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Local Department.

—Book Binding.—We are now prepared to do all kinds of book binding at reasonable rates and will guarantee all work. Send in your books, papers, magazines, etc., and have them bound.

—The hot weather makes it decidedly dull in town.

—Don't forget the Coronet festival to-morrow and Saturday night.

—Saturday was probably the hottest day we have experienced this summer.

—Gen. Hastings is now comfortably ensconced in his new home, the Lane property on Allegheny street.

—A La is acronim proposing crossing the ocean from St. Nazarine to New York in a balloon. The trial will be made about the first of October.

—Quite frequently Rev. W. H. H. Snyder, pastor of the Reformed church, drives to Zion and delivers one of his able sermons before the good people of that village.

—Andrew C. Vauclain, one of the oldest foremen in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad company, died at Altoona on Monday, aged 78 years and 26 days.

—W. K. Ludwig has just received a new stock of goods and his store is crowded with fresh canned goods, crackers, cheese, and everything else crack in a first-class grocery.

—Superintendent E. B. Westfall, and a number of his friends from Williamsport, arrived here in a special car on Saturday. The party returned again in the evening.

—Several young ladies and gentlemen occupying the veranda surrounding the residence of J. A. Aikens, on Monday evening rendered delightful vocal music, attracting quite a crowd of enchanted listeners.

—A new brick pavement has been placed in front of the Bartroff property on Bishop street. The building will receive a handsome coat of paint, which when finished will make this a most desirable property.

—A party of young folks held a private picnic at Snow Shoe Intersection on Thursday, in honor of Misses Sigmond of Salons, Sallie Tyson, of Phillipsburg, and Jennie Gerbrick of Lebanon, three interesting young ladies who are visiting friends here.

—Quite a large crowd attended the Methodist picnic at Hunter's Grove last Thursday. It is estimated that nearly one thousand persons were in attendance. The Zion band was present and enlivened the occasion by discoursing sweet music. An enjoyable time was had.

—Rev. J. O. Davis, rector of the Episcopal church proposes organizing a choir of boys and requests that all who wish to join the choir shall call at the rectory on Lamb street, any afternoon this week between the hours of 4 and 6 o'clock. Ten boys are wanted.

—Co. B. will enjoy a day camping out on Saturday. Tennis will be pitched in Kline's meadow, and during the day and evening all the tactics of war will be practiced. Capt. Muller is determined to have his company in good trim by the time the boys go into camp at Mt. Gretna.

—Hon. B. F. Hunter states that the lovely grove near his home, and which is on the line of the Buffalo Run railroad, is free to all those desiring to hold picnics there. This is quite liberal in Mr. Hunter, and no doubt many pleasant gatherings will take place there during the summer.

—On another page Chairman McClain publishes his proclamation, relative to the Democratic delegate election and county convention, to be held on August 6th and 7th respectively. Also the County Committee and those appointed to assist in holding the election, and the resolution adopted at the recent Committee meeting.

—A much needed improvement it being made on Willowbank street by building a new bridge over the creek near Reynolds' mill. The work is under the direction of David Bartley. A substantial railing should be placed along the foot path and then the structure would be complete.

—The hot weather proved disastrous to many people living in the large cities. In Chicago twenty deaths from sunstroke were reported on Monday, and as many more Tuesday morning, and 263 babies less than a year old died from the heat. 193 deaths were reported up to Tuesday noon.

—Master Paul Fortney, son of D. F. Fortney, Esq., met with a painful accident Monday. The day being exceedingly warm he prevailed upon his mother to allow him to remove his shoes. He then went to Kamp's furniture store where goods were being unpacked, and unfortunately stepped upon a nail which penetrated his foot about an inch. Fortunately the nail was new, and while the injury is painful no serious consequences are feared.

—Monte Ward has resigned the captaincy of the New York club. There are not many who can fill his place.

—The people of Milesburg were startled one night last week by the sound of mysterious rumblings in the earth. Dishes were shaken from shelves windows rattled, and in one house the stove pipe fell down. Pretty much like an earth quake, wasn't it?

