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Local Department.

NOTICE.—No papers will be stopped unless subscription is paid in full, except at the option of the publishers.

Court is in session and is very largely attended.

The Decoration Day orator is getting a little speech ready.

Mr. Randolph Nightingale is again installed as chief clerk at Styler's book store on Allegheny street.

Dr. C. S. Musser of Aaronsburg, who has been spending several months in Europe, arrived home last week.

Mr. Lyman Eddy, one of Milesburg's popular gentlemen and vocalists, was in town on Monday on business.

The Sheriff's sales took place on Saturday. The sale was well attended and the list was pretty well cleared up.

Farmers are getting their ground ready for corn. Many have already finished sowing oats in fact in some places it is up.

The Centre County Medical Society met in the parlors of the Brockerhoff House on Tuesday and held a very interesting session.

El Chambers has been smiling all week. The fact is Mrs. and the baby boy arrived home from her home in Chester county.

A committee of the Bellefonte School Board were in Elmira, N. Y., on last Thursday looking at a school house. They saw one.

Lightning struck an old school house in Milesburg on Sunday. It has been occupied as a residence of late years, but no one was injured.

Thos. Shaughency informs us that the curb market will open up in full blast on May 1st, and he will be on hands to promptly collect the fee.

Some heartless wretch stole some clothing last week from the line of a poor woman who washed for other families and to whom most of the cloths belonged.

Wilbur Reber, stenographer, was appointed reporter for the Curtin Labor Committee and started for St. Louis on Wednesday to take testimony in the investigation.

Town was quite lively the fore part of the week, representatives from all parts of the county were in attendance at court. On Monday the applications for licenses were heard.

F. M. Burkholder of Centre Hill is selling self Binders pretty early and quite a number of them. But then just see how he does it. He takes a column in the county papers solid reading matter.

The Snow Shoe Cornet band rendered some very excellent music on our streets last week. The boys were raising money for those who are rendered destitute on account of the prolonged strike in that section.

Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Gates, the newly married couple have returned from their wedding trip and are making preparations to go to housekeeping on East street in the house formerly occupied by Mr. VanOrmer.

Candidates are beginning to look over the field to see what the prospects for the coming season will be. It is hard to tell, a little rain may bring forth a good crop, while a continued dry spell may dry some up.

The ministers conference of the Centre Baptist Association will meet with the Warriors Mark church on Tuesday May 11th, at 10 o'clock a. m. The Baptist of Centre County are cordially invited to be present.

On last Thursday the remains of David Smith, a Hebrew, who had been employed at the Potter House, Philipsburg were brought to this place for burial. His death was very sudden, and is thought to have been from heart disease.

Moyer Brothers have taken charge of their new grocery store in Humes' block recently operated by Frank Grice. Mr. Grice will settle up the books of the old firm and then depart for New York where he will take charge of some other branch of business for the same firm.

During all of last week Maj. Geo. A. Hilton conducted a series of Gospel Temperance meetings in the rink and Presbyterian church under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. The meetings were largely attended. Maj. Hilton is a very forcible talker and deeply interested in his work.

The ladies of the W. C. T. U. have rented the skating rink for one year, and also have the necessary funds wherewith to fix it up as a good, enjoyable place to hold their meetings. In fact it will be as attractive as the Court room, and Jack Greist will not be allowed to go there to get on the roller skates any more.

The concert was good but not up to the expectations of many.

Street commissioner Shaughency, and staff, are cleaning the streets this week.

Spring Mills wants more milk, for a creamery too. That is right Spring Mills is going to be up with the times.

Another fashionable church wedding will occur in the near future. The contracting parties are Bellefonters.

The rain so much wished for by the farmers, arrived the early part of the week, and now the ground is thoroughly soaked.

Michael Corman, of Zion, appreciates the fact that a newspaper cannot be run without some money, and always pays his in advance.

The Sunbury News says that the Sunbury nail works use coal brought there from Wales and sold seventy five cents cheaper than Pennsylvania coal.

