

Correspondence containing important news will be gladly received for publication in this paper. No communications will be inserted unless accompanied by the real name of the sender. Patrons will confer a favor by reporting any personal notice at this office.

When in Bellefonte don't fail to visit Will Perlstein's Dry Goods store, the only exclusive dry goods store in the town. Nothing but dry goods, notions, dress trimmings and furnishing goods. All goods marked in plain figures and sold at our prices. New Bush Arcade.

NOTICE.

E. W. Pletcher is our authorized collector and solicitor to whom all accounts may be paid. He will visit every part of the county. Give Mr. Pletcher your business \$1.00 and the paper will be sent you for one year.

Local Department.

It will be a hot day for the "fire-bug" when he is caught.

We are getting a mosaic pavement in front of the Reynolds block.

Daniel Garman lost four fine horses in the late fire, and Dr. Dorworth one.

Carwensville is to have a match factory and a new Saw and Shingle mill.

Frederic Reynolds and his brother took a little horse back ride from Lancaster to Bellefonte last week.

Daniel Summy, a resident of Osceola, spent several days in College Township his former home.

Miss Sue Jack, who had been spending several days in town, departed for her home in Boalsburg.

Walter Lempy's finger, which he hurt some time ago while playing ball, is getting well slowly.

Quite a number of people from different parts of the county came in the day after the fire to see the ruins.

Samuel A. Dunlap, postmaster at Pine Grove Mills, was a caller at this office while in town on Saturday.

The work of tearing down the walls of the Crifer building has begun. The new building will go up as soon as possible.

Daniel Garman's residence has received a new coat of paint which improves the appearance of the place very much.

Men were in town Monday posting the stables and fences with bills announcing that a large show will be in town on the 26th.

The Lutherans will have Sunday School in the Y. M. C. A. Hall at fifteen minutes to nine o'clock Sunday mornings until further notice.

At the breakfast given to the Tyronese firemen the waiters were Bellefonte's prominent lawyers, doctors, bankers, merchants, manufacturers and business men generally.

Mr. Edward Pletcher, our handsome collector, had the misfortune to lose a brand new coat, vest and hat in the recent fire. He was stopping at the Garman House, but happened to be in Phillipsburg on the night of the fire hence the loss.

Dr. Hill, President of the Bucknell University at Lewisburg, has accepted the Presidency of the Rochester University, Rochester, New York. Prof. G. M. Phillips, of West Chester Normal has been mentioned as Dr. Hill's probable successor.

David Kline, a veteran of the late war, died at Julian after a very short illness. Mr. Kline had been to Gettysburg and on his return home became suddenly ill and died. He lost an arm during the war. He was fifty-two years old at the time of his demise.

Mrs. John Spangler and her little son Rubie, of Centre Hall, came to town on Sunday, taking in the sights of the late fire and visiting numerous friends while here. They returned to their home on Monday morning, as the little fellow couldn't stay away from home any longer.

Miss Mollie Long, a former compositor on this paper, but who has been making Roanoke, Virginia, her home for the past year, returned home Wednesday, of last week. Miss Mollie has improved in health and likes the South very much, but still there are some attractions about Bellefonte that will bring her back. No doubt the good fresh air, or probably something else we really can't say.

The News after mentioning several names of Democrats who will vote for Harrison says, "Please don't imagine that we publish the names of all Democrats who have said they would vote for Harrison." Oh, no, bless your dear goosey heart we would not accuse you of anything so awful for the world. How about the flopping of that sterling old Democrat John McDermott reported in the News of last week?

ANOTHER VISITATION.

The Fire Bug Again at Work - Part of Garman's Hotel, the Residences of Dr. Dorworth, C. M. Bower, the Lutheran Parsonage and Church and a Dozen Stables Go up in Flames.