—A Lock Haven gentleman has invented a summer toboggan. The machine runs on wheels. What an amount of pleasure a man would have drawing one of the pesky things to the top of a slide nine or ten hundred feet long, such weather as this. It almost takes our breath to think of it.

—Candidate Smith, of Gregg township, is suffering from a broken rib caused by a fall. We are sorry to hear of his misfortune as it comes in a bad time in his canvass. Mr. Smith is, we understand, in a serious condition as the rib is broken off and projects inward. We hope, however, that he will soon recover.

—Eddie Meyers, son of W. J. Meyers, who was kicked by a horse at Pine Grove several weeks ago, is rapidly improving, and it is now thought he will eventually recover. This is wonderful, as the lad's brain protruded about an inch, and five or six pieces of bone were removed from the skull. He appears quite rational, and on Friday expressed a desire to leave his bed.

—Lock Haven and Renovo are continually growling about horses, cows, dogs and other animals bathing in the cool waters of their reservoirs. Of course that is not pleasant, but why don't they have decent reservoirs, like Bellefonte? We don't have cows in our boys, nor anything that would pollute the water. But then those little towns are always behind hand in the matter of improvements.

—Conrad Fogleman it was who died near Fillmore and not John, as stated in last week's Democrat. Mr. Fogleman formerly lived in Juniata county, and at time of his death was visiting his son near Fillmore. Mr. Fogleman died on the 7th inst., at the age of 91 years and six months. Old age was the cause. He was a highly esteemed gentleman, and many friends mourn his death. The funeral occurred on Sunday, the 10th inst., the services being conducted by the Rev. J. H. Welsh.

—Miss Rosa Fox, a bright young graduate of the High School was elected teacher of one of the primary schools of the borough. Miss Fox is a daughter of Joseph Fox, and is a deserving young lady of pleasing manners and will make a first class teacher. Miss Rosa was a conscientious painstaking student when in the High School, and her election will meet with the warmest approval of Prof. Lieb and Etters. We see no reason why our own High School under its present efficient management should not turn out excellent teachers.

—Portions of Buffalo Run experienced quite a storm on Sunday. A gentleman returning from that section Sunday evening informs us that from Fillmore down to Longwell's, a distance of three miles, the fields had been visited by high winds and heavy rains, corn and oats were completely prostrated, lying flat on the ground, and in several places trees were blown down. At the Presbyterian church just above Hunters the road was flooded with water, and in many places washouts were noticed. Considerable damage was done to crops generally.

—The members of the Coronet Hook and Ladder Company will let nothing remain undone, that will tend to make their festival on Friday evening and Saturday afternoon and evening a success. Ice cream enough to supply the whole town has been ordered, a band stand will be erected for the use of the Zion band, which will be in attendance, and the whole yard will be lighted with electric light. Comfortable seats will be arranged and everybody made as comfortable as possible. It will just be the place to take your wife, sister or sweetheart, to pleasantly spend a few hours.

—It is very seldom that an editor of county newspaper gets a square meal, and when he does the public excuses his mention of the fact. Wandering down to the Bush House one day last week, we dropped into a chair and pondered on the great question of how to get a square meal, without running our face for it. Col. Teller chanced to see us, and took in the situation at a glance invited us into the spacious dining-room of his elegant hostelry and told us the bill of fare was at our mercy. The way we used that bit of paper took the breath from the waiter, one delicacy after another was ordered until we had sampled everything, then we were proceeding to order the bill of fare for supper when our inner man called a halt. We went into the dining-room with four reefs in our waist band and came out with two buttons off. Col. Teller will please accept our thanks for the bountiful repast, and had he gone but one step further his future would have been secure. He might have thrown in a suit of clothes.

