

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

Local Department.

-Subscribe for the DEMOCRAT. -Bring in your holiday locals. -Buttons and gimps.-Garmans. -Congress assembled on Monday. -The butchering season is at hand. -The next cold wave is booked for the 13th. -Christmas three weeks from Saturday. -Skating was freely indulged in by our boys on Monday. -It is a wonder more accidents do not occur from coasting. -Mr. Harry Patton has opened a banking house at Coalport. -The cold snaps materially interfere with the rebuilding of the glass works. -If in need of a good sleigh consult S. A. McQuistion. He makes the very best. -By a fire at Cincinnati on Thursday fifteen families were deprived of homes. -Interesting rhetorical exercises took place at the Bellefonte high school, last Friday. -President Cleveland has had a slight attack of rheumatism. This is no "chestnut." -The Arne Walker dramatic company is again being billed for this section of the State. -S. C. Wilson mayor of Harrisburg, died suddenly on Saturday evening 27, ult., of heart disease. -The Union County Teachers Institute will be held at Millintown the third week in December. -It is said a party of hunters killed a snow-white deer on Cherry Run, this county, several weeks ago. -John T. Calhoun, son of John C. Calhoun, died at his father's residence at Phillipsburg, aged 36 years. -That "squeezing" story the Daily News worked off upon its readers last week is quite an old "chestnut." -Governor Pattison and a party of Harrisburg gentlemen, searched for game in the mountains near Tyrone last week. -James G. Blaine, Jr., has accepted a position as police reporter on the Pittsburgh Times. He began his labors on Monday last. -Mrs. James Brewster of Phillipsburg, committed suicide on Friday last, and attempted to kill her three children by giving them a dose of poison. -Rev. J. A. Ward, pastor of the Methodist church at Ridgway Pa., died at that place on Tuesday 30th ult. He leaves an aged mother, a wife and two small children. -High street seems to be a favorite squatting place, at least we judge so from the number of people who suddenly sit down upon the pavement while descending the hill. -The ministers of Lock Haven hold weekly meetings for the purpose of discussing Scriptural passages and for the benefit that may be derived from such friendly intercourse. -That spicy and well edited paper, the Clearfield Democrat, completed its eighth year last week. May it complete eight times eight years more, and may its editor never grow Short(er). -On Wednesday last Dan Shears, who was sentenced to the Western Penitentiary for one year and six months for horse stealing, was taken to Allegheny by Deputy Dukeman and John Powers, Jr. -Bishop Rulison, who delivered a sermon in the Episcopal church last Friday evening, is a gentleman of high culture, well versed upon religious and other subjects, and spoke effectively to his many hearers. -On account of the partial destruction by fire of the residence of Bishop Rulison at South Bethlehem, the reverend gentleman was compelled to hasten home, thus failing to visit many towns where he was expected. -Hunting parties are numerous, and every other day or two witnesses the departure of some of our Nimrods for the Alleghenies. Deer is said to be not over plentiful, but our experts hardly ever return empty handed. -Two heavy people were noticed in Erhard & Shuey's store on Saturday. They were Mrs. Jos. Ross of Pleasant Gap, and Mr. Noah Musser of Fillmore, and their combined weight was 1/4 of a ton, the former weighing 245 pounds, and the latter 255. -The Kismet Club has been newly officered, as follows: President, Scott Harris; Vice President, H. P. Harris; Secretary, Joe Montgomery; Treasurer, E. F. Cook; Trustees, Harry Bush, Harry Cook, Harry Keller, Harris Mann and Harvey Hile. -Bring unable to secure a minister to fill his pulpit here on Sunday last, Rev. Monroe did not go to Tyrone to preach at the dedication of a new Methodist church there. Dr. Monroe is greatly interested in his protracted meetings and did not deem it advisable to omit even one service.