The last DEMOCRAT had been run off, the papers bundled up ready for mailing on Thursday morning, and the hands comfortably stowed away in their several couches. Foreman Spangler left the office about 12 o'clock. The sky was as clear as noonday and the stars were shining brightly. A high wind was blowing but the town was quiet and there was no foreboding of the terrible scene that fifteen minutes later was to open on our people. At quarter past twelve the shrill cry of "fire!" "fire!" rang out on the calm night, and the startled residents of the centre of the town rushed to their windows to find almost the entire country illuminated by a vast conflagration. Soon the fire alarm on the electric light station aroused those remote from the fire by its awful tones. The wind was blowing a perfect gale from the west and dense volumes of smoke, sheets of flame and millions of sparks were flying over the eastern part of town bounded by High street on the north and Bishop street on the south.

The firemen responded promptly to the call and then began one of the most gallant battles against our too constant and most dreaded visitor, the fire fiend. The fire originated, it is supposed, in Garman's stable. In a few moments the stable of Dr. Dorworth adjoining on the east was a mass of flame. That portion of the Garman House known now as the "old part" but which prior to the last fire which destroyed Reynolds' block and part of the Garman House, was known as the new part of the hotel caught. The residences of Dr. Dorworth and C. W. Bower, Esq., were soon on fire while the high wind was carrying the messengers of destruction to the Lutheran parsonage and church and the row of stables and little buildings that lined the alley on the east from the Garman House on High street east to Penn street every building was a mass of flames, while on the alley everything inflammable was burning. East of Penn on High street and Bishop street east of Penn seemed doomed. Nothing but the untiring work of property owners in those sections saved them from destruction. Tyronese and Lock Haven were both appealed to for aid by Major Spangler and both responded promptly. The Neptune company of Tyronese was soon on its way here and a Lock Haven company was already when a telegram was sent them stating that the fire was under control. It was one of the most rapid and complete conflagrations we have had for years. The work of removing furniture began early but so rapidly did the flames eat their way from building to building that much was lost. About one o'clock a severe shower of rain fell which lasted perhaps five minutes. This was truly a Godsend as it moistened the roofs of buildings in the line of the fire so that the sparks and cinders did not at once ignite where they fell. A little after 2 o'clock the Neptune steamer arrived from Tyronese and that company soon had three streams playing on the fire and our wearied and overworked boys were given a rest. All danger had passed before the arrival of outside aid, and everything was under perfect control by half-past one o'clock, but it was a source of relief to the home department when they could sit down on the curb stones and rest and watch the Neptune boys keep down the flames.

THE COFFEE CART

is a great institution and the ladies come in for a fair share of praise. They were promptly on hand and coffee was distributed not alone to our firemen but to those at work saving property, to the weak and faint from fright or exertion and to all who needed it. Mrs. Hicks, Mrs. Moyer, Harry Hicks and John Laurie served gallons of the stimulating fluid fresh from the cart.

INSURANCE.

C. M. Bower, Esq., has \$1,500 on house and \$1,500 furniture and library. \$3,000. Garman's have \$1,000 on stable and \$3,000 on hotel. 4,000. The Lutheran congregation have on church, parsonage and furniture \$2,500 with Mr. Morrison, \$2,400 with Mr. Weaver. 5,000. Dr. Dorworth has \$2,500 on house, \$500 on furniture and \$400 on stable. 3,400. Mr. Mallory has \$300 on furniture. 300. Mr. Mingle, estimated. 1,000. Others, estimated. 3,000. \$19,700.

LOSSES.

D. Garman, including everything. \$10,000. C. M. Bower. 4,000. Dr. Dorworth. 6,000. Lutheran congregation. 1,000. A. C. Mingle. 600. Graham. 450. Mallory. 400. \$18,000. Other losses on stables, houses, etc. 14,000. \$40,000.

The Democratic Club was addressed on Monday evening by Judge Orvis, D. F. Fortney and John M. Keichline, Esqs. Mr. David Foreman presided during the absence of Judge Orvis who left after his speech. The addresses of Messrs. Fortney and Keichline were eloquent and logical. Additional members were elected. The club is in a flourishing condition and constantly gaining in numbers, attendance and interest.

