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Local Department.

The DEMOCRAT will not be issued next week. Buy your blankets at Loeb's. Holiday Goods at Zeller's Drug Store. Strictly one price, honest dealing, no overcharging, at Lyon & Co.'s. Go to S. & A. Loeb for bargains in anything. A green Christmas makes a fat graveyard. Immense bargains in gent's underwear, gloves, hats, &c., at the Bee Hive. All goods marked in plain figures and strictly one price for all at Lyon & Co.'s. Holiday Goods just opened, and now on exhibition and sale at Zeller's Drug Store. The largest stock of dress goods ever brought to Centre county is now opened at Loeb's. Laces, fringes, gimps, buttons, &c., in all the latest designs and at unrivaled prices, at the Bee Hive. Prevent a cold by wearing thick underclothing, which can be obtained at the Philadelphia Branch. Loeb's is the place to buy dry goods. Large assortment, low prices and good goods at all times. You are invited to call and examine the fine Holiday Goods at Zeller's Drug Store. The new advertisement of the Bee Hive one-price stores in this week's paper will repay a careful perusal. Dress goods, silks, velvets, plushes and tinsel plaids and stripes in all shades and effects at the Bee Hive. It is not necessary to dicker and bargain two hours when you wish to buy anything of us. We ask just what the goods are worth and no more. Lyon & Co. We don't ask you \$10 for an article when it is worth only \$5, but we give you our lowest price at once. Lyon & Co. Ladies coats, jackets, dolmans, circulars and ulsterettes, in endless variety, styles and colors, and prices lower than elsewhere at S. & A. Loeb's. Ladies', misses' and children's dolmans and coats in endless variety and very cheap at the Bee Hive. Boots, shoes, the heaviest driving boots, the finest boots; the cheapest shoes, from \$1 a pair; the finest warranted shoes, from \$3 to \$5 a pair, at Lyon & Co.'s. When you buy anything of us you need not be afraid that you are paying more than your neighbor. We treat all alike. Lowest price for all, Lyon & Co. The very best production that can be had from first class stock and excellent workmanship in boots and shoes, at prices no higher than common eastern trash, are now open and for sale by S. & A. Loeb. The largest stock of dress goods, cashmeres, flannels and dress flannels in all the latest styles and shades, and marked down to the very lowest price, at Lyon & Co.'s. Call and examine the stock of ranges and cook stoves at Wilson, McFarlane & Co.'s; also their line of single and double heaters. They have for sale the Welcome Home double heater, which has been thoroughly and satisfactorily tested in this community. We take all kinds of country produce—butter, eggs, lard, meats, potatoes, &c.—and give you our goods at the lowest cash prices, asking you only the lowest cent from the start. We don't ask you \$3 more on a suit or a dress so as to come down \$1 at Lyon & Co.'s. You will shortly be compelled to buy your winter clothing. Before deciding on what you will buy see what the celebrated Rochester manufacturers, Messrs. Stein, Adler & Co., have turned out this season. equal in fit, workmanship and trimmings to any custom made goods. Prices very reasonable. To be had only at S. & A. Loeb's who by their square dealing have did much to build up the large demand of this very superior grade of clothing. We don't bait you on one thing—give you one article less than cost and charge you double for the next. You can buy with confidence of us. All goods marked in plain figures. Lyon & Co. That perfect baking and cooking stove, the "Pioneer," is for sale only by Wilson, McFarlane & Co. All superfluous ornamentation has been dispensed with to secure a first-class kitchen stove. For weight, strength and durability it cannot be surpassed. In purchasing this stove you are not paying for nickle trimmings and beautiful finish, but you are getting what is far better and what you need in a good cook stove—a good, reliable baker and cook. The largest stores, that do the largest business in the city, and that have the confidence of everybody; mark their goods in plain figures and ask only the lowest price from the start, and that is just the way we do. Lyon & Co. Altona promises the luxury of a Bachelor Club. They propose to hold a grand reception at the Logan House this evening, and expect representatives from Bellefonte. Col. McFarlane, Jack Spangler, Constance Curtin, and other poor fellows who could not afford to burthen themselves with families, ought not to fall their ancient brethren in Altona.