-Albert Bergner and Miss Annie E. Peters of Beech Creek, were married on Thursday. -Henry M. Stanley, the noted African explorer, has arrived in America and will make a lecturing tour of the United States this winter. -An article received from the W. C. T. U. for publication this week, was unavoidably crowded out of this issue. We will publish the same next week. -Cora Hodgdon, aged 26 years, died at Rochester on Friday night from the effect of eating molasses candy. It is supposed the molasses from which the candy was made was impure. -While engaged at his duties as brakeman on the Beech Creek railroad, Harvey Searson of Boalsburg, received a fracture of his right arm. He was taken to his home where he is doing well. -Scarlet fever prevails at Sugar Creek, Venango county to such an extent that the public schools have been closed, and the ministers have given notice that on and after December 1st, 1886 no more passes will be granted to employes, but that they will be given half rate fare. This change has created considerable excitement among the employes. -Ezra D. Parker, the oldest and most prominent member of the Juniata county bar, and a lawyer of great ability and considerable repute in central Pennsylvania was struck with apoplexy about 8 o'clock Thursday evening, and died Friday morning. He was buried on Monday. -Mr. Geo. F. Miller of Pine Grove Mills gave us a pleasant call on Tuesday Mr. Miller reports that on Monday a week, Samuel and Ike Martz and Clem Fortney, while hunting on the Seven Mountains discovered four large bear in a hole and quickly dispatched them. This was a good days work. -The publishers of the Lock Haven Express, with commendable enterprise issued a double sheet on Saturday last, and will continue to do so every Saturday from now until the holidays. This is done to accommodate the wide awake merchants of that city, who are largely advertising holiday specialties. -A suit that has gained considerable notoriety, and which was first brought several years ago, was finally determined on Wednesday afternoon. Moses Thompson was the plaintiff and The Bell Telephone Co. the defendant. Verdict for plaintiff for \$269.72. The original sum sued for was \$64.00. -Dr. C. M. Bordner has rented the room over Reynolds' bank, and fitted up a first-class dentistry. The doctor was formerly connected with Dr. Bantz and gained many friends. He stands high in his profession, and we hope he may meet with success. He will be ready for business to-day (Thursday). -Blind Tom, the negro musician who gave an entertainment here last October has been declared insane. His mother, Charity Wiggins, has sued Gen. Bethune, who has had Tom in charge for twenty three years for the money realized from concerts given by him in that time, both in this country and in Europe. -The Y. M. C. A. has engaged Gen. Lew Wallace, ex-minister to Russia, and the author of "Ben Hur" to deliver his lecture on "Turkey and the Turks," on Friday, December 31st. The popularity of Gen. Wallace is such that there will be a crowded house, considerably over a hundred tickets having already been secured. Those desiring to hear him should secure seats at once. -We are sorry to learn of the serious illness of Mr. Louis Doll, of this place. Before arising on Saturday morning he had a severe attack of hemorrhage of the lungs, and later in the day suffered another attack, the latter almost prov fatal. During Saturday night his condition was such that his friends entertained small hopes of his recovery but at this writing (Monday) he is improving as rapidly as his case will permit. Mr. Doll is an excellent gentleman, a first class workman and we hope he may speedily recover. -The Leland Opera Company gave three entertainments here this week. On Monday night "Our American Minister" was produced with good effect, every member of the company acquitting him or herself nobly. Were we to say more of one than another, it would be of Master George Leland, who is indeed the "boy wonder." He displays remarkable ability and will yet make his mark in the theatrical world. On Tuesday night the "Mikado" was produced, when all again showed themselves masters of their profession. Young Leland as Ko Ko cannot be excelled, and indeed we might travel many miles before we could find a company, as a whole, better adapted to this Opera. The ladies and gentlemen are excellent singers, their movements in accord with the parts taken, and the management such that they cannot fail to please. On Wednesday night "Our American Minister" was repeated and was greeted by a full house.

