

Advertisements containing important news, unless sent from any part of the county. No communications received unless accompanied by the real name of the writer.

Local Department.

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

—The fourth of July comes on Sunday.

—The season is fully two weeks in advance of last.

—The new hose house in Clearfield will cost \$2,710.

—“Do you really think that chain’s worth a dollar?”

—The Williamsport Mikado company will play in Renovo on the 17th.

—As the rays of the sun grows hotter, politics gets a corresponding ray.

—Williamsport has a building boom of no small pretensions this spring.

—Cleve Dinges, of Centre Hall, is organizing another excursion to the West.

—The bicyclist is enjoying his exercise in the true sense of the term at present.

—The great railroad strike is at an end. Practically it was ended two weeks ago.

—There is some talk of building a railroad to the Bear Meadows. It is only talk though.

—The Sons of Veterans of Lock Haven will hold a reunion the 17th of May, in that city.

—Mahaffey is the name of another new town in Clearfield county, that gives promise of soon becoming a large place.

—During the past few days quite a number of Italians arrived in town, and are now at work on the Buffalo Run railroad.

—Perry Stover, of Coburn, who has been absent for several years from this county, has returned. Perry may stay and he may not.

—That Lock Haven will have a nail mill in the near future is a foregone conclusion as the required amount of capital has already been subscribed.

—The Clearfield strikers are receiving car loads of provisions from their brethren and the prospects are good for continued supplies for months to come.

—Rev. George Green, who has been filling the pulpit, in the St. Johns Episcopal church, during Rev. Robinsons absence, departed for his home in New York, on Saturday.

—West Bishop street presents quite a dilapidated appearance at present caused by the building of a new sewer. The work will probably be completed during the coming week.

—A fake selling jewelry on the diamond Tuesday night “took in” a number of the unsuspecting ones by selling several articles of jewelry for one dollar that in reality was not worth twenty cents.

—Rev. Chas. Steck has had a number of calls from a distance to deliver a memorial address, on Decoration Day, but as he had already accepted an invitation from the Unionville Post, he could not accept any other.

—The Gypsies’ camp below Milesburg was visited on Sunday by a lot of young people. The gypsies no doubt returned the call on Monday, as we noticed about a dozen women parading the streets in different parts of town.

—Dr. Hafer has added a partition to his office and a few other improvements which not only add to the appearance but to the convenience of his office, and he can always be found at his post ready to fill a tooth, extract one, or contract to make one.

—We are in receipt of the Aurora Springs Messenger published at the above named place by J. T. Mounts. We do not know whether he is Centre county boy or not, but rather think he was at one time. He gets up a very newsworthy paper at his rate.

—The 33rd annual session of the Susquehanna Dental Association will be held at the Fallon House in Lock Haven, on Wednesday and Thursday the 12th and 13th inst. An address will be delivered by the president of the association, Mr. J. S. Veisler, of Danville. Essays will be read by different members, among whom we notice the name of Dr. Rhone, of this place. Subjects relating to Dentistry will be discussed.

—On Monday evening while George Lase was driving down Lamb street near Garbrick Hale & Co’s, grist mill, his ponies became frightened and ran down the railroad until they attempted to cross the small bridge near where the Buffalo Run road intersects the Bald Eagle, when one horse fell between the ties and the other into the creek, the 8:55 p. m. train was due at that time, but was flagged by a light and the horse gotten off the track. Fortunately the driver and horses were not injured, but the narrow escape should be a warning to George.

—Judge Rice of Luzern county granted over 600 licenses in that county. Every house must be a hotel or a saloon down there.

—The little two year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hile of Coleville, died on Tuesday morning. The funeral occurred on Wednesday.

—The citizens of Lock Haven are thoroughly disgusted with the street parades indulged in by the Salvationists and have ordered them to desist.

—Theo. Deschner has reopened his gunsmith shop in the store room next to Lyon & Co’s, where he can be found with a full line of goods pertaining to his trade.

—Mr. Stewart, brother of Dr. Stewart of Snow Shoe, died on Tuesday night, after a lingering illness. He was pretty well up in age, being 76 years old. The funeral will occur on Friday, at Snow shoe.