The person who lost a purse containing a small sum of money can obtain it by calling upon Mr. Burchfield at the Register's Office, and identifying it. Pleasant Gap will soon be favored with a new industry—Haag's flouring mill. Mr. H. confidently asserts that nothing but a good mill and then good work will satisfy him. Squire; "Now, boys, what is the gender of egg?" Sharp boy (whose mother keeps chickens): "Please, sir, you can't tell till it's hatched." If the question had been, "what is the most certain, sure and safe cure for Liver Complaint?" the correct answer would have been "Green's No. 1 and 2 Liver Pills." The employees at the glass works are never too busy to answer any proper questions put to them by visitors. Most of our young lady friends are the happy possessors of beautiful ladies, bric-a-brac, &c., made during their visits to the works and presented, with much of the chivalrous deference of olden times, by the workmen. The protracted meeting in the Methodist church is meeting with no little encouragement, and already quite a number have availed themselves of the opportunity to ask forgiveness of sins, and to show to the world, by their connecting themselves with the church militant, their desire to array themselves on the side of the Lord and with him to fight the good fight of faith. We are indebted to the publisher for a copy of Vick's Floral Guide, and commend it to our friends. It is a perfect gem of beauty, containing 100 pages and about 1000 illustrations, conveying all the information they may desire in the selection of flowers and vegetable garden seeds. It is published by James Vick, Rochester, N. Y., and will be forwarded to any address for the small sum of 10 cents. The Teachers Journal, the sheet devoted to the interests of Centre county schools, will be published at this office during the sittings of the Teachers' convention. It will be in charge of Messrs. D. M. Leib and J. R. Van Ormer, and we bespeak for it a hearty welcome from all friends of education. The gentlemen who will have the affair in charge are by no means novices in the business and will make it a success, provided they are tendered the earnest support of all interested. It will be furnished gratis to teachers and directors. On last Thursday evening quite a scene was enacted at the depot, in which one of our ore operators and a gentleman from Tyrone were the leading characters. The issue was the amicable arrangement of differences occasioned by the g. f. T. promising more money for a days work and thus enticing from the o. o. most of his hands. Workingmen no longer need importune employers for work and can now go into market and offer for sale so much muscle for so much money. We herald this approach of general goodtimes for those who must earn their living by the sweat of their brows, and sincerely hope nothing may transpire to effect this happy state of affairs to the disadvantage of either employer or employed. The holding of county institutes in the past has been attended by no little trouble on the part of the Superintendent, on account of the unreasonable refusal of many school boards to allow teachers to attend and be paid for the time they actually were present. By law teachers are commanded to attend, and any contract they may have entered into with boards employing them, is rendered null and void so far as the clause relative to the teachers agreeing not to insist upon being paid for attending the convention is concerned. They had best profit by the misfortunes of others and not lose sight of the fining of some Montgomery county pedagogues, who imagined themselves to have been initiated into all the degrees to be conferred, and hence in no need of any further assistance in the prosecution of their work. None are too old to learn, and very few are so well skilled in the routine of school room work as to find it impossible to pick up something that will render them better teachers. The purchasing of presents for those we love will be a matter of no small import at this time, and just what to get that will not only please but be of service in some way or other, is a question sorely puzzling most of civilized mankind as the Christmas festivities are nearing us. Should the person to be favored be at all literally inclined, nothing would be more acceptable than one or more volumes of the works of standard poets, and in making a selection some care should be exercised so as to suit as nearly as possible the taste of the recipient. Jewelry by many is considered quite the thing, but as it is rather expensive many must invest in something requiring less outlay of money. But of all gifts most to be appreciated, and this is not intended either as a hint, perhaps none can be more so than some delicate bit of fine needle work, or anything else contrived by the skill of the giver, and even though it may possess no intrinsic value to speak of, the love of the giver will render it of priceless value and it will be zealously prized and guarded long after the more costly bauble has been forgotten. Not the gift but the love of the giver is what we most highly esteem.

