

RESPONSES TO IMPORTANT NEWS, social and political, are invited. No communications should be sent to the printer's name of the office.

Local Department.

—Summer is on the home stretch. —Adams Express Company have a new wagon. —B. J. LaPort of Philipsburg, was in town this week. —Court is in session this week and is quite lively attended. —Work at the Phoenix Planing mill is booming at present. —The curio market is largely attended at this season of the year. —W. S. Musser of Millheim, attended court the early part of the week. —Jas. Murbey of Renova, was in town the early part of the week. —Hot cholera is getting away with the York county hogs by the hundreds. —The Senior editor of this paper is still confined to the house with a siege of illness. —J. N. Hall of Beech Creek, was among the registered guests at the Bush House. —Mr. Wm. Piper of Walker, chalked down his name for the DEMOCRAT the early part of the week. —As court proceedings are lengthy and interesting we will not give them in part this issue, but in full in our next. —County Superintendent Rev. D. M. Wolf, is busily engaged in holding examinations throughout the county. —Foreign criminals, the Anarchists, do not seem to fully understand the American idea of free government. —State Chairman Hensel has sold his interest in the Lancaster Intelligencer to the managing editor and business manager of said paper. —A terrific explosion occurred in the mines at Lykens, Pa., on Monday, in which fourteen persons were badly burned, four probably fatally. —There was a 40ct. suit in court this week, but the boys found out that before the thing was over, forty dollars would not cover the cost. —A new post office has been established at what is known as Walker settlement, on upper Marsh Creek. Mr. Enoch Hugg is post-master. —Wm. Hipple, one of the good Democratic subscribers of this paper, who always keeps his subscription paid in advance was in town on Tuesday. —Mr. Jas. Milliken we understand had his hand severely bitten by a cat, while trying to defend the aforesaid catship, from the tyrannical tug of a dog. This was quite a cat-atrocity. —Rev. Beech of Baltimore will conduct the afternoon exercises in the Y. M. C. A. on next Sabbath. All are cordially invited to be present as this will be Rev. Beech's farewell address. —We extend thanks to the ladies of the U. B. Church festival for the kind courtesies extended to Joe Furey, Tuten, Bailly, and myself. Their festival was largely attended, and they realized a very nice profit. —At the Democratic county Convention in Union county on Monday J. B. Baker one of the bright legal lights of that county was nominated by acclamation for congress with power to appoint his own conferees. —If Senator Wallace should determine to run for Congress in the Clearfield District he would have the cordial support of nearly every Democrat in the State, though those out of the district couldn't do more than wish him well. —Holidaysburg Standard. —The Chicago Anarchists and bomb throwers in the Hay Market riots, have been tried and convicted of murder in the first degree, excepting one, and he gets 15 years in the penitentiary. This sentence is a bomb thrown into their own camp. —The Apollo Ranges and New Regulator Cook Stoves sold at McFarlane's hardware store are decided novelties in that line. No other ranges or stoves are equal to them and they are cheaper than others, as they require less fuel. Warranted in all respects. —The 22 annual exhibition of the Pennsylvania State Fair opens in Philadelphia corner Broad and Lehigh ave. on the 1st of September and closes on the 18th. The fair promises to be of unusual interest this year, and every effort is being made to make it a grand success, all entries close on Saturday the 25th inst. The building has been put in excellent repair. —A very distressing accident occurred near Hublersburg on last Saturday, which resulted in the death of Ella Decker the nine year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Decker. She was assisting her mother to singe a chicken, when her clothing caught fire and before they could be extinguished the poor little girl was burned to a crisp, and death soon relieved the little sufferer. The funeral occurred on Tuesday forenoon.