-The Centre county Bar Association held a meeting on Thursday afternoon, at which time Gov-elect Beaver formally retired for four years, and the balance of the attorneys who expect to administer on some portion of the General's legal practice, shed tears and said nice things about the Governor. It was a sort of mutual admiration society with Judge Orvis in the chair to prevent too much overflow on the part of the "kids." Whenever the orators got up to 100° in the shade one glance from the icelander in the chair sent the oratorical mercury down to zero. These extremes of heat and cold were rather severe on the attorneys and many of them are going about with red flannel around their necks. Governor Beaver of course felt very sorry to leave this beautiful and romantic town so filled with endearing memories to go to Harrisburg and be Governor over the great state of Pennsylvania and the other fellows were sorry too, but when he said the separation would only be temporary, the sorrow of the other fellows was really genuine. The following gentlemen took turns in wringing the heart of the Governor: Judge A. O. Furst, Major J. L. Spangler, Col. D. H. Hastings, Col. D. S. Keller, W. C. Heinle, D. F. Fortney, J. G. Love, J. W. Gephart, Aaron Williams, C. M. Bower and Clement Dale, Esqs., Hon. John H. Orvis. J. W. Gephart spoke feelingly of the pleasant relations which have always existed between him self and his distinguished partner, and Aaron Williams got in a word for an appointment under the new Governor by saying that he was out west and got home the day after the election, so that he did not help defeat the governor or elect anybody else. C. M. Bower injected a short disquisition on truth, and Clem Dale resurrected an ancient audit. Everything passed off pleasantly and the gentleman from Iceland held both Spangler and Hastings down to about freezing point. There was actually no overflow of spirits at all. Gen. Beaver goes to Harrisburg with the warmest congratulations of the Bar Association, and the hope that his administration may be exemplary in every way. If he needs any legal advice on grave questions of State this association will furnish it gratuitously. -Mrs. Margery Gregg Lieb died at the family residence on Spring street, this place, on last Wednesday evening at six o'clock. For many years the deceased had been a sufferer from chronic rheumatism, but the immediate cause of death was consumption. She was aged about 56 years and was preceded to the grave by her husband about 7 years. Mrs. Lieb was a christian lady and reared a family of children of whom she was proud. They are Prof. David M., principal of the Bellefonte schools; J. M., Andrew G., Miss Kate, and Mrs. Dr. R. L. Dart. Mrs. Lieb's maiden name was Mitchell, and was born in Bellefonte. She was a lady much loved and respected everywhere, and her death is regretted by all who knew her. The funeral occurred on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock and was largely attended. The pall bearers were J. H. McClure, Wm. Steele, John Brachbill, Geo. M. Swartz, Wm. Straub, and Morris Cowdrick. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Monroe. -On last Saturday evening Gregg Post held their regular election of officers, when the following gentlemen were selected: Commander John I. Curtis; Senior vice Commander Samuel Shaffer; Junior vice Samuel Gault; Chaplain R. C. Irvin; Quartermaster Wm. Jones; Officer of the Day, Samuel Williams; Surgeon, Jas. Fulton; Officer of the Guard Wm. Garrett; Ordinance Serg't A. L. Draucker; Counsel of Administration, H. H. Benner. The minor officers of the post will be filled by appointment. John Noll and Samuel Williams were elected delegates to the State Encampment which takes place at Harrisburg next February. The above elected officers will be publicly installed on Saturday evening, January 1st, 1887, at which time the public is cordially invited to be present. -On last Monday evening, Dec. 6th, a very pleasant event occurred at the Central State Normal School at Lock Haven. It was the 25th wedding anniversary of the Principal, Prof. Geo. P. Beard, and his estimable wife. His three daughters intended giving them a little surprise, and while preparations were being made for the same, the students took a quiet, but active part, and surprised the bride and groom, by presenting them with a handsome piece of silverware. Prof. and Mrs. Beard then invited the students down to their spacious rooms and royally treated them to cake, candy, fruit etc. Congratulations were liberally bestowed, and all seemed to fully enjoy the wedding feast. -The Centre county Teachers' Institute will be held in the court house during the holiday week, opening Monday, Dec. 27th at half past 1 o'clock p. m. and closing at 12 m., on Friday, Dec. 31st. The instructors have all been engaged, and no postponement will be made. The Institute will be unusually interesting this year, and all should attend. We will give complete particulars in a future issue. -The best sleigh in the market is that made by S. A. McQuistion.