PLEASANT GAP JOTTINGS.—An effort was made last Thursday evening to organize a singing class for Prof. Philip Meyer, but owing to one already organized by Profs. Dale and Swartz in the Lutheran church, it was not attended by a great degree of success, but will be retried again this week and we think with a better show. There is talent enough at the Gap to run two good singing classes. Be it known hereby that I utterly disown my child, Shinnone, Jr., of the Watchman. He is none of mine, being we think of mushroom growth, and will only flourish for a short time. He will do no harm, but I positively will settle no bills of his contracting. The latest novelty at this place is a magic comb which colors hair or whiskers. Our postmaster and sewing machine agent are living advertisements. Their beards are now red but they are in hopes that exposure to the air will have the desired effect, and that they will in course of time turn black. There is a general wish to see the new Christmas goods that Bill has just put upon exhibition. Any one wishing to make his friend glad by making them a fine present, can certainly suit himself there, for he has an unusually fine stock and takes great pleasure in showing them to his customers. We do not know the reason, but the insurance man is drawing in his property line, having moved in both his fences closer to his house. Probably stock is at a discount. Another reason why we think stock is below par is, we heard the Black Pest tell him that his (the insurance agent's) professional horse wanted to go up to see Horner's hounds, implying that the horse was on his last legs. The foreign mechanics and home talent have at last completed the residence of John Furey, and the family are now in the house having moved into it last Thursday. It took a long time but at last they are in it. SHINNONE. SPRING MILLS ITEMS.—Spring Mills boasts of two saw mills, Messrs. McCool and Whitmer's, operated on the Huston tract of timber land, which they bought some time ago, and Mr. Dale's, on the Duncan tract. Mr. William Rarick has purchased Henry Krumrine's dwelling, coal shed and grain house, the consideration being \$4,000. Quite a number of building lots have been sold lately. Billy Bartholamew has sold his old house to Daniel Luce, Sr. Mr. Luce has sold his pleasant home at Farmer's Mills to Mr. Weaver. Mr. Weaver is a widower who captured a bear (Bair) in the Loop, a few days ago. Mrs. Bair is the widow of Constable Bair, who was shot while performing his official duties some fifteen years ago. The Methodists and Lutherans contemplate holding a festival some time during this winter. Edward Grenoble, son of Mr. Grenoble of Penn Hall, died on last Friday morning. He had some disease in the knee, the pain of which went to his heart causing instant death. He leaves a wife and a child. Spigelmeyer, alias Whitmer & Co., still draw large crowds of customers by their low prices. More anon. HOME FROM EUROPE.—The many friends of B. Lauth, Esq., of the Howard Iron Works, and his daughter, Miss Cinnie, will be glad to learn of their safe arrival home, last week, from their extended European trip. Their homeward voyage, on the Red Star steamer, Wessland, was a terribly rough one. Violent hurricanes were encountered during the entire distance. While in mid-ocean the propeller shaft parted at the coupling, leaving the vessel at the mercy of the head winds which prevailed, and causing her to drift many miles seaward before the damage could be repaired. In this great emergency the mechanical skill and ingenuity of Mr. Lauth were called into requisition by the officers of the vessel, and contributed largely toward enabling her to continue her homeward voyage, instead of putting back, as it was at one time feared she would be compelled to do. Mr. Lauth still suffers some inconvenience from bruises received by being tossed about by the terrible lurches made by the ship in her battle with the fierce waves. With this exception neither Mr. nor Miss Lauth suffered serious inconvenience from their rough voyage by old Neptune, though both express themselves exceedingly glad to be on land and at home again. WEEK OF PRAYER.—According to a custom of several years past the first week of January, 1892, will be observed by most of the Protestant churches as a season of prayer. The following themes for the different services of the week have been promulgated by the World's Evangelical Alliance: Sunday, January 1.—Subject for discourse, Renewed Consecration. Monday, January 2.—Thanksgiving for the blessings, temporal and spiritual, for the past year, and prayer for their continuance. Tuesday, January 3.—Humiliation and confession on account of individual, social and national sins. Wednesday, January 4.—Prayer for the blessings of God on His church and His world. Thursday, January 5.—Prayer for the young and all agencies for Christian training. Friday, January 6.—Prayer for the universal prevalence of peace and righteousness. Saturday, January 7.—Prayer for Christian missions, the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the conversion of the world.