That public spirited wealthy and liberal citizen Daniel Garman proposes building an Opera House. We don't know of a better investment, for Mr. Garman's loose cash than an Opera House. He will confer a great boon on his fellow citizens and fill his pockets with ducats. Well Daniel let us have it and a first class one while you are building.

On Thursday morning of last week F. W. Crider became the owner of the Humes block lot. A very fine business block will be erected thereon, and it is to be hoped that Mr. Crider will include in the same an Opera House. We believe it would be a good investment; nothing is more needed in town than some place of amusement, and at present we are without a hall of any kind.

We were pleased last week to shake the hand of that venerable old Gentleman Mr. Laurance Van Pelt, father of H. D. and G. E. Van Pelt, who reside at Centre Hall, to which place Mr. Van Pelt makes his yearly visit to look after the interests of his two sons. Mr. Van Pelt's home is near Ithica N. Y. Though up in years he is still a well preserved man and says nothing will do better than to elect Cleveland, and send him back to the White House, and it must be done.

The town meeting was quite lively and while the discussions at times were quite warm it was very evident that each man was trying to get at what is most needed for our safety. Council came in for some very severe strictures from Judge Orvis, Mr. Reader and others and they were not undeserved, for if there is any body of men that contains more Miss Nancys to its numbers than a Bellefonte Council we don't know what it is. And yet every man in that meeting is more or less responsible for the Personnel of our council.

Among the prominent Republicans of our town who will support Cleveland and Thurman, it gives us pleasure to mention the name of that distinguished politician and able editor, Newton Bailey, of the Daily News. Mr. Bailey has been a life-long Republican and voted for old "Tip" in 1840. He has been unwavering in his devotion to the Republican party since that time but now leaves it in disgust. He is tired of keeping up monopolies and trusts and will cast his lot with the friends from this time forward. It is said that the powerful influence of the News will be thrown for the Democratic cause. Welcome Bailey.

At 25 cents the Centre Democrat should be in the hands of every laboring man in the county.

While Council is taking the necessary measures to put our fire department on a first class footing there are several things that are worthy of its consideration. 1st. The fire apparatus should be under the absolute control of the Council and Fire-marshal and assistants. 2nd. No man should be a member of a fire company who is not either a property owner or directly interested in property through business or family considerations. In other words no floating or loose element should be allowed in a company. 3rd. No beer or intoxicating drink should be allowed about an engine, hose or truck house. The roster of each company should be subject to revision by council or its fire committee and the marshal and assistants.

Jacob Cole, of Coleville, sent his little daughter to the bank with his bank-book containing fifty dollars. The child in some way lost the book and contents. We have not heard that Mr. Cole recovered either. If it has fallen into honest hands there can be no doubt as to the ownership of the money as the bank-book would show that. Mr. Cole is not able to lose that money and it is to be hoped that the finder will return the book and money.

Since the above was put in type we have been informed that Mr. Cole recovered his money and bank book. Mrs. James Rine saw the book drop from the little girl's hand and saw Mr. Grant Pifer pick it up. She communicated the fact to Mr. Cole, who went to Mr. Pifer and was made happy by recovering his money.

The Philadelphia Record is usually well informed as to the public men of the State but does not seem to have caught on to our distinguished fellow townsman Col. Milliken. We will with pleasure enlighten our contemporary. Col. Milliken is a retired "infant industry" a traveled, cultured and highly polished gentleman. The same man who put Gov. Beaver in nomination at Harrisburg the first time the General ran for Governor. He is identified with the business interests of Bellefonte—in his mind. He is the same gentleman who sent a resolution to the last Republican State Convention asking that the delegation to Chicago be instructed for Mr. Milliken for Vice President, which resolution was promptly smothered in committee. He is politer than Bean Brumel, more accomplished than Admirable Crichton and more conceited than Oscar Wilde and he's the darling of our town and don't you forget it.

Town Meeting.

Persuant to a call by the chief Burgess the property owners and citizens in general assembled in the Court House on Saturday evening to take measures to prevent the frequent recurrence of fires and to provide more efficient facilities for combatting them.