—A store operated by the miners in Houtzdale, and where provisions and the necessities of life are distributed to the poor and deserving miner, has the following sign above the door: “Anti-Pluck-me Store.”

—Many men say they are too poor to subscribe for a county paper. The local paper costs you but 3 cents per week, and many men will spend more than that amount for cigars or drop it into the collection basket.

—Wm. R. Ludwig of this place, received the sad intelligence of the death of his sister, which occurred at her home in Wernersville, near Reading, on Sunday last. Mr. Ludwig departed on Monday morning for the above place to attend the funeral.

—Mr. Herman Robb has opened a boot and shoe repairing shop, on Bishop street, where he will be pleased to meet his many friends and acquaintances. He makes new work a specialty. Mr. Robb is a first class shoemaker, and never fails to give satisfaction.

—A musical and literary entertainment, for the benefit of the Lutheran church, will be given on the evening of the 20th inst., and it is hoped that it will be as liberally attended as the one recently given in Humes Hall. It will be gotten up by home talent and will be fully as good as if persons from a distance were engaged.

—The mysterious and unaccountable fires that occur on well insured property out in the country, would bear a little examination into the cause of the same, by insurance agents. It no doubt would save the companies a few hundred dollars. A store recently insured for several thousand dollars contained about \$700 worth of goods.

—The members of the Washington society at State College are making preparations to produce a drama entitled “The White Pilgrim.” The play will be brought forth in grand style on the 21st of May, and if they meet with financial success there, and sufficient encouragement here, they will produce it in Humes Hall shortly after that date.

—A fine, handsome granite monument which is to mark the resting place of Mr. Absalom Tipton, the well known lumberman of Marsh Creek, can be seen in the marble yard of S. A. Stover on High street. It is another evidence of Mr. Stover’s skill in the marble art. He is turning out work equal to that done in the large cities and at prices that are much more reasonable.

—Hon. A. W. Brumgard of Lock Haven, was admitted to practice law in the several Courts of Centre county this week. Mr. Brumgard ably represented Clinton county in the Legislature last session but declines a re-nomination. “Few die and none resign” but our friend from Clinton positively declines Clinton had better re-elect her present member *volens volens*. He is a real live curiosity in the shape of a man who has once held office and desires to retire.

—The Annual Commencement exercises of the Bellefonte High school, will take place on Thursday afternoon and evening May 6th in Humes’ Hall. The graduating exercises will occur in the afternoon. In the evening Dr. Higbee will deliver an address before the graduates, excellent music will be furnished by the Bellefonte Orchestra. The following named young gentlemen are the candidates for graduation: Howard Harvey, Andrew Howley, Walter Lembeck, Geo. R. Meek, Jno. D. McCarty and Hugh Taylor. The exercises will be quite interesting during both afternoon and evening, and should be attended by all who can.

—The Altoona Times one of the most reliable dailies in the central part of the state, occasionally is imposed upon by gratuitous reporters and does injustice, unintentionally it is true, to worthy people. This was the case in the article in the Times of last week when it accused Sheriff Walker of conduct unbecoming an officer. We have it from good authority that the scenes described in that paper as taking place in a certain hotel, are purely imaginary, and the creations of a diseased imagination at that. We hope our able and always well disposed contemporary will correct itself and do justice to a good and faithful officer.

Installation Ceremonies Knights Templar.

On Thursday evening April 29th three hundred guests occupied chairs in Army Hall, to witness the beautiful, and impressive ceremonies of the installation of the new officers of Constans Commandery, Knights Templar.