TO THE SUNNY SOUTH.—Many of the people of this region are desirous of going to a warmer climate during the cold season, and invalids especially yearn for the mild winters of the Sunny South. To accommodate those who wish to go South during the winter either on health, recreation, pleasure or business, the Pennsylvania railroad company with its usual generosity has placed on sale excursion tickets to Jacksonville, Florida, at the low rate of \$46 for the round trip, the tickets being good to return until June 1st, 1892. These tickets are by way of Washington, D. C., and south of that city passengers have the choice of several routes. Only one change of cars between Pittsburgh and Jacksonville, Florida. Sleeping cars through from Washington to Jacksonville without change. The cheap excursion will give passengers an opportunity to see the many points of interest in and around Washington City, and also to spend some time at the great Cotton Exposition at Atlanta, Ga. Tickets are now on sale at 78 Fifth Avenue, and Union Station, Pittsburgh, where further information will be cheerfully given to those who may call or make inquiries by mail. Information can also be obtained of W. W. Potter, agent at Bellefonte, Pa. Y. M. C. A. ANNIVERSARY.—The anniversary services of the Young Men's Christian Association of Bellefonte, held in the Methodist church, on last Sunday, attracted a large assembly of our people. The devotional exercises, reports and the addresses of the occasion were of an impressive and interesting character. Under its present efficient and energetic organization the association promises to do as good work in the future as it has in the past. From our daily contemporary, the Morning News, we take the following account of the exercises of the meeting of last Sabbath evening: A large and efficient choir, the members of which included representatives from nearly all the church choirs of this place, rendered the music of the evening, all of which was selected from Moody and Sank's Gospel Hymns, combined. After two appropriate voluntaries, the introductory devotional exercises were begun and were conducted by the clergymen of the town. Rev. J. I. DeLong offering the opening invocation, Rev. George Penpacker reading the Scriptures, and Rev. William Laurie addressing a second brief but eloquent petition to the throne of grace. Rev. Samuel E. Furst presided as master of ceremonies, announcing the different exercises and introducing the speakers in a peculiarly happy manner. The first speaker introduced was the former competent president, Charles F. Cook. He briefly reviewed the history of the Association during his presidency, referring to the fact that on the previous evening he had found the bill for the rent of the rooms occupied by the Association receipted in full by the generous landlord, Mr. E. C. Humes. H. Y. Stitzer, Esq., the treasurer, was then introduced as the faithful purse-bearer. His report included the financial affairs of the Association during the past two years. The receipts exceeded \$700 and the expenses were under that amount showing the finances to be in a very healthy condition. Col. D. S. Keller, the president of the Association, was introduced. His address was brief and carefully prepared. He said that he accepted the presidency of the Association only upon condition that another person should be elected at the next election of officers. When the election was held, however, he was again chosen and was prevailed upon to accept. He thanked the members for siding him in his efforts to revive interest in the Association. "The hard-working superintendent of the boys' branch," J. Wesley Gephart, Esq., appeared in response to an introduction, and presented some facts and figures to show that this new department of the Association work is accomplishing good results. He explained the manner of conducting the work and several other things of interest in reference to it. The average attendance is about ninety. Information regarding the work in the country at large and in the State was the next topic of information on which the congregation desired to be informed, and General Beaver was introduced as the person best fitted to give it. He responded in the finest speech of the evening. His review of the work of the Association was comprehensive and terse, impressing his hearers with a much more exalted sense of the work accomplished by the Association than they had previously entertained. The Associations are increasing not only in numbers, but also in the extent and variety of their work. Most of the progress made in Pennsylvania has been accomplished within the last twelve years. Perhaps the most interesting speech of the evening was made by the General Secretary, J. Willard Miller. He employed arguments to show the necessity of the work. His language was well chosen and expressed in an earnest manner. The impression which he made was very favorable. The last speaker was Rev. S. A. Taggart, the State Secretary. He thought that the course adopted by the Bellefonte Association in employing a young man to give his whole and undivided time to the work would have an electrical effect in influencing surrounding towns of equal and greater population to do the same. Bellefonte is the smallest town in this country to take this course, with the single exception of Clifton Springs, New York, and at the latter place the salary of the Secretary is paid by a single individual, and not by the citizens collectively. He has always been in love with Bellefonte and this movement increased his regard. The exercises were interspersed with very fine music. They closed with the doxology and the benediction by Rev. Penpacker. It was decidedly the pleasant anniversary in the history of the Association. The largest stock of dolmans from \$5.50 up to \$25; the largest stock of ladies' coats from \$2.25 to \$15; the largest stock of children's coats, light and dark, and all marked in plain figures at only the lowest price we can afford to take, at Lyon & Co.'s. The weather on Sunday last reminded us very much of spring.

