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Local Department.

NOTICE.—Mr. George H. Knicey, is the only authorized collector for the DEMOCRAT.

Straw hats. Garman's. —Try Harry Teats' 15ct fresh roasted coffee. —They had a very good quality of beans at the "Bean Bake," on Monday. —The rink on Saturday night will be in good condition. Go and have a good skate. —The streets are being dug up in parts of town for the purpose of laying large main water pipes. —Mr. Wilmer H. Crow, expect to visit Bellefonte some time in June, as a letter received by Mr. Finkbinder states. —James A. McClain has his new stable about completed. A new fence around his property adds very much to the appearance. —Dr. Hibler is a delegate to the state medical association which meets at Scranton. Centre County is represented by a good physician. —Hon. John A. Woodward has our thanks for two maps sent us. One showing the congressional, and the other the senatorial district. —On last Friday the firm of Harper & Weakly grocers was dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. Harper will continue in the business at the old stand. —The Good Templars will hold an ice cream and strawberry festival on the afternoon and evening of the 30th inst., in the Court House yard. —Francis Speer, reported for the Daily News, on Monday. Francis thinks it takes more cheek than he has to ask questions enough to make a local. —The house of Mr. Robert Brennan, about 6 miles south-west of this place was entirely destroyed by fire on last Sunday. The family were all away from home, but Mr. Brennan and one of his children at the time of the fire. The contents were entirely consumed. The insurance was only \$500. —The store of John T. Lucas, at Moshannon was burglarized of about \$300 worth of goods and \$6.50 in money on last Thursday. Three suspicious characters were loafing around on Thursday, and it is supposed they are the guilty parties and efforts are being made to effect their arrest. —Mr. and Mrs. Amos Harper, of Warrior's Mark, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on last Tuesday, May the 19th. Mrs. Harper's maiden name was Knoll. Has a large circle of acquaintances in this county. They were married in 1835 and have resided in Huntingdon county ever since. We, with your many friends in Centre, wish you many happy returns of the day. —One day last week a little child of Mrs. Bland, who resides on Half Moon Hill, fell into a cistern which had been uncovered, and would have drowned had it not been for the immediate assistance of a colored man who jumped into the cistern and rescued the child. A loose piece of board to which the child clung, saved to keep its head above water. This should be a warning to those who are so careless as to leave such dangerous places exposed. —This afternoon and evening the commencement exercises of the High school will be held in Humes Hall. It is expected that Dr. Geo. W. Atherton, President of the State College will be present and deliver an address to the pupils and the patrons of the school. D. F. Fortney, Esq. President of the board of education, will present the certificates of scholarship to the graduating classes, which is composed of the following members, Nellie M. Kline, Jennie A. Pontius, Jennie Shortridge, Carrie A. Weaver, and Thos. B. Hutchison all of this borough. —The Episcopal church was well filled by an audience composed mostly of women on last Thursday at 4:30, when Mr. Joseph Undercoffer and Miss Clara Carr marched to the holy altar of matrimony. Miss Mary Bradely struck up an appropriate wedding march when Mr. Dinges, of Williamsport and Miss Anna Gordon, led the way to the altar followed by the contracting parties. Rev. Bunnell of the Lock Haven Episcopal Church performed the ceremonies. Mr. and Mrs. Undercoffer took the 5 p. m. train for Philadelphia where they will remain several days and return to their own home already furnished and ready for them to begin housekeeping in the south-west part of town. We congratulate you and trust life may be full of happiness. —On Sunday morning, Post 95 of the Grand Army of the Republic, marched to the Lutheran church to listen to the annual memorial sermon, which upon this occasion was delivered by the Rev. Charles Steck. The church around the altar was handsomely decorated with a variety of flowers. Good music for the occasion was rendered by the choir. The sermon, to say the least, was fine and the manner in which it was delivered added much to the well-chosen theme. It was somewhat of a departure from the usual memorial sermons we have listened to, in as much, as the causes of the war, as viewed by both parties, the north and the south, were discussed at some length. His tribute to the soldier whose resting place is unmarked, was pleasing and appropriate. After the service the Post marched to their rooms where they were dismissed. —Straw hats—Garman's.

