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Local Department.

Cheerful parties are numerous now days.

Don't fail to see "Human Nature" to-morrow night.

The County Commissioners are in session this week.

Do you want a bargain? If so call at the Novelty store on Spring street, where no reasonable offer is refused.

About all those who went to Philadelphia from Bellefonte, have returned home, after having been royally entertained.

The room occupied by the Telephone Exchange people is being remodeled, and when finished will be quite handsome and cosy.

Only four members of the town council were present at the regular meeting on Monday night. There was no business of importance transacted.

The Harrisburg Evening Star has been purchased by John Robertson, a well-known Harrisburg newspaper man. The consideration was \$6,000.

It is said while Gov. Curtin was standing in the Lafayette hotel at Philadelphia on Saturday night he was relieved of his gold watch by a pick-pocket.

John Hamler, who was arrested for the murder of Mrs. Foster, near Philipsburg, last spring, was last week tried at Clearfield and acquitted. We presume the suicide theory held good.

The State College band held a festival on Saturday evening which was quite a success. A special train conveyed many persons from this place to the College, where an enjoyable time was had.

The Grangers picnic on Wednesday and Thursday of last week, may be conceded a grand success, having the largest crowd in attendance that ever assembled on Nittany Mountain. Music, however, was conspicuous by its absence.

The Milesburg band passed through town early Saturday morning, enroute for Clintonville, where they had been engaged to furnish music for a gathering of some kind at that place. They discoursed some fine music while passing through.

Five hundred and thirty-four pensioners from Centre county have their names on the pension rolls at Washington, who each quarter draw \$18.24. This would make \$72,964 distributed among the soldiers and their widows yearly, averaging nearly \$137.00 to each.

The Thirtieth Annual Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Pennsylvania, will be held October 12, 13 and 14, 1887, in Lewisburg, Union county, Miss Frances E. Willard President of the National W. C. T. U., will be present, and make an address on Social Purity. The number of Unions has greatly increased during the past year, there being now over one thousand in the State, and this is expected to be the largest and most important meeting ever held.

Notwithstanding the failure of the potato crop in many places, in portions of Centre county that vegetable plentifully abounds. The crop in Haines township was large, and they are being shipped away by the carload, 500 bushels having been sent to Lima, Ohio, and more are to follow. Why not ship them to Bellefonte? The prices are as good here as elsewhere and the expense of marketing less, besides there is quite a scarcity of that article just now.

On Thursday morning as Mrs. Wm. Utz and her son were ascending Nittany mountain on their way to the picnic, their horse became balky, and backed into a team of horses following them. The vehicle was completely wrecked and Mrs. Utz and the boy were thrown out. The lady's head coming in contact with the hard road, she was rendered insensible. A carriage was procured and she was brought home, when it was discovered that she had sustained no serious injury, and she was able to be out the same evening. The boys escaped injury.

Robert B. Guthrie, who from 1852 to 1884 was captain of Co. D., Fifth Regiment, N. G. P., at Altoona, but who latterly was a traveling salesman, was drowned on last Sunday afternoon at Atlantic City, where he had gone with some friends after the celebration at Philadelphia. The particulars are as follows: While bathing in the surf at the foot of Virginia avenue, the underflow, which was unusually heavy, carried him out. He did not notice the strength of the current nor his imminent peril until he had been carried so far that he could not get back. While struggling desperately with the tide he sank in full view of his horrified friends. The body was swept out to sea, and although the officer of the life guard on the beach tried to secure it his efforts were unavailing.

All the goods in Corman's Novelty store must be sold at once, as Miss Corman intends going to California in a short time.

The marriage of Miss Clara Strickland and Mr. M. I. Gardner, on last Wednesday afternoon was witnessed by about fifty invited guests, the capacity of Mr. Strickland's house not admitting a larger number. The ceremony was performed in the usual happy style by Rev. Wm. Laurie, the bridesmaid being Miss Annie Meese, and the groomsmen Mr. Will Conley, of Milesburg. The quartette presented a handsome and happy picture standing before the minister as the impressive words, uniting for life the trials and fortunes of the principals were spoken. Congratulations followed, when the guests were invited to the dining-room where a sumptuous feast had been prepared for all. The 5 o'clock train conveyed the newly wedded couple to the western cities. Upon their return they will locate at Howard. The presents were very numerous and also valuable. Mr. Gardner the groom is a very highly educated and respected young gentleman, and is chief bookkeeper at the Lauth Iron Works. The bride is one of our most popular young ladies, and was for many years a successful teacher in the Bellefonte schools. The Democrat extends its congratulations, and trusts their lives may be full of sunshine, and that prosperity will ever smile upon them.