Supt. Westfall ran a special train to Oak Hall on Tuesday night after the concert, for the accommodation of those who attended from College township. Almost half the audience was composed of College township people.

We would suggest that the young men who frequently give such good open air serenades, would properly organize themselves into a glee club and practice. There is some good talent among them which deserves attention.

The Logan Hose Company gave a very fine dress ball on Monday evening in Armory Hall. The dance was well attended and the boys realized a nice sum. A number of ladies and gentlemen were present from a distance, and the music and dancing good.

George Doll, son of Mathias Doll of Roopsburg, died on Friday night of brain fever. He was a boy about fifteen years old, and most faithful and obedient, he has been working very hard this spring on the farm and took suddenly ill with the above disease and suffered intensely until death relieved him.

Memorial Day falls on Sunday, May 30th, this year. The Department of Pennsylvania has issued orders that in compliance with an act of Assembly passed in May 1874, and the rules and regulations of the G. A. R. the day will be celebrated and properly observed on Saturday, May 29th.

The caletumpians who visited the residence of E. T. Tuten on Monday night were defeated and are cross because the "Gates" were closed up in the house. They did not get to see the bride and groom but heard the jingle of the telephone bell and the gentle footsteps of the police.

The balconies in front of the New Brockerhoff House have had new floors put in and otherwise repaired. C. G. McMillen is always busily engaged in making necessary repairs for the solid comfort of his guests, and the New Brockerhoff is not surpassed by any hotel in the central part of the State.

Post 261 G. A. R. Milesburg, at their meeting on last Saturday evening passed resolutions of thanks to all those who assisted in the entertainment of the 17th inst. The following committee was appointed to draw up the resolutions Messrs. W. H. Musser, James Bradley, and Jas. Murray.

The tipstaves in the court room make more noise trying to keep order, than any one else. If they see a man smiling, they will come back and knock their clubs down on the floor with such a force that you think the house is coming down. To exercise a little more judgement on the part of some and not so much bull dog authority would do better.

Mrs. Lawrence Brown is a fine performer on the piano as was clearly shown on Tuesday evening at the concert. Many wished they could have heard her perform as instrumental piece. She is a very pleasant lady and her unpretentious air and graceful actions are qualities always to be admired. The singing of Mrs. Blanchard, was very highly complimented. She has a sweet musical voice and under good control.

Spring Mills and Penn Hall always have been educational centres, and this summer they have three schools in successful operation. Profs. Krise and Hosterman are two of the instructors. The former we are personally acquainted with and can speak in the highest terms of him both as a thorough scholar and a gentleman. He is a veteran in the profession, and one of the teachers Centre county can justly be proud of. Those who are preparing to teach, will do well to attend his school.

The old saying that "when you have a good thing keep it," will apply with equal force to public entertainments. When you give to the audience something which they appreciate, it is customary to spoil the effect by an encore with something inferior, and they will continue to torture the audience until the applause dies entirely away. This was avoided to a great extent at the recent concert. It displayed exceedingly good taste upon the part of the performers.

Justice Prevails.—Not in many years has a case excited such intense interest in this community as that of the commonwealth vs. Miss Alice Heaton. From the impaneling of the Jury down to the motion of Dist. Attorney Heinle, for the discharge of the prisoner and a verdict of not guilty, the court house had been crowded, and the interest in the case kept increasing. It was evident when the evidence of the Commonwealth had closed that a conviction could not be had. When the defense put witness after witness on the stand to testify to the defendants good character and proved by her physician and mother, the physical impossibility of her being guilty, it was simply piling up testimony that left no doubt as to the innocence of the lady. Miss Heaton's evidence was that of a young lady conscious of her innocence, jealous of her good name, it was the story of a brave, honest, christian woman and carried conviction with it. During the entire trial she had never lost courage. Not until the tumultuous applause of the crowd in the Court room, the great jury of the county pronounced her guiltless, did she give away, and then the tears refreshing as an April shower moistened the honest face of a terribly maligned girl. "Not guilty." Truth is right and will prevail. And what of the old father and mother who have watched so anxiously the progress of the whole miserable farce? Joy is in their hearts their old age is free from the shame of a stigma on the fair fame of a loved daughter. The result is what was fore shadowed in the evidence. The District Attorney, Mr. Heinle, won laurels in the conduct of the commonwealth's cause and performed his duty manfully. When he realized the lady's innocence he gladly asked for her discharge and a verdict of not guilty. He did his whole duty, and the cheer that greeted his motion was as much for the faithful officer as for the innocent girl. Of the counsel for the defense the verdict is well done. Col. D. S. Keller and Judge Orvis fought, not for mercy, but for justice, and they won.