Personal. -Capt. VanValin, of Unionville was in town on Saturday. -State Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. S. T. Taggart, was in town Monday. -District Attorney Hicks, of Blair county, was in town the latter part of last week on legal business. -Hon. W. A. Murray of Boalsburg, was in town on Wednesday. Mr. Murray gave us a pleasant call while here. -Prof. Lemuel Bierly, who is teaching music in Brush, Penns and Georges Valleys, was in Bellefonte on Friday. -Mr. John R. Bartruff, returned to Bellefonte Saturday, after a successful trip of two weeks duration through New York state. -Rev. Briel of Port Matilda, was in attendance at the funeral of Mrs. Lieb on Saturday. The deceased lady was an aunt of Rev. Briel's wife. -Mr. C. G. McMillen the popular proprietor of the New Brockerhoff House, will spend the next two weeks with his friends at Daton, Ohio. -Miss Ettie Eckley, who has been in Philadelphia for a number of years, returned to Bellefonte last week, and will in the future make her home with her parents here. -We received a pleasant call from Major Brown, of Cory, on Tuesday. The Major is one of Cory's substantial citizens, is handsome and a gentleman of culture, whom it is a pleasure to meet. He was accompanied by Col. Keller. -Hon. S. H. Yocum, formerly of this county, and who defeated Gov. Curtin for Congress in 1878, is in town. Mr. Yocum is located in Tennessee, where he has very large business interests and is here on a visit. He still owns the "red barn" farm below town. Mr. Yocum is a very pleasant gentleman and a first class lawyer. He has many friends in town, and all were glad to see him. -Ether, wife of Wm. P. Fisher who lives about one mile below Unionville, died on Saturday evening, 4th inst., at eight o'clock and was buried on Monday morning at 10 o'clock, followed to her last resting place by a large number of friends and relatives. She was aged about 65 years. Deceased had been a sufferer for a long time caused by a complication of diseases, but the immediate cause of death was yellow jaundice. She was a christian lady, kind to the poor and greatly loved by all who knew her. Her death is mourned by the whole community. Mrs. Fisher was an aunt of Treasurer Charles Smith's wife, and a sister of Mrs. A. J. Shivery, of this place. -A bit of amusement was engaged in at the Brockerhoff house on Monday, that was costly. Abe Baum caught a cat, placed it in a bag, and deposited it in the hall back of the office. Dr. Brockerhoff then approached Bill Green a colored porter, and told him there were several fine fish in a bag in the hall which he wanted taken home. Bill unconsciously approached the bag, placed his hand within and then with one mighty yell withdrew it, and sprang for the office door, pushing his hand through a pane of glass as he did so. But he reached the office safely, and after finding he was still alive, swore vengeance upon the perpetrators of the joke. It created an endless amount of laughter. -On Saturday a young man named William Baser, aged 19, and living at Buffalo Run, was severely injured while near Gerberich, Hale & Co's mill. He was standing in his sled, when the horses which were attached to it became frightened and started to run. The young man fell backward from the sled to the ground. One of his arms was terribly lacerated, the ligaments being torn, making his injuries more serious than a broken arm would be. Dr. Seibert attended to his wounds after which the young man returned to his home about six miles distant from town. -News. -Our friend Davy Parsons, tinner, who is employed by Jas. Harris & Co., butchered several fine porkers on Monday. Davy, it seems failed to invite all of his friends to be present, so a number of them concluded to go uninvited. Accordingly Jim Potter, John Olewine, Ollie Miller, Jim Williams and Abe Jackson, all fellow-employes started for the scene of slaughter at about 12 o'clock. Davy's surprise was great, but he was equal to the occasion and invited all to partake of a hearty dinner. There were some big eaters among them, and Mr. Parsons says he will have about 249 pounds less of pork to put away for winter use than he expected. -A Polandier was killed at West Mohanby by a fall of coal on, Monday of last week. -Messrs. C. E. Schaeffer, Francis Spear and Charles Rodgers, represented the Y. M. C. A. at the convention held at Lewisburg last Friday, Saturday and Sunday. -The men's meeting in the Episcopal church will again be repeated on Sunday next at 4 o'clock p. m. These meetings are interesting and should be attended by every gentleman in Bellefonte. -S. A. McQuistion sold five of his excellent sleighs within the past two days. He yet has several on hand. Call and see them.