Chief Burgess Spangler was called to the Chair and stated the object of the meeting. Col. D. S. Keller was made secretary. Resolutions which had been prepared at a special meeting by Col. Jas. Milliken, L. L. Brown and J. C. Meyer were then read and discussed. After considerable discussion in which that venerable moss covered body the Council came in for a full share of censure and ridicule, the resolutions were adopted. The proposed ordinance was dissected by Judge Orvis, and the various resolutions debated by Gov. Curtin, Messrs Milliken, Potter, Reader, Furst, Shortridge, Yeager, Fortney and others. The following resolutions were adopted:

1st. Resolved, That we, the citizens of Bellefonte, in town meeting assembled, respectfully urge upon the borough council prompt and active measures to secure a sufficient night patrol for the protection of the lives and property of our citizens from maliciousness, lawlessness and incendiarism. And we would suggest to their consideration that under their provisions to that end, the execution and enforcing of such provisions shall be placed for the present under the authority of the Chief Burgess.

2nd. Resolved, That the Chief Burgess be instructed to appoint a vigilance committee of ten, of which he himself shall be chairman, who shall through the Chief Burgess co-operate with the council and the police for the better protection of the life and property of our citizens, and that the said committee shall be known personally only to the Chief Burgess.

3d. Resolved, That we commend to the council the adoption of an ordinance to organize the fire department of the Borough of Bellefonte under the provisions of a proposed ordinance herewith submitted. At this juncture Mr. Meyer, by request, read the proposed ordinance, an outline of which is given elsewhere in this report.

4th. Resolved, That we commend to the council the purchase of a relief valve to be applied to the pump and to be used when the valves in the mains at the reservoir shall be closed, and that a complete test be made of the full strength and capacity of our present water pipes for a better supply of water to be pumped direct through the pipes in time of fires.

5th. Resolved, That we commend to the council, after the trial of the experiments recommended for the relief valve, if such shall be found in any manner insufficient for a greater supply of water, the purchase of a steam fire engine for the use of the borough.

6th. Resolved, That we commend to the council an early consideration and adoption of an ordinance to control the erection of more secure buildings under license from the council within the built-up portions of our borough, and the appointment of an inspector to examine and report any insecure buildings that may be already erected.

7th. Resolved, That we unite in enjoining upon all citizens the duty of abstaining from contributions to professional tramps. Their vocation is a misdemeanor under our laws, and any encouragement extended to them is a wrong to society at large and begets a danger to life and property.

The following resolution was then passed.

Be it Resolved, That the thanks of this meeting of the citizens of the Borough of Bellefonte be tendered to the Neptune Fire Company of Tyronese, which so promptly came to the aid of our citizens during the disastrous fire of Thursday, the 12th inst. That we hold these firemen in grateful remembrance for their kind and generous action.

Resolved, That to the Hon. S. S. Blair, Superintendent of the Tyronese Division of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, through whose action free transportation was accorded these firemen and their steamer, the thanks of this meeting are also due.

FARMERS' MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.—The Penns Valley Mutual Fire Insurance Company held its regular quarterly meeting at Centre Hall on Tuesday. A full board was in attendance. The business transacted was the largest of any meeting of the company since its existence. The amount of insurance taken was \$140,100, and the cash premium paid in was \$50 more than in the entire year of 1887. The company is fast gaining the confidence of the people, and deservingly so, as it is managed with the utmost economy and the insured find it the cheapest company they could get into. The board of directors is composed of the most honorable men in the Valley, who work for the good of their neighbors at very small pay. The increased business is gratifying to the directors as an evidence of the confidence of the people.—Reporter.

Persons having old books magazines and any kind of binding to do should call at the Bellefonte Book Bindery, where all work will be done in a workmanlike order and at reasonable prices.

Michael Confer of Howard was in town one day last week.

Gov. Beaver spent Sunday at home. Jno. P. Harris has purchased the Phoenix planing mill.

A little daughter of Reuben Seyler died suddenly on Sunday last.