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CONCERT.—Perhaps the largest audience ever assembled in Humes' Hall at one time was that of Tuesday night, the occasion of the concert for the benefit of the organ fund of the Presbyterian church of this place. The stage surely was never so handsomely decorated with flowers and tropical plants as it was upon this occasion. The programme was too lengthy for us to make special mention of each feature and those who participated. The concert upon the whole was good. The expectations of some were perhaps raised too high, hence they suffered a slight disappointment. The exercises were opened by a few remarks from Hon. Judge Furst, after which Mrs. Packhurst, of Birmingham Seminary, followed with an instrumental selection. The Huntingdon Quartette composed of the following gentlemen: Messrs. Brown, Shumaker, Dobson and Dorris, rendered a selection from the opera "Little Tycoon," entitled "On the Sea." Miss Tracy one of the teachers of the Birmingham Seminary, rendered a number of vocal solos and assisted in duets and other selections. She has a very strong voice and shows considerable cultivation. The Bellefonte Quartette, composed of Mrs. Blanchard, Dr. Harris, Messrs. Blanchard and Fred Reynolds, rendered a plantation melody, in fact they rendered a number during the evening which always met with hearty applause. Mrs. Lawrence Brown presided at the piano with grace and skill. The duet by the Guy sisters and a solo by Miss Lillie Aikens, all pupils of the Birmingham Seminary, were well received. The Huntingdon Quartette then favored the audience with a selection from "Mascoot," which delighted the audience very much and won a number of encores.

A quartette composed of Miss Tracy Mrs. Packhurst teachers, at Birmingham Seminary, and the following pupils Misses Kyle, Guy sisters and Lillie Aikens, was very good. Mr. Craemer presided at the piano for the Huntingdon quartette. By some accident the baggage belonging to the Birmingham performers was delayed at Tyrone until the 8:55 p. m. train, and some changes and delay in the program was caused, otherwise the affair passed off very nicely.

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Personal.

Ira N. McCloskey, of Eagleville, is a juror this week.

Mr. Peter Robb, Sr., of Howard, was in town on Monday.

James Coburn, of Aaronsburg, is attending Court this week.

Hon. Fred Kurtz, of the Centre Reporter, was in town on Monday.

J. W. Newson of Howard was in town the early part of the week.

Miss Mary Waddle, of Lock Haven is now visiting friends in this county.

Mr. Jacob Emerick, of near Coburn, was in attendance at Court this week.

James Ray, of Lemont, was visible on our streets the early part of the week.

Dr. Glenn and wife of Know Shoe arrived in town on the morning train on Tuesday.

Messrs. W. G. Rook and Squire Tobias of Millheim, were in town the early part of the week.

H. B. Wilcox, Jno. West and C. A. Faulkner, of Phillipsburg, were in attendance at Court the early part of the week.

Miss Meek, daughter of P. Gray Meek is a home on a vacation. She has been attending school in the state of New Jersey.

Mrs. Emma Noris and daughter of Saxton, Bedford county, spent Monday and part of Tuesday with friends in Bellefonte.

Mr. Jacob Bottorf of College township was a Grand Juror this week. Mr. Bottorf has always been an active democrat and a good party worker.

J. W. Bitner, of Blanchard, favored our office with a short call on Monday. Mr. Bitner is a very pleasant gentleman and we are always pleased to have him call.