Pennsylvania State College. For the CENTRE DEMOCRAT. It is to be regretted that great misapprehension exists concerning this institution. Graduates of other colleges regard it as promising more than it accomplishes as to thorough classical course. Farmers look upon it as an Agricultural school only in name and not in practice. Mechanics consider it lacking in sufficient provision to subserve their interests, and professional men generally seem to ignore it as unworthy of cordial support and generous patronage. All this is a tremendous mistake and should be speedily corrected. The institution that would meet the wants of these various classes of people should combine, in harmonious and successful working order, at least the following provisions: 1. Preparatory courses adapted respectively to the general, the technical and the special courses which the pupil designs to take. 2. A regular classical course as thorough and comprehensive as those furnished by the best colleges in America and including much scientific knowledge and practical training which is lacking in most of our older institutions. 3. A regular four years' course in general science, including German and French, mathematics, and a complete outline of the Natural and Metaphysical sciences. 4. A technical course in Agriculture, broad, thorough and practical throughout, including Mental Philosophy, Ethics, Political Economy, etc. 5. A technical course in Natural History, giving a practical knowledge of Geology, Zoology, Botany, etc. 6. A full technical course in Chemistry and Physics, with complete practical application and verification throughout. 7. A technical course in Civil Engineering giving all the scientific training required to prepare the pupil for the special duties of such a calling. 8. Ample provision for Co-ordinate Education (not co-education) so that female pupils may receive all the theoretical and practical training adopted to their sex. 9. Special courses to meet the wants of particular or special students. It will be readily seen it is not an easy matter to meet all these requirements. But the State College curriculum does more than cover the ground as above imperfectly outlined. It comprises other advantageous features which are omitted in this hasty communication for want of time and space. Yet people are not willing to give it the deserved patronage. Some farmers through the head of the State Grange, claim it is insufficient and ask for additional industrial schools that would give more attention to practical work. It is true that mere theory without practice is of little account, but it is equally true that practice without correct theory is a blunder constantly repeating itself. There can be no true practical christianity without sound doctrine out of which the practical grows. So there can be no educated farmers without careful scientific training to direct his practice. The two must be combined to make it possible to attain the greatest success. There are those who have been in a large measure practically successful without school training, but these same persons could have been more successful with a proper education. Again, no good farmer cares to send his son or daughter away from home at considerable expense to do the farm or kitchen work which either can practice at home. Hence the State College wisely provides for each student that which the student needs. The city boy may have learned under his father's instructions, how to keep books, accounts, &c., and attend to business with a bank, but he may know nothing about horses, cattle, &c. He is taught how to care for animals, how to harness, hitch, unhitch, drive a single or double team, &c., while the farmer boy learns how to keep correct accounts and how to attend to general business matters. The practicals of this college are adapted to the individual wants of each pupil, male or female. It is sought to make them neither too many or too few. We find, therefore, in this one institution all that could be provided for in special industrial schools, and in addition, the complete scientific and classical college courses that are the boast of the oldest and best institutions of learning in the country. The writer is in no way connected with the State College—has had no consultation with anyone concerning it, and has no personal interest in it other than the interest every one ought to feel and manifest in an institution of this character—but, having been a farmer's boy, obliged to struggle hard for an education, his sole purpose in writing this article is to call the attention of the citizens of Centre county, to the fact that they are neglecting and failing to appreciate and encourage the very superior educational advantages of their own county. He writes for the sake of the young that need and desire a good education, rather than for the benefit of the college. More than twice as many students as have ever attended there at one time ought to be enrolled from Centre county alone. The present faculty, with perhaps a very few necessary changes and additions, can do work that will bear examination—not merely one day's visit by a committee,—but weeks and months of careful, minute, searching investigation by experienced educators. If the trustees can find a man for president, who combines in himself thorough training and energetic practicality—who will first and foremost remove the misapprehensions of the citizens of Centre and adjoining counties, and afterwards gradually, yet rapidly of the whole