Wesley Gephart spent several days in Philipsburg, this week. Prof. G. W. Johnstonbaugh, of Boalsburg, was in town on Saturday. Miss Emma Harper, of Centre Hall, is visiting her brother J. C. Harper, of this place. Mr. J. N. VanOrmer came over from Philipsburg on Saturday and remained over Sunday. Mr. A. Sorge, Jr. of Campbell Printing Press Co. of New York, paid our town a visit on Friday. Mr. John S. Wait, of Wait Bros. Agricultural Implement firm, of Tyrone, was in town on Friday. Dr. A. W. Hafer is making a business tour through the south and east end of the county yesterday and to-day. Mr. James Wasson, of Houserville, was in town on Monday, attending the dedication exercises of the G. A. R. Mr. John Daley, of Curtin township is an early bird. He drives from that township into Bellefonte, to the curb market, and generally is the first one here. Mrs. C. A. Swavely, who has been visiting relatives in this place for the past month, departed for her home at Roanoke, Va., on Friday morning of last week. Mr. Joseph Undercoffer was perhaps honored more than many Bellefonte railroad officials. He took his own special Car(r) with him for his bride on their wedding trip. Ex-Sheriff Dunkel, of Bellefonte made us a pleasant call on Thursday evening of last week. The Sheriff will always find a welcome at the Journal office.—Philipsburg Journal. Miss Lizzie Bottorf, and her brother John, of Lemont, and at present students of the Penn. state college favored our sanctum with their agreeable presence on Tuesday. Miss Ammerman, who has been at Finkbinder's Photograph gallery will accept a similar position in Altoona. Miss Ammerman understands the art and is a very valuable hand. H. E. Wirick, of Nora Springs, Jo Davis county, Illinois, is visiting friends in Centre and Clinton county at present. He is engaged in teaching school and is meeting with success in his profession. Mr. Eugene H. Munday, of the well known Type foundry of Collins & McLeester, of Philadelphia, visited Bellefonte the latter part of last week. Mr. Munday is a very pleasant gentleman and thoroughly familiar with his line of business. Dr. C. S. Musser, of Aaronsburg, left on Monday for New York, where on the 23d inst. he sailed for Europe, and after traveling extensively, over that country, will settle down at Vienna to complete his Medical studies before returning to old Centre again. Mr. Andrew Gregg of Potter township paid us a little visit on Monday in company with J. P. Holter, of Howard, both Grand Army boys—Andrew is just as fat as when he was commissioner, and Holter just looks as soldierly as though he was ready for another fight should occasion demand it. Rev. Crittenden returned home on Monday after two weeks absence in Crawford, Clearfield and Elk counties. He says that it is astonishing to see the number of new towns that are springing up along the new rail roads out there, and the many new industries, some of the lumber mills are running day and night. Misses Kate and Maggie Alexander, two handsome, intelligent, and accomplished young ladies, daughters of Mr. Amos Alexander, deceased, of Millheim, departed on the 5 o'clock train from this place on Tuesday, for the far west, where they will visit friends for several months before returning. Their destination is Kansas. Mr. Henry Beck, who represents that enterprising boot and shoe firm, Wm. Richardson & Co. of Hornellsville, New York, arrived home on Saturday evening from an extended trip through Clearfield and Indiana counties, and remained until Wednesday. Mr. Beck is an energetic salesman, and gives entire satisfaction to his employers. —On last Wednesday night, about 11 o'clock, a fire broke out in Walter Bayard's drug store on Allegheny street. By timely assistance the flames were soon extinguished; but not until a greater portion of his goods were consumed or damaged. The walls and shelving were badly scorched and smoked. Walter had his stock insured, but did not get more than one-third of the amount of insurance, as the exact amount of damage was difficult to ascertain. We are indeed, sorry Walter has had this misfortune so shortly after starting in business; but he will soon have things fixed up as neat and cosy as ever, and then you want to go in and see him. The origin of the fire is not known, as it originated in the part of the building where the whisky, turpentine and other combustible article were stored. It is thought, however, that it may have originated from spontaneous combustion.