The M. E. Sabbath School of Snow Shoe will picnic some time in August.

Jack Ewing, Snow Shoe's prominent druggist, was in town Monday. We are all ways glad to see Jack as he is a good live fellow.

Mrs. Hoffer, of Huntingdon, and Miss Wooten of Dundee, N. Y. are visiting at the residence of Mr. A. C. Mingle in this place.

William Fees for a number of years a resident of Bellefonte, and at the head of the flattening department of the glass works departed yesterday for the West, where he expects to make his home in the future.

Mine host Brandon of the Brockershoff House served breakfast to the Tyronese firemen at 5 A. M. on Thursday morning. The boys were waited on by Mr. Brandon, Chief Burgess Spangler and others.

Begin sure Anna Katharine Green's new story, "Behind Closed Doors," starting in the Pittsburgh Sunday Dispatch July 8. Said to be fully up to the "Leavenworth Case" and superior to "Hand and Ring."

W. M. Long, the gentlemanly book-keeper for Study Bro's, Tyronese, is rapidly pushing ahead. Mr. Long is very familiar with all forms of business, having taken a course at the Valparaiso Normal School, Indiana.

We think it would be a good idea for the adjusters of the various Insurance Companies doing business here to move their families to town. There is more business in the line of adjusting losses by fire in Bellefonte than in any other town in the State.

Phillip the four year old son of Abraham Robinson stuck a rusty table knife down his little brothers throat last Sunday. This is the second time that little Phillip has been on the war path as it were. Once before he struck the baby on the head with a hammer.

A. V. Daugherty of Moshannon writes: "Enclosed find balance on my paper and one year in advance." That kind of talk not only encourages us but it warms up our "inards." Thanks friend Daugherty may your shadow never grow less and your purse always be full.

Mr. James Gilliland of Washington D. C., was a visitor at the DEMOCRAT Sanctum on Monday. Mr. Gilliland is 84 years of age and still hale and hearty. He is more familiar with the early history of Centre County than any living man and it is a rare treat to hear him talk of old times.

Billy Parker of Phillipsburg has changed the name of his Hotel from the Parker House to the Coal Exchange Hotel, persons who want to find Billy will be able to locate him at the old stand but under a new name. The similarity of sound of Parker House and Potter House induced the change.

J. M. Furey has been elected teacher of the 3rd Ward Grammar School of Lock Haven and will move his family to that place. Mr. F. gets better wages, cheaper rent and thinks he can do better in Lock Haven, than here. We congratulate Lock Haven on securing the services of Mr. Furey as he is a first class teacher.

Two of Tyronese citizens had a severe struggle with a burglar in the "wee sma hours" of Saturday morning and after considerable slugging in which the burglar came out second best he was captured. He was a tall, powerfully built young man elegantly dressed and carrying a gold watch and chain, gold eye glasses, and a revolver. He is now in Hollidaysburg jail.

On Monday night officer Garis discovered "Al Hoffman" a young man about town asleep in a store box at Harper's store. The officer took the young man in of course, he protested, and when Garis locked him up he yelled "murder" and finally "fire." His screams alarmed the town and the firemen promptly responded. All three companies were out and for a time great excitement prevailed. But it was a false alarm and was soon over.

Chief Burgess Spangler has about got the police force of the borough in perfect condition and violators of the law will be dealt with severely. The citizens will give Burgess Spangler their moral support, and property owners can rest assured that their property will be protected. The Burgess is determined that the prowling about at nights of disreputable and dangerous characters must cease. In the future they will be locked up, and it is just as well that they should know it.

Base Ball, and how to become a player" is the title of a book, by our friend and fellow-townsmen J. Montgomery Ward, of the New York Club. The work gives a thorough explanation of the origin, and history of the game—Under the various chapters of Pitcher, Catcher, Short-stop, First Baseman etc., it not only tells how every position should be played, but shows how to use the different curves, how to stop ground hits, in short gives complete directions for becoming an expert player. It is published by the Athletic Pub. Co. of Phila. Pa.