—JAMES GORDON KILLED.—This community was shocked on Tuesday morning by the announcement that James D. Gordon had been killed on the railroad. None of the particulars could be ascertained until Wednesday, when it was learned that the unfortunate man who was a civil engineer in the employ of the P. R. E., had been doing some surveying near Walls station on the Pittsburg branch, and had set up his instruments when he stepped off of one track upon another to avoid an approaching freight train. Day Express which was due at that time, came thundering along at the rate of fifty miles an hour, and not seeing it until too late, Mr. Gordon was struck by the engine, and was hurled a distance of seventy-five feet and killed instantly. Upon examination it was discovered that the back of his head had been crushed in, a deep gash cut in the forehead, also one in the lip, and one leg broken in two places. His face and body were considerably bruised. His horrified companions tenderly bore the body to a neighboring house where it was neatly confined and brought to Bellefonte, on the 9 o'clock train Tuesday evening. Deceased was a son of the late James Gordon, and his widow mother resides on Curtin street. When the sad news was conveyed to her she became almost heart-broken, as James had been her chief companion and this blow was almost more than she could bear. Death has visited that household twice within a few months, taking away two sons in the prime of their manhood, and the bereaved mother and brothers have the sincere sympathy of everybody. The victim of this terrible accident was aged about 45 years and unmarried. He leaves three brothers, Newton, of Bellefonte, Cyrus who is a lawyer and resides in Clearfield, and another living in the west. The funeral will take place this afternoon, at half-past three o'clock.

—MAN KILLED.—Emanuel Thomas, son of William Thomas, who lives about two and one-half miles east of Pine Grove, was instantly killed last Friday morning. He was aged about twenty years. The particulars of the sad accident whereby he lost his life are as follows: A Mr. Huyette operates the saw mill situated on the Musser property about two miles east of Pine Grove Mills. On the morning of the accident Thomas, in company with a companion, went to the woods to fell timber. It appears that a tree had been lodged, that is in falling it rested against a standing tree and remained there. It was then decided to fell another one, the object being to let the two come in contact, thus hoping both would fall. The second tree fell slowly, and as it gradually toppled, the saw became fastened. Thomas' companion moved out of harm's way, but Thomas stepped back only a few feet. He then moved towards the tree again, taking hold of the saw, so as to withdraw it as soon as it was liberated. At that moment the tree fell, the trunk swaying towards the unfortunate man. Involuntarily he placed his hands before him, hoping to ward off the blow, but the force was too great and he was pinioned to the ground, a crushed mass of humanity the log resting upon his breast. It is said not a muscle moved, death having been instantaneous. His horrified companion immediately summoned assistance, and it was necessary to saw the tree in two before the body could be removed. The lifeless form was borne to Mr. Thomas' home and prepared for burial, the funeral occurring on Saturday morning. Deceased was a young man of quiet disposition, and did not at any time appear to know what danger was. He was well built, and when measured by the undertaker was six feet four inches in height. A father, two sisters and two brothers survive him.

—A meeting of the school board was held on Tuesday evening, when some important business was transacted. Nearly all the members were present, and a lively interest taken in the business before the board. The resignation of Miss Lanning, who had been elected as one of the borough teachers having been handed in, it devolved upon the directors to choose her successor. The names of several applicants were placed in nomination, among them being Miss Rosie Fox, who was the choice of the board, having received six votes. The selection was a wise one. The next business before the board was the election of janitors. Bids for the work had been asked for. Henry Hoffman was the only bidder for the stone building and he was elected, his bid being \$150. For the new building George Frain's bid was \$23 per month for the school term (8 mos.); Robert Ray's \$24; Charles Garner \$300 for the year, and Henry Hoffman \$300 for the year. Mr. Frain being the lowest bidder, was chosen. Everything is now in readiness for the coming school term, and with the increased facilities our schools will next year attain a higher standard of efficiency than heretofore.

—During the early part of the week the engine at the water works has been running from 18 to 24 hours each day.

