such sentiments are baseless and false. —Pocoyne.

PLEASANT GAP JOTTINGS.—Our village, owing to the absence of a number of our most prominent citizens, is at present rather lonesome. The Messrs. Noll and Waltz are now sojourning at Crescon Springs inhaling the bracing mountain air of that locality or else giving their valuable aid in the work of completing the new hotel under process of erection. Mr. John F. Harrison, Jr., left for Philadelphia in company with Thomas Harrison a few days ago where both have secured positions. Every one hopes they may have a pleasant time.

—Our candidates; the one on Lamb street, for Sheriff—the other on near Pious corner, for Associate Judge, are doing some tall electioneering. They are on the lookout all the while for new subjects upon whom to use their persuasive powers in pressing their claims. Both are willing to serve the dear people and both, it can with truth be said, are well qualified for the positions which they are seeking. If they are successful in securing the nominations they will carry the old Democratic banner safely through the fray.

—Rush has secured the stage route from Bellefonte to Milroy. We expect to see good teams and fine coaches on the road ere long and passengers will be rushed through in good style.

—Gottlieb has fully recovered from the effects of Mr. Haas' silver wedding. Had a good time of it he says.

—Jos. Ross thinks it is too bad to lose part of his farm when his wheat crop failed last year. Be careful you don't make such foolish blunders after this when you make deeds.

—The tomb stone agent on Lamb street, says his business is on the increase since there are so many insurance agents in the country. Our advice is, John, not to be too sociable with those fellows for "evil communications corrupt good manners."

—The fever has left us and our little town is once more in a healthy condition. Pope may never have another such a scourge. SHIN BONE.

WAYNE CAMP MEETING.—At a meeting of the Directors of the Wayne Camp Meeting association, held at their office in Lock Haven, on Thursday, May 5, 1881, it was determined to open the grounds on the first of July and to commence Camp-Meeting on Tuesday, August 9, to continue ten days. Tent rentals were fixed at from three to seven dollars, and the tent admission fee was abandoned. The Secretary was instructed to advertise for proposals to rent Boarding Houses, Restaurant and Commissary. The following resolutions were adopted on the Sunday question:

Resolved, That the gates be closed on Sunday, and admission granted only to tent holders, their families, or such persons as shall secure tickets from the Secretary previous to the Sabbath.

Resolved, That the gates be opened on Sunday from 8 to 10 A. M., and from 5 to 7 P. M., and at close of services, at 10 o'clock, P. M. No ingress or egress will be allowed at any other hour, except by special permit from the Board of Control.

Resolved, That the party or parties to whom is assigned the Boarding Houses, Restaurant and Commissary be required to obligate themselves neither to sell or traffic in cigars, tobacco, soda water, ice cream, lemonade, or other articles of life, such as coffee, tea, cold meats, sandwiches, bread, butter, cakes and pies, and that the Commissary be closed on Sunday.

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Announcements.

SHERIFF. We are authorized to announce that THOMAS J. DUNKLE, of Rush township, will be a candidate for Sheriff, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

TRASURER. We are authorized to announce that JOHN OLDBEN, of Gregg township, will be a candidate for Sheriff, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

COMMISSIONER. We are authorized to announce that JOHN HOY, Jr., of Marion township, will be a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

ECLIPSE FOR 1881.—During the year 1881 there will be four eclipses, two of the sun and two of the moon, and also a transit of Mercury across the sun's disc, as follows: A partial eclipse of the sun on May 27. This eclipse will be visible to the northern part of North America, and to Northern Asia. A total eclipse of the moon on June 11 and 12. This eclipse will be visible to North and South America, and to portions of Africa and Australia. An annular eclipse of the sun on November 21. Visible to Patagonia, South America and to the Antarctic Ocean. A partial eclipse of the moon on December 5. Visible more or less to Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia and the northwestern portion of North America. A transit of Mercury over the sun's disc, on November 7. In visible to the Eastern States; partially visible to the other States.

ARMORY CO. B., 5TH REG'T. N. G. P.) BELLEFONTE, May 19, 1881. GENERAL ORDER No. 2. All members of Co. B. (Bellefonte Fenibles) are ordered to report at their Armory on Monday May 30, at 3 o'clock P. M. sharp, to participate in the ceremonies incident to the decoration of soldier's graves. By order of CAPT. AMOS MULLEN, BARRETT, Clerk.

—Bavarian and Bohemian beers surpass any malt liquors ever before offered to the public. These sparkling drinks can be had on draft at Brown Bros., Butts House.

—Every person who comes to Bellefonte is cordially invited to call at the Philadelphia Branch to examine the elegant stock of clothing now being sold at that house at such remarkably low figures.

—Brown Bros. are making a specialty of new whiskies never before offered in Bellefonte, such as "Golden Rule of the People," "Hannsville" and "Dougherty."

LOGAN CEMENT.—The retail price for LOGAN CEMENT on and after this date (May 9, 1881), will be two dollars per barrel and no charge for bags or barrels. H. K. HICKS.

—Spring woollens now ready. Early orders solicited. Money saved. 19-11 MONTGOMERY & Co., Tailors.

Philadelphia Markets.

PHILADELPHIA, May 17, 1881. Flour.—The demand continues limited, but prices were steady. Sales of 2,000 barrels, including Minnesota extra, at \$5.25; for medium to choice clear, and at \$5.25 for straight Pennsylvania extra family at \$5.25; Western do. at \$5.10, and patents at \$5.00; Rye flour steady at \$2.50 per barrel. GRAIN.—Wheat was in better demand and prices were a fraction higher. Sales of 12,000 bushels No. 2 red, car lots, at \$1.20; No. 2 red, in elevator, at \$1.20; No. 2 white, at \$1.20; No. 2 white, at \$1.20; No. 2