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Dedication, Gregg Post Hall. From early in the morning until two o'clock, the time the dedicatory ceremonies were to take place, the old battle-scarred veterans representing the different Posts kept gathering into town. At a few minutes past two, the exercises formally began. The choir, composed of male voices, rendered a National air, after which Commander Keller made a few very appropriate remarks. Then Gen. Jas A. Beaver, on behalf of the committee, formally delivered the Hall to the Commander, and the Post, which was received by Col. Keller in a short speech. The symbols of the Army and Navy were brought in. R. C. Irvin was detailed to guard the symbol of the Navy—an anchor; while Wm. Garris the symbol of the army, the musket and knap-sack. The Commander then asked the Senior Vice-Commander, Mr. John Noll, what scriptural passage applied to the Navy, to which he replied by reading the proper passage. The Junior Vice H. H. Benner, (acting) was asked to read that passage applying to the army. Officer of the day, Dr. Harris, then repeated the portion relating to both army and navy. A chair donated to the Commander by Mrs. Jones, was then delivered to Commander Keller in a nice speech by James I. Rankin, Esq., in which he complimented the ladies for their special efforts in helping not only to provide the present Hall, but for their many acts of kindness in everything pertaining to the interests, welfare and comfort of the Grand Army of the Republic. General Beaver on behalf of Mrs. Gibbs, of Milesburg, presented to the Post a handsome altar cover of red white, and blue satin, artistically worked in colors to correspond with the furniture and fixtures of the hall. D. F. Fortney received the gift in a neat speech, and to more fully assure the lady that her gift was appreciated by the members of the Post, presented her with a handsomely engraved gold badge of the order. The lady received the present and stepped out and properly saluted the Commander and replied as follows: Friends, Commander and Comrades of Gregg Post 95, of the G. A. R.: As the recipient of this beautiful gold badge, words almost fail me to express to you my heartfelt thanks for this token of your sincere appreciation of my feeble efforts in trying to contribute towards your happiness, and this mark of respect to me. The plumed warrior, as he bends the knee before his crowned king to receive the honors of knighthood after a hard gained victory, never felt prouder than I do today, to receive from you, comrades of 95, this combined badge. The maltese cross emblem of the W. R. C.; the golden, five pointed star, whose power is felt beyond this grand and glorious republic of ours. In other climes this star is worn by many a war-weary veteran, if not as an outward sign, down deep in his heart are sad memories and pleasant ones, too, of the Grand Army of the Republic, as they marched and carried the bayonets under the scorching rays of the southern sun, engaged in all the horrors of a civil war. The colors, the red, white and blue are the connecting links between the two. The American flag guarded well your heart's best blood. Ah! how many of your fallen comrades have strained their fast glazing eyes to catch one more look of the tri-colors ere their spirit winged its flight to the bugal call of the Great Commander, Lord of all. Who would not be proud to wear this signet of your noble order? When it tells of how much, with God's help, you have achieved. As you clasp hands in the bond of fraternal friendship over yonder altar embroidered altar cloth, it will ever be a silent, though powerful witness that all true, loyal women are ready and willing to assist you comrades in all good works for the best interests of our common country, even to the giving of their heart's idol. Fathers, husbands, sons, brother—yes, and lovers, too. As American women our motto should be, How can we best aid our boys in blue? Comrades, you are growing old. As the years, one by one, come and go, may you be spared to enjoy many such pleasant meetings as the present one in this your elegant new hall, and as a Nation may we ever keep green the memory of your valiant deeds and noble sacrifices. All we enjoy as a united people we owe to you, brave veterans. Your battle-scars are a badge of bravery and are reminders of the dear old flag, and tell to the world who saved our altars, homes and honor. This about closed the services in the hall. At 5 o'clock the bugal sounded forth from the opposite side of the street at the "Armory, calling soldiers and all to the bean bake. Here hundreds of men women and children surrounded the table in good old army style eating pork and beans hard tack and drinking hot coffee.