Court Proceedings. -Moses Thompson vs. Bell Telephone Company, verdict for plaintiff for \$269.72. -McClain & Cook vs. S. Blackford, verdict for plaintiff for \$10.95. -M. D. Snyder vs. Carnegie Bros. verdict for defendant. -A. C. Heaton and wife vs. Jacob Yarnell. Verdict for defendant. -Lehigh Valley Coal Co. vs. Brew & McClain. Defendants confessed judgment for \$500. -Mary A. Elder vs. Horace G. Elder. Non suit. -R. H. Downing vs. J. L. Somerville judgment confessed in favor of plaintiff for \$134.35. -John Stoner vs. Margaret and Joseph Rider. Settled by Stoner taking back the farm and paying purchase money. -Simon P. Ruble vs. Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Centre county. On the 1st of December a jury was called and sworn on and on the 2d, the jurors were withdrawn and dismissed and the case was settled upon the following terms: Defendants to pay plaintiff one thousand dollars within ninety days, without interest. Out of this sum the plaintiff is to pay all costs, including defendant's bill. Said bill, however is not to exceed one hundred dollars. -In the case of the Lehigh Valley Coal Company, vs. A. M. McClain & Co., the defendants confessed judgment in favor of plaintiff for \$500, with stay of execution for six months. -John Stover vs. Margaret Rider and John Rider, represented by Beaver & Gephart for plaintiffs and Orvis & Keller for defendants. The defendants confessed judgment in favor of the plaintiff for the land described in the writ, subject to the provisions of a written agreement on the day filed. -Campbell Brothers vs. D. W. Holt, O. P. Jones and Samuel P. Griffith. Verdict for plaintiff, \$2,588.54. -One day last week two little boys whose father resides on Curtin street, struck upon a plan to amuse themselves. They had heard some talk about breaking windows, and concluded to imitate the rioters. Says Willie: "John, let's play break the Watchman windows; you be the rioter and I'll be the police, and will arrest you." "All right," was John's answer. The mother paid no attention to the prattle, until a moment later when a large snow ball came whizzing through the room, carrying with it the fragments of a pane of glass. Johnny had done the work, and out rushed Willie to make the arrest. The "policeman" marched Johnny to the scene of the disaster. Johnny's mother assumed the role of "Justice of the Peace," and while administering dire punishment, the golden rod, wielded with a vim, struck the chandelier, completing riot No. 2. The judge arrived later on, and out of sympathy for the rioters, concluded to impose upon himself a fine sufficient to cover the cost of the glass and the shattered chandelier lamps, first securing a promise from the boys to keep the peace in the future. -Erhard & Shuey are better prepared now than ever to supply their customers with everything in their line. On Monday they received an entire new stock, consisting of groceries, provisions glassware, queensware and canned goods floor feed, candies, nuts, in fact they now have on hand everything that goes to make up a first class store. These goods are all fresh and the buyer runs no risk in purchasing of this firm. "Honest goods and fare profits, is their motto. The country people as well as our own, will do well to patronize them. Harris' New Block, Bellefonte Pa. -Hunting is certainly hard work, and when our work is hard plenty of food is necessary. At least so thought a party of Curwensville hunters, the prominent articles of whose larder being according to the Review 10 lbs coffee, 15 lbs cheese, beans, buckwheat, 25 lbs bread, onions, 25 lbs tobacco, 5 demijohn of whisky, 1 case campaign, 1 case Rhine wine, and 10 cases of beer. While they might starve they will never abstain. -A joint session of Philo and Clio societies of Missionary Institute at Selingsgrove took place in the Town Hall on Friday evening, Nov. 26th. Among those who took prominent parts in the exercises we notice E. M. Miller, J. M. Stover and W. C. Dunlap, all of Centre county. Prof. T. C. Hoatz, also of this county, is one of the valued professors of Missionary Institute. -A subscription has been started for the erection of a bronze monument over the grave of ex-President Arthur. The first day the subscription was started \$42,000 were raised. Only the most pronounced personal friends of General Arthur will be asked to contribute. It is expected that the subscription will reach \$250,000. -List of unclaimed letters remaining in the Post Office at Bellefonte, Centre county Pa., Dec. 6, 1886. S. Arntstein, E. Friebus, Harry Fineberry, Mrs. Katie Goodman, F. R. Green, Edward Harman, Samuel Hazel, Miss Kate Harnish, J. C. Miller, John McDonal, James Murphy, Miss Mollie Poorman, Wm. Rhydderch, Mrs. Lizzie Smith, Thomas Tyler, C. F. Wine. Persons inquiring for letters named in the above list, will please say advertised. Jas. H. DORRINS, P. M.