IN MEMORIAM—At a meeting of the Centre County Bar Association held on Tuesday evening at 7:30, p. m., the following report was read and adopted. Eulogies upon the life and character of this noble young man were pronounced by the different members. In submitting the report of the committee appointed to prepare resolutions upon the death of S. Durbin Gray, Esq., Mr. Keller (Chairman) said, the committee appointed have discharged the duty involved upon them by the Bar Association and Colonel Hastings will read the report. Col. Hastings: Mr. Chairman and members of the Bar Association, Representing and on behalf of the committee appointed by the members of the Bar to report resolutions commemorating the death of our dear brother, I feel that my poor voice may add but little fervor to the solemnity or solemn impulses that may be awakened by this meeting. In the year of 1867 I came to this town a boy and a stranger, and among the first two gentlemen that I had the pleasure of becoming acquainted with were two members of the bar. The one I became most intimately acquainted with and for a number of years we associated ourselves together at the same hotel, ate at the same table and slept in the same room. Fortuitous circumstance called him to an untimely death, and this bar was called together in similar capacity to give expressions of love and esteem and respect and honor to George M. Yocum. The other is he who to night sleeps in his coffin. I knew him intimately and well, for more than four years we sat at the same table and occupied the same hotel apartments, we were as intimate as brothers, and with the exception perhaps of my brother Love I may say that I enjoyed his confidence and knew him as well as any member of this bar. I knew him as the members of this bar have always known him to be a modest, retiring, honest, upright and truthful gentleman. As his Hon. Judge Furst said at the meeting when this Court adjourned upon hearing the news of his death. I never knew him to misrepresent the truth; I never knew him to take advantage of any one under any circumstances; I never knew him in the heat of a law suit, in the discussion and disputes that are always incident to the practice of law to wilfully, in fact I never knew him at all to misrepresent the truth, or endeavor or even seem to endeavor to take the least advantage of his adversary. I knew him as a christian gentleman, and I do not believe that there ever was a member of this bar or a citizen of this town who was more faithful and more ready and more devoted in his attendance upon the means of grace, than he in whose memory we assemble here to night. It is true that for the last year we have seen but little of him and the last that we knew of him especially as a member of the bar, was the time when he led his bride to the altar. None of us have seen much of him since. Shortly after that time the disease that had long before fastened upon him had developed so that it was necessary to undergo a painful and dangerous operation in the surgeons hands, and he grew from bad to worse until yesterday it was announced to us that his life had departed. The members of this committee, Mr. Chairman, have performed their sad duty, and they present now to the members of the bar the following minute commemorative of the life of Samuel Durbin Gray as we knew him. Mr. Chairman, the report is as follows. DEATH OF S. D. GRAY.—Samuel Durbin Gray departed this life on Monday, August 23rd, 1886, at the residence of his father-in-law, Rev. Wm. Laurie, D. D., in Bellefonte. He was born in Patton township, Centre county, on the 11th of October, 1843, and at the time of his death was 42 years, 10 months and 12 days old. His father, Samuel P. Gray of Patton township, his mother, one brother—Rev. G. T. Gray, and a sister—Mrs. Caleb Kephart of Filmore, survive him. It may not be improper to say, (although of the living) that the subject of this sketch spent his childhood and youth in the midst of christian influences, where every parental instruction, impulse and example was of the sturdiest honesty and humblest piety. His early life was spent on his father's farm and while there one year with him followed another with no variation. He was never a robust boy, and although always willing was not always able to take a full hand's share in the field. In winter season he attended the public school where the foundations of his education were laid. In 1861 he entered the Academy at Pine Grove Mills, Centre county, where he remained some two years. He then entered Dickinson Seminary at Williamsport, Pa., where he completed his education. In 1865 he entered the law office of Hon. A. O. Furst, now president Judge, as a student at law, and was admitted to the bar April 29, '67. He immediately commenced the practice of his profession in the office of his preceptor, and continued to do so down to the time of the commencement of his fatal illness. As a lawyer he was studious, painstaking and conscientious, and practiced his profession with the highest sense of honor toward his brethren at the bar, and with the greatest fidelity to his clients and the court. He was eminently fair, honorable and frank in all his business and social relations. His word was equal to his written obligation and the quality of either was never questioned. In his social relations he was always the courteous and dignified gentleman, the sympathetic and interesting companion,