mander Keller called the large audience to order, and stated what a camp fire was, and that while they did not have the camps, flags and other regalia, they had the fire,—fire of patriotism. He said in a camp fire they gathered around and told stories, sang songs, danced a jig, cracked a joke and other amusements to dispell the gloom, and to cheer those who were homesick; and that every one who was called upon had to respond, and he hoped that the same would be done here to-night. Prof. Leidy, of Harrisburg, then rendered a cornet solo accompanied on the organ by Mr. Cannon, of Tyrone. The choir composed of the above named gentlemen and Messrs. Lew Shaffer, C. E. Scharffer, J. C. Meyer, S. A. Stover, and Harry Keller, then sang "Tenting on the old camp ground." Prayer was then offered by Rev. Whitney, of Stormstown. Col. Keller, then made a few interesting remarks regarding the origin of the G. A. R. its growth etc. After singing "Marching through Georgia," by the choir, Commander Austin Curtin was presented to the audience. He gave a brief history of the organization its rapid growth in membership which now number 37,000 with 481 Posts in the state, and a membership of 300,000, in the United States, with over a million of soldiers yet who could join. From the present encouragement, he thinks that before the close of the year the order in this State will number forty thousand. There are fifty regiments represented here, and this represented fifty thousand strong. He urged them to stand fast to the order and for each other, that while there was a chance for them to increase in numbers, now, twenty years would greatly lessen their ranks, as the battle-scarred veterans are one by one dropping off. Prof. Leidy, sang a song entitled, "When I am gone from this land." Mr. Cannon then sang a dutch song entitled, "Don't give the places a bad name." General Beaver was then called upon and entertained the audience in his usual good manner. He said while war had its horrors, it had its bright side. He related many little incidents which proved very entertaining. His story about "Switzer" the Dutchman was excellent and if space would permit we would tell it on the General, but as he got the joke off to a very large audience anyone can tell you the story. The joke of course is on the General. Dr. Geo. W. Atherton, President of the State College then responded in a very fitting and pleasant manner. He is a very ready speaker, with the best of language at his command. Senator Thompson of Dauphin county, was excused from making any remarks on account of a severe cold. Thos. Stewart, Assistant Adjutant Genl. full of originality, wit and humor, recited a few of his Dutch and Irish pieces, much to the pleasure of all. Mr. Geo. O. Boal, the elocutionist, then recited Barbara Fritchie which was followed by General Stewart with a parody on the same. "Schneider's ride" was recited as an encore. Mr. Long of Gettysburg extended an invitation for all to visit that place in July. Another Dutch song by Mr. Cannon, and remarks by Rev. Hicks of Howard, closed the exercises. It perhaps would not be out of place to speak of the decorations. Three handsome bouquets of wild honeysuckles adorned the stand. To the right of Col. Keller sat Commander Austin Curtin and on his left Senator Thompson. At the extreme south end of the stand stood a little boy busily engaged in chewing gum; at the north end a little colored boy about the same size happy and content with his lot stood gazing over the vast audience. Around Commander Curtin's chair clustered six little urchins both Jew and Gentile; around Col. Keller's chair gathered five more little lads representing the several nationalities; collected around Senator Thompson's chair were three more amusing themselves by applauding vigorously around the ears of Senator Thompson, every laughable feature of the evening. All in all the decorations were exquisite and "Kid-diff'erous."