It is only on rare occasions that the Bellefonte public has witnessed these ceremonies, and that of last Thursday eclipsed anything of the kind ever witnessed here for brilliancy and enjoyability. The courteous attentions of the Knights to their guests could not possibly have been excelled by their ancestors of the middle ages, when all that was brave, chivalrous and honorable was embraced in the name Knight and the banquet would have put to shame the feast of Belshazzar. “Bright (electric) lights shone on fair women and brave men.” Shortly after eight o’clock the Altoona orchestra opened with the lively music of the Mikado, and soon fifty Sir Knights marched into the Hall greeted by a hearty round of applause by their guests. The handsome *chapeaus* with their pure white plumes, the elegant swords, belts, gauntlets, and sashes, the military precision with which they filed into the room sent one flying back in imagination to the days of Knight errantry, when every Templar was the champion of the religion of Christ, the protector of the weaker sex and the avenger of the oppressed, when the pilgrim to the Holy land found shelter in their asylums and protection beneath their banners, nothing was wanting to complete the picture of imagination but, the mounted Knight and his Muslem enemy. But in this nineteenth century when the worship of God is according to the dictates of ones conscience and as free as the air we breathe, the origin of Templarism, is to many shrouded in mystery and their brave deeds and great work so entangled in the glittering web of romance, that love poetry, song, and the “splintering of a lance” seem to have been the only business of Sir Knights. The stern realities of men devoted to a great object, the hardship, sickness, starvation and death have passed away, and over all has the troubadour thrown the charming mantle of song. Though more than eight hundred years have elapsed since Hugh de Payne and his companions in arms devoted their lives to the protection of Pilgrims to the Holy land, the principles which animated them still animate, or should animate their descendants. That there is a sectless religion, founded on the Divinity of Christ, his crucifixion and resurrection, was firmly impressed on the visitors by the beautiful and solemn ceremony of installation.

After the entrance of the Knights an escort or guard of honor, escorted the eminent Commander elect, Sir Frank P. Blair to the Hall. This was the signal for a round of applause. The guard advanced down the main aisle until the head of the column stood at the foot of the platform where sat the retiring eminent Commander Sir D. H. Hastings and the installing officers Sir J. L. Spangler Generalissimo, Sir L. T. Munson, Captain General, and Sir D. S. Monroe Prelate. At the command of Sir Harry Hale the column opened ranks and through the arch of steel Eminent Commander Sir F. P. Blair passed un-uniformed and with bared head. At the foot of the altar he knelt and took the vows peculiar to the services, the Knights kneeling. After the installation the Eminent Commander was invested with the insignia of his rank and armed *cap-a-pie*. Sir D. H. Hastings then delivered the charge to Eminent Commander; after this came the proclamation by the Warder Sir Harry Hale which was antique. “Hear ye! Hear ye! Hear ye! Valiant Sir Knights of the Temple, I am directed to proclaim, and do proclaim, that Sir Frank P. Blair has been regularly installed as Eminent Commander of Constans Commandery No. 33, and as such will be respected accordingly. This proclamation is made to the North, and to the South, to the West and the East. All true and courteous Sir Knights will take due notice thereof, and conduct themselves accordingly. Then followed the installation of Generalissimo Sir A. S. R. Richards, Captain General Sir W. Fred Reynolds, Prelate, J. L. Seibert, S. Warde, H. S. Hale, J. Warder, I. N. Gordon, Warder, W. I. Fleming.

The following are the appointed officers: Standard Bearer Robert R. Fleming; 2d Guard Jno. R. Bartruff; 3rd Guard D. B. Bell; Sentinel W. S. Phillips.

Dr. Monroe then delivered an address which was one of the most scholarly productions we have listened to for a long time. He traced the origin of the order of Knights Templar from Hugh de Payne in one thousand forty-three, and reviewed its work, and its hardships, showed its wonderful growth and the grand principals underlying it, in many phrases, mysterious and unintelligible to the general public yet adding to the beauty of his

address, he doubtless referred to the secret workings of his order. The address was voted a literary treat by those present.

The following letters from President Cleveland and Governor Pattison were then read:

After the address and music by the orchestra, the guests were tendered a reception in the Asylum, by the Knights. The Asylum is a large elegantly furnished room, and held the three hundred people who laughed, chatted, promenaded and made love (that is the boys and girls did), very comfortably. Here the social qualities of the Knights were exercised for the entertainment of their guests, and every body was made to feel at home. The orchestra enlivened things with its choicest selections, and all went merry as marriage bell.

THE BANQUET.