Mr. and Mrs. M. I. Gardner returned to Howard from their wedding trip on Monday evening, and on Tuesday a reception was held at their new home in that place. A number of the Bellefonte friends of the bride and groom were in attendance.

Miss Catharine McCafferty died at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Barney Powers, on Lamb street early Tuesday morning, at the age of 47 years, 6 months and 5 days. The deceased lady had lived with her sister ever since childhood. She had been sickly for many years but it was not thought the end was so near. On Sunday she intended attending the funeral of the late Mrs. Cunningham, and was about to proceed to the church, when she was suddenly taken with cramp. All possible aid was rendered, but she rapidly grew worse, and passed away at the time stated above. Strange to say the disease which caused her death was almost identical with that which ended the life of the lady whose funeral she was about to attend. Deceased was a devout member of the Catholic church, and had a large number of friends who deeply mourn the loss of this good lady. Six brothers and three sisters survive her. The funeral will take place this Thursday morning at half past nine o'clock, services to be held in the Roman Catholic church by Rev. Father McArdle.

Last week while paying a short visit to Unionville, Mr. J. C. Rumbarger was so kind as to show us his finely arranged chicken house, where we were surprised to find more than one hundred young capons which he is preparing for Christmas markets. Upon inquiry Mr. Rumbarger gave us the history of his success in raising and marketing all the poultry he is able to handle. According to his experience caponized fowls will become twice as heavy as the ordinary chicken and in city markets are worth from twenty to thirty cents per pound. He buys them from the farmers and neighbors at the rate of twenty five cents a piece and by New-year sells them for two, two and a half and three dollars apiece, thus having a clear profit of at least two dollars on each bird. Care must be taken, however, to select a good stock for this particular quality. Mr. R. has established a reputation of which the fine specimen of blooded stock in his possession are a sure and safe guarantee.

A small but select company of ladies and gentlemen assembled at the residence of the late John Barnhart, near this place, on last Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, to witness the marriage of Miss Kate Barnhart a handsome and accomplished young lady, to Mr. William McClure, one of Bellefonte's most exemplary young gentlemen. The ceremony was performed by Rev. D. S. Monroe, and after the wedding feast, Mr. and Mrs. McClure boarded the 9 o'clock train which took them to Philadelphia and other eastern cities. Their many friends wish them a bright and prosperous future.

M. L. Beck, who was a son-in-law of Mr. John Derstine of this place, was killed in an accident on the Pittsburgh and Western railroad on last Tuesday morning the engine of which he was fireman, collided with a work train. The remains were brought to Bellefonte on Friday morning and interred in the Highland cemetery. The wife of Mr. Beck resided here with her father. The body was accompanied here by two members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen from Allegheny, and six from Altoona. Deceased held a benefit of \$1500 in the Brotherhood, of which he was a member.

The choir that leads the singing in the Presbyterian church has entirely changed within the past few months and instead of it comprising young and old folks who possess musical talent, is now composed of all young ladies and gentlemen who have determined to make the singing in that place of worship a superior quality. On last Sabbath morning they rendered some fine music and with a little patience and practice will make one of the best taht may be found in any church.

On last Sabbath morning Rev. William Laurie being unable to preach to the Presbyterian congregation, being temporarily disabled by having a severe cold, Rev. Charles Steck, formerly of the Lutheran church of this place occupied the pulpit, and in his usually excellent manner delivered a very fine sermon which was listened to by a large and attentive audience, who pronounced it an able and scholarly production.

Through an error of the advance agent of the "Human Nature" comedy company, we announced October 1st, as the time for the appearance of that company. The date is Friday September 23d, when one of the greatest attractions on the road will visit Bellefonte, and delight our people. Tickets on sale at Sourbests.

Great reduction in every line of goods at Corman's. The stock must be disposed of at once, and prices have been put way down.

Mrs. C. A. Swavelly, of Roanoke, Va., is visiting her relatives in this place.

John M. Dale, Esq., of this place spent Sunday and Monday in Lock Haven.

Miss Maggie Seehler has entered Wilson College at Chambersburg, where she will pursue a course of studies.

Y. M. C. A. Secretary Shaffer is attending a general secretaries' conference at York this week, and while absent, his place is being ably filled by Mr. Albert Lucas.