the faithful friend—careful of the feelings of others, he was never known to speak discourteously or harshly of any one, while he was always ready to extend a helping hand and invoke that charity which sufficeth long. He won and for many years enjoyed the fullest confidence of the community in which he lived and died. He filled many positions of trust and confidence, and they were sacredly held and maintained. For over four years he filled the office of Borough Treasurer, and the last three years he was successfully elected without opposition from any political party. In the church he was one of the greater degree than in any other walk in life, his bright character, his gentle and kind disposition, and his well-grounded faith in the christian religion. He was regular, faithful and enthusiastic in his attendance upon, and in the performance of his religious duties. For thirty years he was a member of the M. E. Church, and for seven years was superintendent of the Sunday School of that church of Bellefonte, only giving up the latter position when compelled to do so by the disease which eventually terminated his life. On the 16th day of December, 1885, he was united in marriage to Miss Mary Laurie, daughter of Rev. Wm. Laurie, D. D. For almost a year past his health continued to fail. He had been a quiet, patient sufferer from cancer for a much longer time. He knew that death's approach was measured only by the steady, unrelenting growth of his disease, but he was patient, confident, trustful, and he entered the valley of the shadow of death in the full assurance of a blessed life beyond. He has left an example in his life and character worthy of emulation, and they who sorrow with us for his loss, may, with us, take comfort in the thought that he lived not in vain. In his death we recognize the loss of one of the most faithful and honorable members of the bar, one of the most useful and upright citizens of the community, a faithful husband, kind brother and most dutiful son. To the bereaved relatives and friends of the deceased, we tender our sincerest condolence and sympathy, and as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, we suggest that the bar attend his funeral in a body and wear the usual badge of mourning for a period of thirty days. D. S. KELLER, C. M. BOWEN, J. W. GERHART, D. H. HASTINGS, JNO. G. LOVE, Committee. Remarks of J. G. Love, Esq., Mr. Chairman, in arising to second the adoption of the resolutions of the committee, I do so with some degree of feeling as the subject of the resolutions was a person with whom probably I was more intimately acquainted than with any other member of the bar. I have known him from his early boyhood, his childhood, in fact all through his life down to his decease. We had when boys carried water and gathered sheaves together on the farm. For some years afterward when he had gone to the Academy at Pine Grove I saw but little of him, but when he resumed his studies at Dickinson Seminary in Williamsport he and I were there together as chums, as room-mates. After we had quit that institution we came to Bellefonte and were students at law together and at the same time were also room-mates, and have been intimately associated together ever since. He had probably but few confidential friends, in fact comparatively few whom he made his confidants and without attributing to myself any special honor in this respect he probably confided in me many of his little difficulties and secrets as fully as that of anybody else. In all my acquaintance with him I have known him to be a perfectly true and reliable man. I never knew him to seek to take advantage of any confidence reposed in him, or take advantage of any person in any business transaction or in the practice of his profession. He practiced his profession with the keenest sense of high honor and with perfect fidelity to all interested and especially to the court. In that particular I think he has left an example worthy of the emulation of us all. He was a man of exceedingly pure mind, conscientious in relation to every duty that devolved upon him, and as a citizen and an exemplary christian man he was exceedingly faithful in the discharge of his duty, not only to man but towards his God. His influence by his walk and conversation and example, had a healthful effect upon all of those who knew him and upon all those who came with in the circle of his acquaintance. It seems to me somewhat surprising, but it is one of the great mysteries beyond our ken to investigate and answer satisfactorily, why a man so full of promise and usefulness, why a man so exemplary in his conduct, why a man whose life in the community in which he lived exercised so healthful an influence for good in every direction should be stricken down in the prime of life, should be called upon to undergo the extreme suffering that he has endured in the past year, but in the presence of this great mysterious question we can do no more than to humbly bow to divine power and wisdom that doeth all things well, and is the source of all good, and all life. The circumstances of his death and everything surrounding it probably is more sad and accompanied with more feelings of sorrow than that of any other member of the bar, in whose honor we have met to pay our tribute of respect to their memory. Married but recently and stricken down at once with the fatal disease, the prospects of a happy life and bright future blasted