From the Asylum the guests were led to the banquet Hall where five tables reaching the entire length of the room, were groaning beneath the burden of choice eatables. Three hundred people sat down to the feast and the tables were soon relieved of their loads. After the banquet, those who desired to dance adjourned to the Asylum, and to the delicious strains of the Mikado “tripped the light fantastic toe” till “dewy morn.” There were some things not down on the programme that are worthy of note; among those that pleased the audience most was the presentation to the retiring Eminent Commander, Sir D. H. Hastings, on behalf of Constans Commandery of a beautiful Knights Templar badge. The presentation speech was made by J. L. Spangler and was one of his happiest efforts. It was a complete surprise to everybody as the audience thought it a part of the ceremonies, and Hastings thought Jack was trying to get off a little speech. The Colonel turned red and white, and was evidently uncomfortable for a time. When Jack handed the badge “Richard was himself again” and replied in a very neat speech. Altogether the occasion was one of the most enjoyable in many years, and was a real treat to the guests present. The toilet of many of the ladies was exquisite and all were dressed with that refinement of taste known only to Bellefonte ladies. (This is taffy and it’s the best we have in the shop, please accept it, no thanks.)

EXECUTIVE MANSION.

WASHINGTON, April 24, 1886. L. T. MUNSON, Esq., Chairman, etc.

Dear Sir:—I have received an invitation to be present on the 29th inst. at the installation of the officers of Constans Commandery, No. 33 Knights Templar, stationed at Bellefonte, Pa.

While appreciating fully the kind thoughtfulness which prompted the invitation, I regret that I am not able to accept the same. Yours truly,

GROVER CLEVELAND.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR. HARRISBURG, April 24, 1886. SIR J. L. SPANGLER, of Reception Committee, Constans Commandery.

I am in receipt of cards of invitation to the installation exercises, and reception by your Commandery Knights Templar on Thursday the 29 of April.

It would please me to attend and meet the Knights on that occasion, but a press of duties here at the close of the month will prevent. Thanking your committee for this courtesy I am and your

Ever obedient servant,

ROBERT E. PATTISON.

Dr. J. L. Seibert, Jno. C. Miller and L. T. Munson, of the general committee and their sub-committees labored earnestly to make a success of the installation and their hopes were fully realized.

Too much credit cannot be given to the Knights for the brilliant success of the installation. It was an occasion long to be remembered.

—Jacobs Bros.’ bakery and confectionary, on Bishop street, presents a neat and attractive appearance, and the proprietors are meeting with flattering success. Besides making the very best kind of bread, pies, cakes, cream puffs, coffee rolls, biscuits, etc., they manufacture candies of all kinds, and of a quality not to be surpassed in any of the larger cities. At their ice cream opening Saturday evening last, their Palace parlor was thronged from six until eleven o’clock, by people who enjoyed their delicious cream and strawberries. Their parlor is handsomely fitted up with Bressels carpet, beautiful lace curtains, large mirrors, comfortable chairs, and tables enough to accommodate thirty couples. On Saturday evening next, seven flavors will be served. The Messrs. Jacobs are gentlemanly, courteous, and have excellent business qualifications, and we are glad to see them meet with the success so heartily accorded them. Don’t forget the place, No. 10 West Bishop street.

Personal.

S. M. Buck is a juror this week. Mr. Condon, of Judge Daan’s district, is reporting the court proceedings this week.

Lulu Hoy, the bright little daughter of Dr. H. K. Hoy, is spending a few days in town the guest of Katie Swavelly.

John McCloskey, Esq., was in town on Tuesday. John is one of the prominent citizens of Curia township.

—COURT PROCEEDINGS.—The following cases were disposed of since our last report. Hoover Hughs & Co., vs. Henry Stephens; Plaintiff suffers non suit. Thos. Meyers vs. Uriah Stover; judgment confessed in favor of Plaintiff for \$65.49. Geo. R. Danenbower vs. S. C. McAllister; judgment in favor of Plaintiff for \$190.50. Barnes Safe & Lock Co., vs. Gordon & Landis; judgment in favor of plaintiff for \$34.43. A. S. Hill vs. Same; judgment in favor of plaintiff for \$54.95. Florence Machine Co., vs. Same; judgment in favor of plaintiff \$295.92. Hoosier Drill Co., vs. Same; judgment in favor of plaintiff \$141.34, and another for \$230.90. Sarah Meyers vs. J. Spiglemeyer, continued. J. H. Sands vs. M. L. McBride, plaintiff suffers non suit. Philip Keller vs. J. A. Beaver et al; continued on account of being special. Jos. vs. Henry Benner et al, continued. Louis Leigley vs. Polly A. Leigly non suit. A. E. Price vs. T. A. Dunkle, settled.