—The Republican Convention which assembled in the Court House on Tuesday was called to order by chairman Reeder shortly after 2 o'clock and the call for the convention was read by the secretary. Capt. Austin Curtin was elected chairman and Reuben Fletcher, of Howard, and J. D. Geisinger, of Bellefonte, Secretaries. W. E. Gray was elected Reading Clerk. The principal object of the convention being the election of delegates to the Republican convention, W. F. Shoop, John P. Harris and John B. Linn were put in nomination. The slate candidates went along swimmingly until Liberty township was reached when the question of the one delegate present casting the four votes of the township as instructed, arose. Dr. Dorworth objected and a breeze was kept down by chalking off discussion. The result of the ballot showed the election of John P. Harris and Wm. P. Shope. A resolution instructing the delegates for Judge Williams met with some opposition but was carried. A resolution endorsing Wm. B. Hart also met with opposition from Jas. Ratkin and Capt. Boal. C. P. Hewes warmly advocated his resolution as a vindication of Capt. Hart. The machine got its first black eye by a vote of 24 to 27 on the resolution. We admire the pluck and earnestness of our young friend, Mr. Hewes, in advocating the instruction of the delegates for Capt. Hart. Mr. Hughes is what we would call a "red hot Republican," and is an eloquent talker but Charles got left. The convention then adjourned. The mention of Gov. Beaver's name for some reason elicited no applause, but then Gen. Hastings was out of town and the delegates had not been properly posted. Indeed there seemed to be a wet blanket thrown over the entire convention and all the eloquence of our young friend Hewes could not reach a responsive chord in the hearts of a single delegate. Feidler's "South Side" fellows under the lead of Capt. Boal seemed desirous to cool the ardor of the Bellefonters, and Potter township was charged with "getting ready to kick." Evidently the country delegates had been on ice over night as they were so cool during the day. The attendance was large and the convention "harmonious."

—THREE FESTIVALS.—At least three sections of Centre county will be made merry on Friday and Saturday. On Friday evening in the Court House yard the Coronet Hook and Ladder Company will open a festival, to be continued Saturday afternoon and evening. The place selected is very desirable, there being an abundance of shade and invigorating breezes at all times. Handsome young maidens will be in attendance and furnish delicious ice cream, cake fruit, lemonade, etc., to all who desire such dainties. The festival is for the benefit of the Hook and Ladder Company, and as the company was organized for the protection of Bellefonte property, everybody should attend and make it a benefit in reality.

On Saturday evening the members of the Pleasant Gap band will hold a festival in the band room in that beautiful village, the object being to raise sufficient funds for the purchase of several new instruments. This is an excellent organization and its members are always willing to appear upon any public or private occasion. The new instruments will add greatly to the already fine music rendered by this band, and the good people of Pleasant Gap will undoubtedly give them a rousing benefit.

On the same evening the Methodists of Fillmore will also hold a festival, the proceeds to be devoted to church purposes. Ice cream, lemonade, cakes, etc., will be served, and a general good time may be expected by all who attend. A special train will leave the Buffalo Run station, near the glass works, early in the evening, and return after the close of the festivities. The fare for the round trip will be low, and it is expected that many of our people will be in attendance.

—The Borough Council met in regular session Monday night. A large number of communications, verbal and otherwise, claimed the attention of the members for some time. D. F. Fortney, Esq., and James A. McClain asked for the grade on the hill near the jail, as it is desired to put in gutters. The grade was also asked for Reynolds' avenue, all of which was referred to the proper committee. Dr. Dartt asked water privileges for people living in Bush's addition, when council decided not to take the water out of the borough limits. The B., E. & C. railroad company desires to use 3000 gallons of water per day, and asked for price of same. The company will make the water connection if desired. Referred to water committee. Council was petitioned by twenty families for a crossing at Ridge street, on the north side of High. It was decided George Weaver should secure the data upon which to base the water tax for this year, and as soon as this is at hand D. Z. Kline and W. F. Reeder, Esq., will apportion the levy. The rate of taxation was fixed at 3 mills for street, 2 for borough, and 10 for interest.

Personal.

Mrs. James Long, of this place, is visiting Phillipsburg friends this week.

Miss Ellie Sheets, of Pittsburg, is visiting her sister Mrs. William Fees, on Reynolds avenue.

Ira Garman is again circulating among his numerous friends here. He expects to remain about a month.

Miss Vernie Koontz, of Waynesboro, M. D. is the guest of her brother Charles, of this place. Miss Koontz resided in Bellefonte about five years ago, and her many friends were glad to welcome her.