in the bud. I think the resolution which have been submitted by the committee can be heartily endorsed by every member of the bar. When we say that he was a faithful, honest, upright man, conscientious in the discharge of every duty, faithful to himself faithful to his client, faithful to the community in which he lived, faithful to the discharge of every trust reposed in him and faithful in his duty towards his God, we pay the highest tribute we can to his memory. J. L. Spangler, Esq., spoke as follows: Mr. Chairman, and Members of the Bar Association, I desire to pay my little testimony of respect and esteem to the deceased in whose honor we have met to-night. In 1868 I came as a boy to Bellefonte, just past the age of 21 and applied at the doors of an order, whose antiquity is as old as the governments of the world. The first man that I met at the threshold of that institution, was Durbin Gray. He took me by the hand and welcomed me to the society of that order, and from the first step that I made to the last, he was the faithful, honest and sincere friend to me in that institution. I may be pardoned probably for bringing the institution in connection with my remarks at this time, but it is one thing that has not yet been said about Durbin Gray. It may be proper to say it elsewhere, but I am sure it is not improper to allude to it in a meeting of this sort. He was just as faithful, just as sincere, just as reliable in his services to that institution as he was to the profession of the law or the principals of his church, and from the fact that he has left no request that he be buried by the ceremonies of that order he loved so much, and for which he did so much, is another striking evidence of his absolute faith in christ. He desires to be buried as he lived, modestly, and by the simple rites and ceremonies of the church in which he worshipped. I desire to bear my testimony to his modesty, and it was probably his weakness that he did not push himself as others have done who are juniors to him. He did not seek clientage and business like others have done, but with that peculiar modesty coyness and shyness he attended to what little business came in his way and did it faithfully and did it well. Another characteristic about him, was his absolute sincerity in everything he did. It has already been spoken of by those who preceded me. His absolute truthfulness and carefulness and conscientiousness and kind and courteous manner towards everybody were characteristic toward him, and I doubt if a member of this bar can think of a single word or a single act that he ever did in his twenty years of practice that leaves a regret or sting behind him. His integrity is well known by all who knew him, and although he was not as successful as a lawyer as some of you, and though he has achieved no fame and although he has not accumulated an ample fortune, I am sure there is no single member of this bar here to night when death shall meet him as it did Durbin Gray who would not willingly exchange all he has accomplished for fame, for wealth, or social position for that absolute faith, and wonderful example of piety which has characterized the life of the deceased. In this, his passing away he probably exceeds every one of us, and after all that is the thing that counts with him, he is perfectly and absolutely safe and the sense of feeling upon the members of this bar at this moment is that he was as nearly a perfect man as there is one amongst our number. I heartily and sincerely second the resolutions which have been proposed. Hon. A. O. Furst: Mr. Chairman, and members of the Bar of Centre Co.: I may possibly be pardoned for again rising to speak of Mr. Gray, because of that intimate association which existed between himself and myself for a period of twenty one years. Yesterday when the court adjourned and the Bar Association convened I gave expression to the thoughts that prevailed my mind at the time. I spoke of his character as a friend and lawyer and citizen. I left unsaid anything about his christian deportment, his christian courtesy and his christian benevolence, in all those I think he exhibited to the profession and to society the true elements not only of a man but of a christian man. It is the little things in life that make up the true character. It is the little acts that we do that are unseen by our fellow men that give a real tone to our character. And it was these little acts in the life of Durbin Gray that showed the true metal that existed in his heart, and just as an evidence of that let me state what perhaps is not known to any other member of this bar. As your Hon. knows that for many years it has been the custom of this bar when one of its number entered the matrimonial circle to present some slight memorial, some testimonial to his bride and to himself. Years ago we did it as a compliment to one of the leading members of the pro-