B. F. Leathers & Son, vs. Lebanon Mutual Ins. Co.; verdict for plaintiff, \$1123.98. A. B. McNitt vs. Geo. Krapp; verdict for defendant. Millheim Banking Co. vs. Smith & Co.; Compulsory non suit. M. D. Snyder vs. Carnagie Bro. & Co.; continued. John Heise vs. E. Graham & Son, et al; verdict for defendant. Singer Manufacturing Co. vs. Jacob Rhinefelt; settled. Lydia Keller vs. Samuel Keller’s administrator, et al; verdict for plaintiff \$3098.18. E. L. Moore vs. Daniel Horner; judgment for plaintiff \$125.00. James Reagan vs. J. C. McGahay; verdict for plaintiff \$1190. Jacob Stover vs. S. K. Foust; settled. F. X. Lehman vs. P. J. Fagban, et al. out on arbitration. Midland Mining Co. vs. Lehigh Coal Co.; continued. Josiah Neff’s executive vs. Jno. Grove; verdict for plaintiff \$969.77. Geo. S. Keller vs. Jacob Houser; continued. Alexander Lichten vs. C. Lyon & Co.; settled. S. H. Youm vs. J. W. Cook; judgement confess for plaintiff. J. H. Neidigh vs. B. Kori; continued. Ernest Reese et ux. vs. J. N. Ebaugh et al. judgement entered for one-half of the land described in the writ.

—At about twelve o’clock last Wednesday night fire was discovered in the blacksmith shop belonging to Enoch Hugg at Fillmore, and in a few minutes the building was a mass of flames. The citizens of that vicinity immediately turned out but were unable to render any assistance, and the flames communicated to the large dwelling adjoining the shop, it too being burned to the ground. The buildings were unoccupied, Mr. Hugg having moved to Marsh Creek April 1st. The fire is supposed to be of incendiary origin.

—Frank Reese, D. L. Mowery and George Reese were the principles in the disgraceful suit brought against Miss Alice Heaton. The reputation of this gang is not unquestionable as the county records show, and while they were trying to shoulder the guilt of some other individual perhaps not entire strangers to them, upon this innocent young lady they have only opened up the way for a closer investigation of the crime which may startle them perhaps more than others.

—Mr. John Klepper, while attending a social dance at the residence of his brother in Bush’s Addition, last week, in some manner was tripped and became entangled in a chair. Others who were enjoying the dance, and who were close behind him and unable to avoid a collision, fell upon Mr. Klepper, breaking his right leg below the knee. The young man had secured employment at Pittsburg whither he intended going last week, but this unfortunate accident will undoubtedly lay him up for several weeks to come.

—Our friend in Centre Hall, S. W. Smith, is putting “Dr. Smith’s Salve” on the market. Having had a personal acquaintance with Dr. Smith and a trial of his remedy, our patrons need not fear purchasing. Dr. Smith was one of Centre’s most successful physicians and his popularity was mainly due to this wonderful ointment.

—Philip Collins has become the owner of the Yocum farm adjoining town, and will become a citizen of Bellefonte. We welcome such enterprising men as Mr. Collins to citizenship and feel that another element of progress has been added to our town.

—Little Raymond Wright, son of Rev. W. O. Wright of Milesburg, took an involuntary bath in the cool waters of Spring Creek one day last week, and but for the bravery of his sister, Mary who fished the little fellow out, might have been drowned.

—This week we call your attention to the gas and vapor stoves at McParlands Hardware store. These stoves are extensively used in the West and are just being introduced here. At a glance you will see how convenient they are, and that they will completely revolutionize the cooking business in the old way. We advise all to go and see them.

—Mill Hall, Clinton county is trying to organize a board of trade.