Mr. Samuel Dunlap, the efficient postmaster at Pine Grove Mills, was a pleasant caller at our office on Saturday. Mr. Dunlap is a whole-souled and jolly gentleman, and is the life of the town in which he resides. Call again.

D. R. Foreman, of Centre Hall, called on Saturday and enrolled his name on the Democrat's list of subscribers. Mr. Foreman is a brother to Deputy Prothonotary Foreman, and besides being an agreeable gentleman is a solid Democrat.

Aaron Williams, Esq., who has been spending the past two weeks in the Bald Eagle Valley, has returned again. Mr. Williams' wife also spent a week at the same place. Aaron made himself useful while away by appearing in the harvest field, and the way the sheaves flew astonished the natives.

Louis Robb A. M. of Howard who recently held a professorship in the Meyerstown, Lebanon county College, has been elected Professor of Mathematics in the Lock Haven Normal School. Miss Brooks who last year had charge of the model school at the Normal was re-elected. Both the selections are good. Prof. Robb being exceedingly well versed in the branches to be taught by him, and as for Miss Brooks her past record is quite flattering and she will excel in the future.

Miss Carrie Vandyke, one of Northumberland's fairest and most accomplished young ladies arrived in town on last Saturday evening, and was the guest of Miss Lyde Furey for several hours, leaving for Snow Shoe at 8 o'clock the same evening to spend a few weeks among her many friends of that mountainous town. Miss Vandyke is known in this vicinity as a thorough school mistress, having taught in Snow Shoe several winters to the satisfaction of both directors and parents. She is now engaged in teaching the young idea how to shoot in her native town, understanding perfectly the principles of instructing the student and can be ranked among the best. Before returning home she will again grace Bellefonte with her presence.

—BUILDING NOTES.—Spangler and Gephart's new brick row on Spring street and Fifth avenue begins to loom up. The work is being pushed rapidly.

Ed Chambers has broken ground on Linn street for an elegant residence.

Dr. Dart is going to build four new houses in Bush's Addition.

S. M. Buck has just completed a saw house on Ridge street, north of the avenue, and contemplates the erection of another.

F. W. Crider's stone building is about ready for roofing.

Daniel Garman has a good force of men employed on the interior of his new hotel lathing and plumbing.

Reynolds' Block is beginning to show its beautiful proportions, and already gives a faint idea of its architectural grandeur.

Mr. Bush will begin the erection of the finest business block in the central part of the State as soon as the details of the building are completed.

A. J. Cruise is erecting two comfortable dwellings on Willowbank street.

All over town and in the suburbs buildings are constantly going up and thousands of dollars are being expended in improvements. There is a quiet substantial improvement in business throughout the country, and Bellefonte is getting a large slice.

—RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.—At a regular meeting held July 6, 1887, in Logan Hose House, the following resolutions were adopted: Resolved, That the Logan Hose Company, of Bellefonte, Pa., hereby return its sincere thanks to the officers and members of the Miltonian Steam Fire Engine Company, of Milton, Pa., for the royal treatment received at the hands of our visit to that place on Monday and Tuesday, July 4th and 5th, 1887. We desire to say that never was there better nor more hospitable treatment served us than on this occasion, and we are truly thankful for it all.

Resolved, That our best regards are also due to Mr. W. A. Seigried, the popular and genial proprietor of the well-known Broadway House, where we were so well cared for during our stay. We can heartily recommend Mr. Seigried and his hotel to the public, as indeed a home for the traveling fraternity.

Resolved, That the citizens of Milton also come in for a good share of praise for the kind hospitalities so generously accorded us, and we will ever hold them in faithful remembrance.

H. D. YERGER, J. D. SEIBERT, JAS. H. HULL, ISAAC LONGACRE, JNO. O'CONNOR, Committee.

—CENTRE COUNTY TEACHER'S EXAMINATION.—The examinations of teachers will be held at the following dates and places, and will begin at 9 o'clock of each day.