Personal. Mr. Will Pearlstone deputy Recorder, spent Sunday in Lewisburg. Among the pleasant callers at our office this week, was Mr. Fred Hosterman a merchant of Feidler this county. Prof. D. O. Eters wife and baby, arrived home from State College where they have been spending several months. Mr. Andrew Brungard of Rebersburg was in town on Tuesday and spent a few minutes in pleasant conversation in our sanctum. Jno. M. Bittorf late bookkeeper for J. S. Wait & Co., of this place, is now spending a short vacation among friends in Altoona and Crescon. Robert Cole, foreman of Ardell's Planing mill, has been on the sick list for several days past and has been confined to the house a greater part of the time. L. W. Musser of State College, is spending a few days in Moshannon. Luther expects to teach school out in that part of the county the coming winter. Thomas Bradley, who has been visiting his brother, Benj. Bradley and family in this place, returned to his home in New Market, Ontario, Canada, on Monday morning last. That pleasant and affable gentleman Mr. Jackson Gorton of Philipsburg, was in town on Monday. Mr. Gorton was drawn as a juror, but having business in Corning New York State was excused. He is now spending several weeks in the State of New York. Prof. J. W. Heston of State College returned from a trip through the west, a short time since, and spent a week camping in the western part of this state. After so lengthy a vacation he is prepared to return to his professional duties with renewed energy. —The testimony in the case of the DeHass trial this week, was a most astounding outrage. It consisted in the combined attempt of two young men, DeHass and Tipton, to break down the oath of a poor, but beautiful young girl, whom they had seduced and ruined. In this age of advanced civilization it is considered fiendish enough to lead a young woman astray, but no language can convey the detest in which a man is held who will, to escape punishment, resort to perjury and attempt to ruin one's character for truth as well as well as chastity. What seems to be the duty of the commonwealth is to institute action against young Tipton at once. A man who will throw himself open to conviction of a high crime to save a companion from a just penalty and deprive a poor helpless victim of her legal rights, should suffer the full penalty of a violated law. Every one in the large audience at this trial will remember these two young men, and they will ever be held in just ignominy because of the self-imposed brand of infamy which their conduct rewards. —A young gentleman not 25 miles from Bellefonte, and who thinks he has more lady admirers to the square mile than the average young man, purchased some handsome presents, jewelry, etc., and left the better account of his mother to pay for the aforesaid articles. Imagine his chagrin and that of his lady friend, when another member of the family went into the store to collect the full amount of the butter bill and was politely informed that the aforesaid gentleman had drawn the amount in various articles, some of which was readily recognized upon the person of the aforesaid gentleman's best girl. This young libertine who is seldom seen with the same girl twice, should be shamed by ladies and branded as a flint unworthy of their admiration. A very handsome and valuable geological map of Centre county now adorns the commissioners' office. It was presented to the board of commissioners for the use of the county by that most estimable gentleman, Maj. R. H. Foster, a clerk in one of the government departments at Harrisburg. It is the work of Mr. E. V. D'Inville, assistant State Geologist, and shows at a glance the geological features of Centre county. The bituminous coal fields, the valley and limestone lands, the Clinton red shale and ore lands, etc., are all beautifully portrayed and is well worth a careful inspection by any one. The thanks of the citizens of Centre county are due to Maj. Foster for so valuable a gift. —The Postmaster General is introducing for sale at the principal Post offices, "The United States Letter Sheet Envelope," a unique device for correspondence through the mails. It is a combination in one of a letter sheet, envelope and a new postage stamp of the denomination of two cents, bearing the military portrait of General Grant. They will be sold at the rate of twenty three dollars per thousand, in any desired quantities, separately or in packages or pads of 25, 50 or 100 each, or folded in enclosed packages of 25 each, especially adapted for use when traveling.