Prof. A. L. Little of Saxton, Pa., who will take charge of the schools at Centre Hall, was the guest of Mr. J. C. Noll during his short stay in Bellefonte. Mr. Little has our best wishes for unbounded success in his school work during his stay in Centre county.

Will Hillibish is representing the Logan Hose Company at the Allentown Fireman's convention this week. Mr. Hillibish will make an effort to have the convention meet in Bellefonte next year, and we trust he will succeed. Bellefonte is large and hospitable enough to handsomely entertain all the gallant firemen who will favor us with their presence.

Mrs. Susan Scott, and little son Clarence, and Miss Louisa A. Spencer, sister of Mrs. Scott, of Winnebago county, Ill., are visiting at the residence of their cousin Aaron Williams, Esq., on Howard street. Miss Spencer accompanied Mr. Williams to Philadelphia to witness the centennial celebration, and also attended the President's reception in the Academy of Music on Friday night. The lady pronounces Pennsylvania a great state and greatly admired the splendid Military bearing of our soldiers.

Mrs. Elizabeth Cunningham wife of Mert Cunningham died at her residence on Beaver street, on last Thursday night, after an illness of only a few days. Deceased was about 54 years of age, and leaves a husband and eight children—six boys and two girls, to mourn her loss. She was a kind and affectionate wife and mother, and her death is greatly regretted by a large number of friends and relatives. The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock services being held in the Roman Catholic church, where a very large number of people had assembled. The remains were interred in the Catholic cemetery, twenty five vehicles being in the procession, besides a large number who walked.

CARD OF THANKS.—The family of Mert Cunningham, so recently bereft of an affectionate wife and mother, desire to give expression of their gratitude to the many friends who so generously aided them and bestowed innumerable kindnesses upon them, during the sickness of the late Mrs. Cunningham, and who, when the gloom of death had settled about their happy family circle, taking a loved member from them, did so much to soften this sorrowful dispensation of Providence.

The finest square double heaters in town can be seen at McFarlane's hardware store. Anything in the store line can be got here and cheap too. This firm sells the celebrated Apollo Range whose equal has never made its appearance in this place. This range is a marvelous cooking apparatus charming all the cooks who use it. The surest proof of its superiority is the fact that none ever brought back because they would not work properly. They operate to a T in any and all conceivable nooks and corners in which a stove can be set up. All stores are sold on terms to suit purchasers.

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Patrons' Picnic.—The Patrons of Husbandry picnic on the top of Nittany mountain last Wednesday and Thursday was a grand success. Both days were pleasant, and the attendance was accordingly large. Several bands were present, and added greatly to the affair. The address of welcome was delivered on Wednesday afternoon by James A. Keller, Master of the County Grange, who spoke at length upon the growing needs of our country, pointed out existing evils and suggested remedies. He spoke in a clear and forcible manner, and his address was full of profound thought and wisdom.

Senator Brown, of York county, State Grange lecturer, was next introduced and replied to the address of welcome. His remarks were timely, as well as instructive, and he was listened to with respectful attention. He spoke of the oppressed farmer, the encroachment of the railroad companies, gave a brief statement of the Grange, and demonstrated that he was well versed in facts and figures relating to the organization.

The exhibits were numerous, and embraced stock, machinery, agricultural implements, farm productions, etc., and made an interesting collection to view and examine.

About 80 tents were erected and every one was occupied. The crowds of people who thronged the grounds both day and night, were far beyond expectation, and the order maintained was good. An affair on Wednesday night which threatened to end in a row, was quickly squelched by the police.

Thursday was also a pleasant day and the crowd was immense, fully 9000 persons being present. The addresses of the day were delivered by Col. J. F. Weaver, who spoke of the "Progress of the Grange of Centre county," Col. Downey, of Maryland, Past State lecturer of the state of West Virginia, who delivered an able discourse on the "Growth and future prospect of the Grange throughout the country," and Col. R. H. Thomas, Secretary of the State Grange, who made a stirring address on general subjects. Col. V. C. Piolette, on account of sickness, was unable to participate in the speech-making.

The sociopcon exhibition of views of the battlefield of Gettysburg during the evenings was a feature enjoyed by all who had the pleasure of witnessing them.

The State Grange through its officers had established headquarters on the ground; also the Milfin county, Clinton county and the Centre county granges, and all subordinate granges of Centre county.

There were over 3000 people in attendance on Wednesday, and over 9000 enjoyed the hospitality of the grangers on Thursday, and unanimously pronounced it a perfect success.

The grounds were handsomely decorated, in conformity with the order, by the ladies, which added greatly to the general appearance and pleasure of the Patrons.