Howard Harvey has gone to Bedford county where he expects to take orders for a life-sized manikin.

If you want a range that has proved itself a thousand times the best, handiest, most reliable and cheapest, try the Apollo at McFarlands hardware store. Numbers 137 and 138 have been added to the list of styles and are models of beauty. One of these, the 137, can be seen in the large show window of the store. No use talking the Apollo is ahead; don't be fooled by "high flowing" language by experts at cooking in regard to other ranges but get the Apollo, it requires no expert to run it as a child ten years old can manage it easily.

Monday night the town council met to discuss the resolutions and ordinance proposed by the town meeting. Every member of that body was present. The little feeling manifested at the town meeting had entirely disappeared and council got right down to business. The following gentlemen were appointed a committee to prepare an ordinance in harmony with that outlined at the meeting Saturday night: L. T. Munson, Hook and ladder; Thos. Shaughency, Logan Hose, and E. Brown, Jr., Undine Hose. Representing the citizens: Col. D. S. Keller, D. F. Fortney and F. W. Crider. Representing council: Robert Hepburn, George L. Potter and Robert Cole. This committee met Tuesday evening to prepare an ordinance and will report to a special meeting of council this [Thursday] evening. In the mean time L. T. Munson was elected Marshall and H. L. Yeager and Captain Amos Hullen, assistant. The regular election for fire marshal and assistant will take place after the new ordinance has been adopted. The following resolution was then passed.

Resolved, That the Chief Burgess be authorized to offer a reward of \$300 for the apprehension, arrest and conviction of the person or persons who have been setting fire to property in this town.

The council was afraid to tackle the borough cow but did the next best thing—it decided to submit the question to the voters at the next Spring election.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in the post office at Bellefonte, Centre county, Pa., July 16, 1888.

J. C. Boache, Miss Irene Beck, Chas. T. Cole, Wm. Yowlin, Mrs. H. Glenn, Wm. Miller, John Miller, Mrs. Elizabeth Meyers, Miss Mary Swartz, Russly Schaeffer, Thomas Strouse, Joseph Stover.

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

The "Dull Season" approaches. Extra inducements offered in fine tailoring. Suits and Overcoats—made to order from new fall goods, at very low prices.

MONTGOMERY & Co., Tailors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

CONGRESS.

We are authorized to announce the name of Maj. J. L. Spangler, of Bellefonte, as a candidate for Congress. Subject to the rules and decision of the Democratic County Convention.

ASSEMBLY.

We are authorized to announce the name of Aaron Williams, Esq., of Bellefonte, as a candidate for Assembly. Subject to the rules and decision of the Democratic County Convention.

BELLEFONTE MARKET.

Table listing market prices for various goods including wheat, corn, butter, and flour. Columns include item names and prices per unit.

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION.

NOTICE.—Letters of Administration having been granted to the undersigned on the estate of W. C. Porter, deceased, late of Walker township, all persons known themselves indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same to present them duly substantiated by law for settlement.

JOHN H. BECK, Administrator.

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BELLEFONTE BOOK BINDERY.

Having leased the Bindery from the CENTRE DEMOCRAT, I am now prepared to do all kinds of binding at short notice. Persons having Magazines, Old Books or anything in my line should give me a call. Blank books and Hotel Registers done in the neatest style at reasonable prices. All work done with promptness, and satisfaction guaranteed.

J. B. KUNTZ, Lessee. Second Floor Old Courthouse Building. 10-28-88.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF CENTRE COUNTY.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the said Court on Tuesday August 22nd A. D. 1888, at 10 o'clock a. m., under the "Corporation Act of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four" and the supplements thereto by Wm. H. Miles, George S. Noll, J. D. Shugert, Frank McCoy and Frank T. Wallace, for charter of an intended Corporation to be called the "Millsburg Presbyterian Congregation" the character and object of which is the support of public worship according to the faith, doctrine, discipline and usages of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church of the United States of America, and for these purposes to have powers and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges composed by the said act and its supplements.

FRANK E. TIBBLE, Secretary.