Memorial Day. GEN'L. ORDERS, HEADQUARTERS GREGG POST, No. 95, DEPT. OF PA., G. A. R. Bellefonte, May 28, 1885. I. Decoration day will be observed by this Post in the following manner: All comrades who can do so, will assemble at the Post room at 9 o'clock, to assist the committee in charge of marking the graves generally, and of decorating the graves in Bellefonte at the Union Cemetery. The detail charged with the decoration of graves at Zion, Hublersburg, and Snyderstown, will begin their labors as early as possible. All comrades not otherwise specially engaged will assemble at the Post room in full uniform and white gloves at 2 o'clock p. m. preparatory to forming for the memorial services in the Union cemetery. II. The following organizations have been invited to assist us, and are expected to attend. They are requested to report to H. H. Benner, chief of aides, at precisely 2:30 o'clock p. m. at the diamond square in front of the Court House. Company "B" 5th Regt. N. G. P. Battalion; Cadets Pennsylvania State College, Captain K. R. Breeze Camp, No. 12, Sons of Veterans; Logan Hose Company, Undine Hose Company; The children of the public schools, all ex-soldiers and citizens generally are invited to assist us. And those reporting will be assigned positions in the procession. III. The procession will be formed with the right resting on the north side of High street, and will move promptly at 3 o'clock; by wheeling into platoons and marching over the following route: Down High street to Spring; along Spring to Bishop; along Bishop to Allegheny; out Allegheny to Howard, and up Howard to Union Cemetery, where the decoration of the graves will be completed in accordance with the form prescribed in the Book of Services. IV. The closing part of the memorial services will be held in the Court House, beginning at 7:30 p. m. The address will be delivered by Comrade Wm. F. Aull, of Post 117, a member of the State Senate from the county of Allegheny. The audience is requested to be seated as soon after 7 o'clock, as possible. V. The following appointments of aides for the day are announced: H. H. Benner, George F. Harris, Samuel Gault, H. A. Williams, Amos Mullen, J. R. Irvin, C. P. Stonerod. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly. By order of D. S. KELLER, Post Commander. Adjutant. —On Saturday evening a team of horses standing near the depot, became frightened at the Snow Shoe train, and started up High street at full speed. Upon reaching the bridge, one ran on each side of the centre pier the tongue of the wagon taking its course up the pier and telescoping the wagon and bringing the team to a stand still. The horses extricated themselves from the harness and ran a short distance when they were caught. The only damage was the upsetting of a barrel of fish, and frightening the driver who fortunately was not on the wagon at the time. Scarcely had the excitement of the runaway died out, until a fight on the corner of Spring and High streets attracted a small crowd. The officers of the law, especially Sheriff Walker was immediately upon the scene, and took the parties in custody. Mr. Williams made the first effort to part them, and succeeded before they had mutilated each other very much. —White, pink, ecru and blue embroidered dress patterns—Garman's. —The new time table of the P. R. R. and branches went into effect on Monday May 25th. On the Bellefonte & Snow Shoe branch the trains will run as follows: The mail will leave Bellefonte at 9:05 a. m. arriving in Snow Shoe at 10:20 a. m. Another train will leave here at 8:25 p. m. and arrive in Snow Shoe at 9:40 p. m. The express leaves Snow Shoe at 5 a. m. and arrives here at 6:06 a. m. the mail leaves Snow Shoe at 5:51 p. m. and arrives here at 4:40, this again gives us two trains each way, enabling the traveling public to come from Snow Shoe and get back the same day, and from Bellefonte to Snow Shoe and return. A sensible and convenient change. —Small, medium, large, and extra large fans—Garman's. —What Daniel Webster calls the greatest novelty of the age is on exhibition and for sale by Schofield, the celebrated harness manufacturer on Spring street. It is a patent, double-action, self-cleaning curry-comb, and we feel like going right off and buying a horse so we can use this great equine cleaner. Every farmer and horseman should have one. Jim says it the best thing out-Call and see the little giant. The price of the comb is a mere trifle. Don't get for get to call and buy one when you are in town. At present they are only for sale by Mr. Schofield. —Balbriggan underwear—Garman's. MARRIED. BOOP-KRUMHOLTZ.—On the 14th inst. by Rev. W. H. Gosh, Mr. Benjamin Boop and Miss Lizzie Krumholtz, both from the vicinity of State College. KNIPP-PATTERSON.—On the 15th inst. by Rev. W. H. Gosh, Mr. Samuel Knipp of Oak Hill and Miss Martha E. Patterson, from the vicinity of Bushy Run. TRUESLER-KLINE.—On the 5th inst. by Rev. W. H. Gosh, Mr. Andrew Truesler and Miss Emeline Kline both from the vicinity of State College.