On page 165 Pamphlet Laws of 1887, recently issued, we find that section 89 of an act relating to county and township officers, has been amended to read as follows: "It shall be the duty of assessors and assistant assessors to keep an account of the several days by him actually employed in the performance of his duties and to make return of the same to the commissioners of the county, verified by his oath or affirmation, and for each day necessarily so employed he shall receive the sum of two dollars." Approved by the governor May 25, 1887.

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Only a Farmer's Daughter, attracted a large audience to Humes' Hall on last Saturday night. The play was well rendered, and frequently applauded. Marion Abbot, the leading lady, as "Miss Stark," and "Mrs. Laurent," was very fine, her acting being almost perfect. She was ably supported by S. J. Forhan who took the double character of "Jack Hartley" and "Philip Bartram," and who is right at home on the stage. Mable Elliot, as "Justine the Farmer's Daughter," played her part to perfection, and displayed considerable ability. Miss Nevada Houston, as "Mollie," cannot be excelled. She is quite handsome, and in-taking the part of "hired help," furnished considerable amusement. The acting of Maud Thompson was marvelous she being quite young, yet possessing the qualities and accomplishments of older actresses. She delighted the audience and received hearty applause. Jean Houston, as "Howard Lennox," R. A. Fisk, as "Sammy Green," R. G. Christie, as "Higgins," and J. Dayton, as the "Policeman," all took their parts very creditably. Indeed there was not a poor actor among them, and the large audience was well pleased with this, the opening performance.

The "Hypocynagon" entertainment given on the Silk Mills grounds on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week was far better than was promised in its announcement. In addition to the extraordinary horse and dog performances, trapeze and tumbling acts, &c., &c. promised on the bills, Frost's menagerie—a collection of several cages of animals all in splendid condition was thrown in at the same ridiculously low price of admission, 10 cents. It was well worth a dime to see the lion family alone, a handsome lioness with her three seven week-old cubs. The same may be said of Mr. Hurlbert's exhibition of his seven trained horses, and his score of thoroughbred, educated dogs. The company has a fine band both for parade and orchestra music, and when we add to all this the fact that all hands concerned in the show, from the proprietors, Messrs. Hurlbert, Hunting and Frost's, down to the canvas men are at all times gentlemanly and courteous, and that no fakirs or swindlers of any description are permitted on the grounds, we said enough to convince all that the entertainment is well worthy of the patronage which it is receiving.—Honesdale Daily Observer.

John Wagner, or "Billy" as he is familiarly known here, recieved a telegram from several particular friends of his to come to Huntingdon and witness the great centennial exercises and display that took place in that city on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. John departed on Tuesday evening, but in his great excitement he forgot his "gun and dog" which are his constant companions. We greatly sympathize with his friends who have taken the contract of furnishing him with chicken and waffles while he is their guest. A preacher would give others a chance but John would'nt.

J. J. Gramley, of Miles township, called at this office on Monday and informed us that he has discovered as noxious a weed in some of his fields as the Canada thistle is. It is called the "wild carrot" or "wild daisy" and seems to have been mixed with some cloverseed which had been shipped to Coburn from the east and which was bought in considerable quantities last spring. When in bloom the weed has a white flower, about the size of a silver dollar. He wishes to call the attention of other farmers to this weed, which may easily be pulled out during wet weather.—Journal.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in the post office at Bellefonte Centre county, Pa., Sep. 19 1887.

Sigmund Arnstein, Wm. Cramer, Mrs. J. Davis, Walter Gaintz, Mrs. Heberling, Miss Mary G. Hall, Mr. Kroop, Dr. A. M. Kalback, John Keller, E. H. Long, John Minich, James Malone, Miss Ellie Miller, Joseph Parker, A. Rummell, W. H. Richardson, William Schevin, David White, Walker & Co. Aze M'fgs 16 letters.

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

JAMES H. DOBBINS, P. M.

BRACE UP.—You are feeling depressed, your appetite is poor, you are bothered with Headache, you are fidgety nervous and generally out of sorts and want to brace up. Brace up, but not with stimulants, spring medicines, or bitters, which have for their bases very cheap, bad whiskey, and which stimulate you for an hour, and then leave you in worse condition than before. What you want is an alternative that will purify your blood, start healthy action of the Liver and Kidneys, restore your vitality and give renewed health and strength. Such a medicine you will find in Electric Bitters, and only 50 cents a bottle at J. Zeller & Son's Drug Store.