ROLAND. -The "beautiful snow" has now spread a white mantle over hill and dale, thereby giving opportunity to those who enjoy traveling in the "merry merry sleigh." -Miss Lena Leymen has returned from visiting friends in York State, and reports having a very pleasant time. Ah, we wonder if Lena didn't leave her heart there, as the lovely glance from her blue eyes, and the smiles from her genial countenance are certainly attractive. -The debate at the grammar school in this place is said to have been well discussed on Friday last. Subject-Resolved, "That the Pen is Mightier than the Sword." This school is taught by Mr. W. P. Rothrock, and is in good condition. -Miss Lib Neff is visiting friends in New Washington, Clearfield county, where she expects to remain until Spring. -Mrs. J. B. Curtin has returned from visiting friends in Phillipsburg. -It is a fact that "Bunk" has gone to Screwback to hunt the deer. Too bad when there are so many "deers" in this valley. -The Iron Works at this place are not in active operation at present for the reason that some of the machinery in the forge is broken. -Col. W. P. Barnhart was recently the recipient of a present of large deer horns sent him from Snow Shoe, by Mr. Sammy Holt. -The Methodist Sunday School at this place propose having an entertainment on Christmas eve. -FOR RENT.-A. M. Hoover has several desirable houses for rent at attractive rates. -From the Houtzdale Observer we take the following: On Tuesday morning of last week John Creeley, a driver employed at Whiteside mine No. 6, went to work and on his second trip his team came through one of the air doors and he not being with it, a search was instituted for him and he was found upon the road dead. An examination resulted in discovering that his head was frightfully crushed, and it was supposed that he had been caught while riding between the cars and rolled from the front to the rear of the last car between the coal and the roof. He was aged about twenty years, was a general favorite among the young men, and the sudden death causes sorrow throughout our community. -MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.-The Pennsylvania Railroad Company extends the Compliments of the Season.-In pursuance of its annual custom the Pennsylvania Railroad Company announces that Christmas and New Year excursion tickets will be sold between all the principal ticket stations on the main line and branches. The holiday season is one period of the year most exclusively devoted to the interchange of social visits and the enjoyment of pleasure trips. In order to encourage this custom and to offer all possible benefit to those who desire to indulge in holiday pleasures and festivities, the Company reduces the rates during the favored period. Excursion tickets will sold on December 23d, 24th 25th, 30th, and 31st, 1886, and January 1st, 1887, good to return January 4th, inclusive. -Moss trimming Parasmantries, Beads, Fringes, in all colors.-Garmans. -The Clinton county jury wheel has been filled with six hundred names, the number of men it will take to lead out justice at Lock Haven during 1887. -Before selecting your holiday goods call and examine the beautiful assortment at Zellers' Drug Store. -Constable Hiram Kemmer, of East Taylor township, Cambria county, claims to have been bound, gagged and robbed of \$170 at 2 o'clock Saturday morning, while performing his duties as watchman at the Mineral Point furniture works. All but \$2 of the sum taken had been collected by Kemmer from delinquent taxpayers. -Our beautiful display of holiday goods will delight you, one and all.-J. Zeller & Son. -Dr. Clemens, specialist from Allentown, will be at the Brockerhoff House, Bellefonte, Dec. 7th and 8th, for the purpose of examining patients. All the sick are invited to come. Examination free to those who take treatment. Treats by inhalations largely. All chronic diseases a specialty. -The largest finest and best selected stock of toilet sets, plush and leather goods, perfumery sets, gentlemen's shaving and dressing cases, brush and comb sets, the newest prettiest and cheapest you ever saw, at Zellers, Drug Store. 46-31. -J. D. L. Smith one of Lock Haven's most respected and prominent citizens, died at his home in that city on Friday aged 61 years. Mr. Smith had been bed-ridden since last June. He leaves a wife and five children. -Piles of new things for your inspection at our store everybody welcome.-Garmans.