

CORRESPONDENCE containing important news will be gladly received for publication in this paper.

Local Department.

"A man is never dead until his feet are cold."

—Joseph Bros. are having a new roof put on their building.

—Our exchanges are filled with the accounts of foolish wagers made on the election.

—Thursday November 29th, has been appointed by the President as Thanksgiving Day.

—We suppose the next issue of the Fountain will contain full directions how to skin a cat.

—Business is improving in all directions—a natural result after a Presidential campaign.

—The Bellefonte Band meets in the Arbitration Room of the Court House, for practice.

—Mr. C. C. Ramsay, of Pleasant Gap, climbed up the "golden stairs" Tuesday and had his name enrolled on our books as a subscriber.

—H. Y. Stitzer, Esq., will represent the Lutheran congregation of Bellefonte, at the Lutheran Conference which is in session at Boalsburg this week.

—In this issue of the DEMOCRAT will be found a table giving the vote of the county Tuesday, November 6. It is taken from the official vote and is correct.

—Jas. P. Coburn, of Aaronsburg, the man who bucked the Democratic bull off the bridge, registered at the Brockert House on Monday evening.

—Howard Rishel, of Chicago, stepped from the train on Monday morning, on his way to attend the wedding of his sister Miss Maggie to Geo. P. Wakefield, of Huntingdon, at Centre Hall on Tuesday 13.

—The storm which struck this section of the state, the latter part of last week did considerable damage in some places.

—Work on the new Pennsylvania Railroad passenger station is being pushed along as rapidly as possible and will be completed in the course of a few weeks.

—Every one heaves a sigh of relief when he thinks of the "recent unpleasantness" as a thing of the past and takes his bearings for the future.

—The health of Bellefonte we believe was never better, and Dr. H. K. Hoy we are told has taken advantage of this condition of things and has hid himself away to New York city to devote several weeks to study, upon one or the specialties in his profession, at a prominent institution in that city.

—Jacob Pluff, of Hyner, Clinton county on the 31st ult., shot and killed three bears and trapped one.

—A meeting of Gregg Post, G. A. R., was held last Monday evening in their hall to make arrangements for the reception of the Department Officers of this district who will meet in Bellefonte Tuesday, December 11.

—Assistant Adjutant General Thomas J. Stewart, of Post 11, Norristown, Montgomery county, Pa.

—Assistant Quarter Master General H. G. Williams, of Post 8, 39 South Tenth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

—Judge Advocate, Thomas E. Merchant, of Post 2, 625 Walnut Street, Philadelphia.

—Medical Director S. F. Chapin, M. D., Post 235, Wattsburg, Erie county, Pa.

—Inspector John V. Miller, Post 52, Lewisburg, Union county, Pa.

—Chief Muster Officer W. W. Greenland, Post 205, Clarion, Clarion county, Pa.

—Chaplain Rev. John W. Sayers, of Post 16, Reading, Berks county, Pa.

—A special train was run to Lock Haven Tuesday evening for the Republican ratification.

—The Bellefonte band and about one hundred others from the town completed the party, for which five cars were chartered.

—The new house on Bishop street, begun by the late Thos. R. Reynolds, shortly before his death, is almost finished and is a valuable addition to the many new structures erected in our town during the summer.

How Hen. Musser, of Milesburg, Got Left.

The good people down at Milesburg are having a big lot of fun at the expense of Hen. Musser, a resident of the town.

Musser is an enthusiastic Republican and takes in the doctrines as shipped him from headquarters, annually; was a veteran in the late war and occupies a front pew in the Methodist fold.

During the campaign, Henry was an active worker and talked politics with all the boys in Milesburg and after having converted the town, like Alexander the Great, sought new fields of conquest.

He fell in with a good old soldier, Geo. Walker, living several miles out of town, upon whom he started his batteries, of fact and argument (?), in the following style.

"George you are not agoing to vote for Cleveland, are you?" "Yes," was the reply.

"Don't you know that he hates old soldiers; that he vetoes all the pension bills sent to him; that he would take your pensions from us if he could? Don't you know Geo., that he would pay the rebel debt if he could and pension all their soldiers with our money? That is what he will do, George, if he is elected again, you won't vote for such a man, will you?"

George was dumfounded for a moment, upon this wonderful revelation from his friend Henry.

Geo. studied some time and then replied. "Now Henry, are you telling the truth? Do you know that is true about Cleveland? I never heard of it before."

"Yes, George, Cleveland hates old soldiers and I can bring you the proof: you won't vote for such a man? Will you?"