—At the last meeting of Gregg Post, No. 95, D. of Pa., G. A. R. the following were unanimously adopted:

Resolved: That we, comrades of the G. A. R., having out lived the terrible cause which has made us an organization and a brotherhood, now look back upon the great Civil War, dividing the north from the south, brother from brother, and friend from friend, feeling no doubt as we reflect that good friends now fill the ranks where once stood foes: therefore

Resolved: That we are unqualifiedly pleased for a present from our Southern Brother, Mr. W. R. Teller, of a group in photograph containing 97 likenesses of distinguished ex-Confederate Soldiers, which shall be given an honored place on the walls of our Post Room: therefore again

Resolved: Since we look upon them, these old faces, familiar to the battle scene and glorious in war, call out the warmest impulse and highest esteem and seem to have broken away the old line of battle and to impel us to greet them as though in the life, and give them the welcome of comrades here.

Adopted and approved.

JOUS NOLL,

Commander.

Committee on Resolutions.

Resolution of thanks were also offered and passed upon our fellow townsman and friend Mr. Jas. Milliken for the gift to our Post of a copy of the “Hancock Memorial,” quite a valuable addition to our somewhat modest library. We feel as a Post of the G. A. R., much gratified at receiving appropriate gifts from our citizens, of relics, maps, books etc., the care and preservation of which shall be our duty.

Adopted and approved.

JOHN NOLL,

Commander.

Committee on Resolutions.

Only eighteen licenses were granted out of the forty-one applied for. They were disposed of on last Thursday morning, as follows:

GRANTED.

Bellefonte—Cummings House, Garman House, Brockerhoff House, and Bush House.

Philipsburg—Messrs. Ashcroft, Row, McOmber, Passmore, and Parker.

Milesburg—Alois Kohlbecker.

Snow Shoe—Edward Nolan and John Uzzel.

Old Fort—John H. Odenkirk.

Centre Hall—D. J. Meyer.

Howard—J. W. Newson.

Spring Mills—H. G. Shaffer.

Nittany—Henry Robb.

Moshannon—Boston Viehdorfer.

The applications of Joseph Kleckner, of Penn township, and William S. Musser of Millheim, were held over until June.

REFUSED.

Bellefonte—Edward A. Brown, hotel, and John Anderson, saloon.

Eagleville—Robert S. Goshorn, hotel, and James I. DeLong, hotel.

Syring Mills—John H. Bibby, hotel.

Haines Township—Andrew Immel, hotel.

Millheim—William G. Rook, hotel.

Philipsburg—C. A. Faulkner, Robert Taylor, Thomas Welton, John Ramsdale, John West.

Spring Township—Gottlieb Haag.

Potter Township—D. H. Ruhl.

Pine Grove—James A. Livingston.

Rush Township—Jeffrey Hayes.

Snow Shoe—Henry J. Walker, Wm. T. Ardrey, James Reading.

Miles Township—T. F. Meyer.

Rush Township—A. S. Goodrich.

—The following amusing incident occurred in one of the Sunday schools at Rebersburg recently, which is too good to be lost. There had just been taken up the usual collection for Missionary purposes, and the Superintendent desiring that all should know what was to become of the money so collected, had been addressing the school on the subject, “and now” said he “can any boy or girl tell me what a Missionary is.” Instantly one little hand was raised, it was that of a little boy. “I know” said he, “very well,” said the Superintendent “if you know tell us what a Missionary is. “Why” said the little fellow “it is a man wet buy skunk scalps. John Wolf is one.” The answer caused the audience to smile audibly. The boy had evidently got the words Commissioner and Missionary, some what mixed.

—List of unclaimed letters remaining in the Post Office at Bellefonte, Centre county Pa., May 3rd 1886.

Rev. J. A. Bight 2; Mrs. John Conigh; W. I. Hicks; Mrs. Louisa B. Houser; Mrs. Chas. Kline; Mrs. A. K. Kline; J. G. Kessler; Minnie C. Reese; Tho. A. Long; Miss Maggie Moore; Miss Harriet Miller; Wm. P. Mallory; Miss Jennie L. Miller; Miss Sallie Milchal; A. N. Miller; Lizzie Peart; Miss Sadie S. Reese; O. C. Richards; Miss Gertie Rider; E. Schneff; Adam Vonsda; Miss Jennie Willer.

Persons inquiring for letters in the above list will please say they are advertised.

JAS. H. DOBBS, P. M.