TURKEYVILLE. Quite a number of our young folks attended the festival at Linden Hall last Saturday evening, and all report a good time. Messrs. N. B. Spangler and S. D. Gettig were home from Coburn last Saturday and Sunday. The Brenner band will hold a festival in Hosterman's grove, September the 10th and 11th. Miss Mary Adams, of Bellefonte, and Miss Sophie Wytke, of Clearfield, are visiting with Miss Cora Kimpfort this week. Miss Wytke is one of the efficient school teachers in Clearfield. Rev. T. J. Frederick, wife and children, of Oriole, Lycoming county, Pa., are visiting with the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bitner, Sr. The Rev. has a four week's vacation. W. A. McClellan and lady, of Madisonburg, visited with the gentleman's father last week. Mr. McClellan is engaged in the mercantile business at that place. Miss Maggie A. Keen, Miss Annie Ruble, S. H. Ditzell and C. W. Swartz, were home from Spring Mills, over Sunday, where they are attending Prof. Hosterman's select school. STATE COLLEGE. —State College village is growing rapidly. Five new buildings are being erected this summer, among which is the large and elegant hotel owned by John Corrisan. This hotel will be ready for use in September, and promises to be a most comfortable house. Fosters move in their new house on Monday next. Mr. Peter Collins returned from Philadelphia the beginning of the week and is busy looking after the interests of his firm. The find of ore on the Struble bank is proving a great success and promises to be valuable. The quality of material is better than at Scotia or Valentines bank and is easily reached. School opens at the College on the 8th of September. The prospects for students reported good. Jacob L. Roup near State College, died at his home on Sunday afternoon from the effects of the injuries received while riding on the construction train, on the Bellefonte & Buffalo Run railroad. Mr. Roup was a consistent member of the German Reformed church, a good citizen, kind and affectionate husband, and father. He leaves a wife and four children, all who have grown up to man and womanhood. The deceased was 77 years old. May he rest in peace. As seed wheat seems to be a very scarce article in some parts of the county some farmers are at a loss to know where they can get good clean seed wheat, all such can be accommodated by calling on D. W. Shivery, three miles west of the College, who has about three hundred bushels of the much needed article, perfectly clean and at a reasonable price. —List of unclaimed letters in the Post office at Bellefonte, Centre county, Pa. Aug. 23rd, 1886. John D. Angeny, Edwin E. Bressler, Mrs. Albie Bond, Harry Cohen, Mrs. Henry Cryder, Mrs. Annie Gaige-Z, Mary E. Grossman, S. B. Hunter, Daniel Kline, Maurice Miller, Mrs. Frank Milkale, John C. Powell, O. B. Rowlett, Mrs. Sarah Robne, Potter Tate, Irven W. Yute, Miss Jennie Warner. Persons inquiring for letters named in the above list will please say advertised. JAS. H. DOBKINS, P. M. —Everyone should have a copy of the Mikado, and as the Mack Publishing Co., 528 Washington street New York, furnishes it complete, with the music of the most popular songs for ten cents, it is within easy reach of all. Ten beautiful chromo cards are sent with it and they are not defaced by having advertisements printed on the pictures. WANTED.—A first class Miller desires a position either on monthly salary or on share, is familiar with all processes, understands butter dressing perfectly, and will guarantee to give satisfaction, good references. For further particulars call at this office or address J. T. M. V. box 56, Milesburg, Pa. 57-1. —NOTICE TO APPEALS.—Notice is hereby given that a special appeal for unseated lands will be held at the Commissioner's office in Bellefonte, on the 7th and 8th days of September, 1886. Bellefonte, Aug. 4th 1886. John Wolf, A. J. Griest, J. C. Henderson, Commissioners. —FOR SALE.—Three Alderly cows, one fresh last month, one will be fresh within ten days, the other now milking. Inquire of C. T. ALEXANDER. —Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Bar of Centre county the second week of Court at August Term was dispensed with, and all jurors drawn and summoned for the second week of said Court, on the 5th Monday of August, are notified not to attend. By order of the Court, W. B. MINGLE, Prothonotary. MARRIED. SHERRY-BENNETT.—At Lewistown, Centre county, Pa., August 19, 1886, by J. B. Welch, Mr. Daniel S. Sherry and Miss Blanch Bennett both of Centre county.