- Phillipsburg and Rush—Phillipsburg, Tuesday, Aug. 2.
Taylor—Hannab, Wednesday, Aug. 3.
Worth—Port Matilda, Thursday, Aug. 4.
Huston—Julian, Friday, Aug. 5.
Union and Unionville—Unionville, Saturday, Aug. 6.
Walker—Hubersburg, Monday, Aug. 8.
Burnside and Snow Shoe—Snow Shoe, Tuesday, Aug. 9.
Liberty—Eagleville, Wednesday, Aug. 10.
Marion—Jacksonville, Thursday, Aug. 11.
Curtin and Howard—Howard, Friday, Aug. 12.
Spring—Bellefonte, Saturday, Aug. 13.
College—Lemont, Monday, Aug. 15.
Boggs and Milesburg—Central City, Tuesday, Aug. 16.
Benner—Knox's School House, Wednesday, Aug. 17.
Patton—Stony Point, Thursday, Aug. 18.
Half Moon—Stormstown, Friday, Aug. 19.
Gregg—Spring Mills, Saturday, Aug. 20.
Harris—Boalsburg, Wednesday, Aug. 24.
Ferguson—Pine Grove, Thursday, Aug. 25.
Potter—Centre Hall, Saturday, Aug. 27.
Penn—Millheim, Monday, Aug. 29.
Haines—Aaronsburg, Tuesday, Aug. 30.
Miles—Rebersburg, Wednesday, Aug. 31.

Applicants must present testimonials of character from boards of directors. No examination will be required in branches in which grades have reached 1 or 1 1/2. D. M. WOLF, County Supt.

—The regular monthly conference of the Milesburg Baptist church will be held in their lecture room on Saturday, July 23rd, at 2:30 p. m. Delegates to the Centre Baptist Association will then be appointed and other business, pertaining to the Association, transacted. Rev. M. B. Lanning will fill his regular appointments next Sabbath, as follows: Unionville, 10.30 a. m., followed by communion; Port Matilda, 3.30 p. m., Martha Furnace, 8.00 p. m. Monthly church conference at Unionville, Saturday, July 23rd, at 2.30 p. m. All members of the church are earnestly requested to be present. M. B. LANNING.

—A serious accident occurred at Boalsburg on Wednesday of last week, in which two ladies narrowly escaped with their lives. Mrs. Reilly, widow of the late James Reilly, accompanied by her daughter in the morning of that day started to visit the family of Wm. Everhart, relatives who live a short distance out of town. When ready to return, Mr. Everhart volunteered to hitch up his horses and convey the ladies home. Everything went right until Boalsburg was reached, when a halt was made in front of Stewart's store, where Mr. Everhart had some business to attend to. Just as the gentleman was ready to re-enter the carriage, the horses took fright and ran down street at a rapid gait. In crossing a bridge the vehicle came in contact with the timbers, completely demolishing it. The ladies were thrown out, Mrs. Reilly receiving serious injuries, her face and head being badly bruised. She remained in an unconscious condition for several hours, but at this writing is getting along nicely. Her daughter was reported as having an arm broken in two places, but fortunately the report is incorrect. But she received many bruises and it will be some days before she fully recovers. A colt had been placed in the team, which becoming frightened, caused the run away.

—A lad named Fasig, while passing along the board walk from Wait's implement establishment to the High street bridge, and when just opposite the dam, stumbled and fell, rolling off the high bank and alighting in the water below, and his head coming in contact with a large stone, he received a severe scalp wound. A gentleman passing at the time leaped into the water and rescued the boy who would undoubtedly have drowned, had it not been for the timely assistance.

—An order recently issued from the Adjutant General's office, Harrisburg, says: "A reinspection of the Fifth, Tenth, Fourteenth and Eighteenth regiments, Second brigade, is hereby ordered, which will be completed on or before the 25th day of July 1887. Major James B. Coryell, inspector Tenth brigade, is hereby detailed to inspect the Fifth and Tenth regiments, and Major Lawrence Wetherill, inspector First brigade, is hereby detailed to inspect the Fourteenth and Eighteenth regiments. Reports of these inspections will be forwarded through regular channels so as to reach this office on or before August 1, 1887."

—There were 443 deaths reported in New York city the last three days of the week just past. The fatalities were chiefly among children.