Ex-Commissioner Campbell of Furguson township was made foreman of the grand jury. Mr. Campbell is a very popular man in the county and has many friends in Bellefonte.

Mr. Archey Moore, constable of College township was in town on Monday making his report for that office. Archey is also one of College townships successful school teachers having taught the Lemont school for two terms.

Bellefonte is a beautiful place, in fact we think it is the prettiest place in Pennsylvania and especially is it so at this season of the year, when the trees along the well shaded streets are in leaf and the hills surrounding the mountain city are arrayed in their beautiful robe of green, the mountains shedding their coat of dead leaves and budding forth in the various shades of green dotted here and there with the dogwood tree full of white blossoms, the pure sweet fragrant mountain air, and the never failing spring of the best water in the State, are a few of the advantages bestowed by nature to make Bellefonte a lovely place. Then in the town proper we have a never failing supply of stores of all description, many of which will compete with the city stores. First class hotels, elegant churches and some of the finest and most comfortable residences that could be desired. Some people complain of our hilly streets, well while we have several little grades, they only add to the beauty and picturesqueness of the town. It is a picture of beauty to stand on the Court House steps and look down High street, lined on either side with large handsome trees, the branches almost meeting, or look out Allegheny, another well shaded street. Oh, we have it—a thing of beauty there is no mistake.

A very valuable horse belonging to Mr. Andrew Tibbits, of near Unionville became very sick and after a few hours of intense suffering, died. Mr. Tibbits opened the animal to learn the cause and found in a sack on the liver a round stone as large as a large sized cannon ball, the weight of which was two pounds and nine ounces. The stone is the formation of the various properties of the blood and to all appearance is a stone. Dr. E. L. Miller of Unionville, who attended the Medical Association here on Tuesday had the phenomena in his possession.

Misses Clark, Carrie Quigley and Cora Snyder, three of Eagleville's handsome young ladies, sojourned in our town this week. Mr. N. Bally of the News, thinks he would like to live in Eagleville for a short time. Hold on Newton, two weddings in the News office would deprive three individuals of single blessedness, and that is too much of a sacrifice at one time.

The Italian who was convicted for stealing a watch was arrested and lodged in jail without a warrant or legal authority, was tried and convicted, sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. Being entirely overcome with remorse, he attempted to kill himself rather than to go to penitentiary. The Judge then taking into consideration that it was his first offense changed the sentence to six months in the county jail, went to bed and dreamed over it and then concluded to again change it to one year in the penitentiary.

The Pennsylvania State Teacher's Association will meet in Allentown, July 6, 7, and 8. The following topics have been selected for discussion: Defects in our School Laws. Some phases of the Normal School Question. The Relation of Colleges and Public Schools. The Study of Birds. Primary Work. What can Supplant the County Institute.

Rev. W. R. Whitney, who was until recently located at Stormstown and who is now located at Altoona, was called to the bedside of his aged father at Cassville, Huntingdon county. The old gentleman was stricken with paralysis a few days ago, and is in precarious condition. He is over 71 years of age.

Erysipelas and Salt Rheum was driven entirely away from Mrs. J. C. Anderson, Peshigo, Wis., by Bardock Blood Bitters. No equal as a blood purifier.

We are in receipt of the annual report of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Institution for the deaf and dumb. Among those attending that very popular institution from Centre county are the following: Gertie H. Swabb, of Linden Hall; Mary A. Gorman, of Snow Shoe; Kate Bartholomew, of Millheim; Joel Tressler, of Linden Hall; John Price, of Garrett; Gurney Hosterman, of Aaronsburg.

Mr. Lawrence Fusser of this place, and by the way one of the best glass workers in the county, left his native country, France, and landed in this country the 18th day of May, 1869, since that time he has worked most of his time in the glass works in this place. During the time they were closed he spent several years in Pittsburg but soon returned to Bellefonte.