State, this College may, in a few years, become what it ought to be, the pride of the Commonwealth, as good as any, if not the best, in the Union. There are such men in the State and not unlikely in the county. EDUCATOR. —Miss Lou E. Van Ormer, of Harrisburg, who had been for some weeks a guest of the family of her uncle, Mr. J. N. Van Ormer, of this place, has returned home much to the disappointment of a circle of friends who expected the pleasure of her company during the holidays. Miss Louie is an attractive, amiable young lady and we trust she may not entirely forget the attractions of our mountain city, but pay us many visits in the future. —To the sick PRUENA is the greatest blessing. —The largest assortment of fall and winter suitings and overcoatings. Leave your orders now. 44-if MONTGOMERY & Co., Tailors. —We have given the exclusive agency to Lyon & Co. for the sale of Elkin's celebrated fine shoes, every pair of which we guarantee. They are of the finest stock and workmanship, and we will make our guarantee good if any pair does not give satisfaction. M. ELKIN & Co. WINTON, FORESTH Co., N. C. Gents—I desire to express to you my thanks for your wonderful Hop Bitters. I was troubled with dyspepsia for five years previous to commencing the use of your Hop Bitters some six months ago. My cure has been wonderful. I am pastor of the First Methodist Church of this place and my whole congregation can testify to the great virtues of your Bitters. Very respectfully, REV. H. FEEBEE. BATTLE CREEK, Mich., Jan. 31, 1879. GENTLEMAN:—Having been afflicted for a number of years with indigestion and general debility, by the advice of my doctor I used Hop Bitters, and must say they afforded me almost instant relief. I am glad to be able to testify in their behalf. THOS. G. KNOX. New Advertisements. Tavern Licences. NOTICE is hereby given that the following named persons have filed their petitions for license in the office of the Clerk of the Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace in and for Centre county, and that application will be made at the next Session of said Court to grant the same. Thomas Pearson.....Phillipsburg.....Tavern Patrick McCann.....do.....do Robert Taylor.....do.....do T. J. Myers.....do.....do Saloon James I. DeLong.....Liberty.....Tavern S. H. Kunes.....do.....do A. E. Graham.....do.....do Saloon CIRCULAR. All who have kindly visited my store in the last few days say that the display exceeds any of my former efforts in this direction. This is certainly very satisfactory, for I know that my stock for the last few holiday seasons has not been excelled in this or any of our neighboring towns. It requires little effort to select goods for a trade which regards prices as a secondary consideration, but when you cater to customers who are very exact and critical in their tastes (as mine are), but who don't feel like submitting to exorbitant and outrageous prices merely to confirm an idea that because an article costs a large sum it must necessarily be fine. It is a somewhat difficult matter. I have sought, and I think I have succeeded in being able to place before my customers a line of holiday goods which will satisfy the most exacting, and still be within the reach of all as far as the prices are concerned. Don't you think that Twenty-five Dollars for a Lady's Gold Watch is a popular price? (No 10 or 12 karat watch, with plated cap either.) There are very few people outside of the trade who can tell a 10 from a 14 karat watch, a plated cap from a solid gold one. But wait till they are worn a while then it takes a good judge to tell whether they are gold or any kind or not. You likely never saw as complete an assortment of Bracelets as I can show you, ranging from two to fifty dollars a pair. In Chains I have more than the combined stock in the county. In Rings I can supply Gentlemen, Ladies, Misses, Boys, Children and Infants. In silver-plated Spoons, Forks, &c., I keep none but the highest grades. I sell no single-plated goods. Every thing engraved in the best manner free of charge. I have some elegant Gloves, Handkerchiefs and Jewel Boxes, Bread, Fruit and Cracker Trays for twenty-five cents. If you think of presenting a pair of nice gloves would it not be worth a quarter to have a fine box for them? If sent by mail enclose one 3-cent stamp extra; if a handkerchief box two 3-cent stamps extra. I have Mustache and Plain Cups from 25 cents to \$2.50; some splendid ones for 50 to 75 cents, and every thing else in the same proportion. Call and see me, or rather my goods, which are all marked in plain figures, which is the absolute price. If we are crowded you can wait on yourself. Yours, EBANK P. BROWN, No. 3 Brockway House.