The Campaign is drawing nigh and as a natural consequence aspiring candidates are heard from. Among the few county offices to be filled this fall is the office of District Attorney. We have for a time been aware of the intention of our esteemed friend, Mr. J. Calvin Meyer, to become a candidate for that office, but were not authorized to make a public announcement of the fact until of late. Mr. Meyer is well and favorably known to nearly all our readers, being a son of Hon. J. G. Meyer, of Aaronsburg, which town he is proud to call his home. It seems therefore but natural for us to make the first mention of his candidacy and we do it cheerfully. Several years ago he entered Adam Hoy's law-office in Bellefonte, and by close application and hard study has arrived at a point where he can see success ahead, and now figures as one of Centre county's rising young lawyers. He is of sterling character, natural ability and genial disposition and is in every way fitted for the office and worthy of support. It may also be said that he is a genuine democrat and was an active worker in his party ever since he cast his first ballot.

The above from the Millheim Journal is a well deserved compliment to our fellow townsman Mr. J. C. Meyer. The adage that "a prophet is not without honor save in his own country" may be true with the prophets, but Mr. Meyer is held in high esteem in all parts of the county by those who know him. He is a young man of good, moral, and legal qualifications and in every way suited for the office to which he aspires, and we feel confident that his announcement will be favorably hailed by all his friends.

There is no reason why the operators should not pay the advance asked by the miners. The consumers have long been paying it to the operators and it is but just that the miners should have it. There is no class of men who run more risk of life than the poor miner, who daily toils in the bowels of the earth for less than the man who works by daylight. There is scarcely a day passes but we read of some mine caving in, being flooded, a fall of coal, or some other horror, and hundreds of the poor unfortunate men sent into eternity without a moment's warning. These are the men who are offered no protection, are not so much as living wages, for the risk they continually undergo. The operators sit back in rich and costly furnished palaces, and demand that the poor man shall either work and keep his family on a mere pittance or their places will be filled with car loads of pauper laborers from foreign countries.

The Italian who stole a watch from Mr. Richard some time ago, or as he said made a mistake and put the wrong watch in his pocket, was tried on Tuesday and convicted and sentenced to one year and six months in the penitentiary. As soon as the Judge passed the sentence he immediately drew from his pocket a fork and plunged it into his breast five or six times before anyone fully realized what he was doing. He was taken to his cell, and as soon as put in he said he could find enough of things to kill himself with, and rushed to the window knocked out the glass and tried to cut his throat with a piece of it. Sheriff Walker seized him and put the hand cuffs on. He will be taken to the Penitentiary, with two negro boys and an other white boy.

Chum has returned home. James Runkle, Sr., is able to be around again, after spell of sickness. Jerry Corl, of Pine Hall, visited friends here last week.

Miss Maggie Yearick, one of Nittany's young ladies, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Gettig last week. The carpenters have commenced work on Mr. Runkle's new barn.

Mrs. Sarah A. Glasgow, wife of John Glasgow, died at her home near this place on the 16th. Deceased was a member of the German Reformed church.

FOR SALE.—The property now occupied by the undersigned, and known as the Davis place, contains two acres of ground. This valuable property will be sold very reasonable and on very easy terms. Possession April 1st, call or address, A. M. HOOVER.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in the post-office at Bellefonte, Centre county, April 19th, 1886: William Akeley, Miss Lizzie Brian, Miss Nettie M. Bell, L. Berg, Richard Gunsall, Miss Laura E. Halderman, Mrs. Laura Harris, Miss Cora Karns, Miss Phoebe Miller-2, Miss Libbie J. Noll, Miss Kate O'Neil, Mollie J. Potter Lydia E. Smith, Mrs. Sallie Stover, Edla L. Whippo.

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DEATHS. MILLER.—At Madisonburg, April 9, Cecelia Miller, wife of Elias Miller, aged 67 years, 3 months and 25 days.

SHRADE.—On the 4th inst., in the eastern end of Miles township, Mrs. Christopher Shrade.

BROWN.—At Richsburg on the 16th inst., Catharine, wife of Henry Brown, aged 38 years, 4 months and 16 days. She was a faithful wife, an affectionate mother, and a constant member of the Reform church.