"No sir; if that is true, I will vote for Harrison. He completed arrangements with Geo. to take him to the polls, early, on the day of election, and then went his way rejoicing.

George Walker is not a fool by any means; he looked the matter up for himself and found that he had been shamefully stuffed, and told his wife of the whole affair.

Tuesday morning, (day of election,) Henry Musser arose early, hooked up his horse, and true to his promise, started off to bring Walker to the polls and vote him straight.

He arrived at the house, hitched his horse and rapped. Mrs. Walker was the only one up and was kindling the fire when he came.

She responded to the call at the door, when she saw Musser, she knew what he wanted and broke out thusly: "Get out here, you dirty scoundrel! You lied to George about Cleveland, and if I had hot water I would scald you. Get out! Right off!"

Poor Hen. Musser, cast down, dejected, walked away, thinking how the committee would go for him if he didn't bring George down and vote him. A new plan struck him.

He took his horse down the road apiece and waited awhile, expecting George to get up and come down. No George appeared.

Then Musser sneaked back to the corner of the house and called for George to come. At this point of the proceedings Mrs. Walker appeared at the front door with a tin in her hand.

Musser grasped the situation; his long legs took him a flying over the fence with coattails sailing in the air. That is how Hen. Musser voted his man.

In justice to Mr. Walker we would say that he appeared at the polls later in the day and voted a genuine, Democratic ticket. Poor Hen. Musser.

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

Of the G. A. R. to Meet in Bellefonte, December 11.

A meeting of Gregg Post, G. A. R., was held last Monday evening in their hall to make arrangements for the reception of the Department Officers of this district who will meet in Bellefonte Tuesday, December 11.

The following officers are expected: Department Commander Frank J. Magee, of Post 270, Wrightsville, York county, Pa.

Senior Vice Commander W. R. Jones, of Post 181, Braddock, Allegheny county, Pa.

Junior Vice Commander George R. Hart, of Post 27, 1914 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

Assistant Adjutant General Thomas J. Stewart, of Post 11, Norristown, Montgomery county, Pa.

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Chicken Thieves at Work.

Farmers over in Pennsylvally are having their hen roosts depleted, by night visitors, at a rate that will make a blue Thanksgiving dinner for many.

On last Tuesday at about 7 p. m. a wagon with two men drove up to Jas. Keller's barn, near Centre Hall, and relieved him of some thirty chickens and a number of turkeys and left only after being driven off.

Wheelbarrow Bets.

The election is over and some of the fellows are having a big time squaring up accounts with their Republican friends.

All sorts of wagers were made and many amusing ones, for which Centre county comes in for her share.

At Spring Mills, Messrs. Oscar Emerick and Landlord Rhul agreed the loser should wheel the other down the pike to the school house and back; and Emerick had to wheel his man Rhul, about one hundred and seventy pound avordupois, last Friday evening.

At Centre Hall a similar wager was made by Doctor W. A. Jacobs and Chas. Kurtz, of the Centre Reporter, who completed his part of the contract on last Friday noon to the amusement of the citizens of the town who turned out en-masse to see the fun.

The procession started from the post-office accompanied by the band. Everything passed off nicely until they reached the lower part of the town, where the wheel went into a break in the walk and as the Reporter stated the "load of sin" went on rather unceremoniously.

Milesburg had a similar entertainment one day this week, but failed to get names of parties interested.

Mangled by a Bear.

Bears are very plenty in the woods up in Lycoming Co. and hunters have little difficulty in starting one or two of these animals from their lair in a day's hunt.

While a bear is not dangerous generally he will fight wickedly if cornered or wounded. Yesterday Henry Bunnell, of McHenry township, started into the woods with his gun and dogs for the purpose of hunting whatever kind of game that might run across his path.

During the day his dogs chased up a large black bear along Bunnell run. The animal ran through the woods until it came to where Arthur Callahan and Lewis Raymer were engaged getting out railroad ties.

When bruin was close to the young men Callahan struck the animal in the neck with his axe, inflicting an ugly wound. But in striking at the bear young Callahan's foot slipped and he fell to the ground with the bear on top of him.

The wounded and infuriated beast caught Callahan's leg in his mouth and proceeded to crush the limb with its teeth. Lewis Raymer ran to the assistance of his companion and sunk the bit of his axe into the bear's back, forcing the animal to release young Callahan and endeavor to escape.

Bunnell and his dogs came up shortly after and pursued the bear about a mile when he succeeded in ending its life with a bullet from his rifle.

Young Callahan was assisted to his home and a physician summoned from Jersey Shore. It was found that the bear had caught Callahan's knee in its mouth and crushed the leg from the knee to the foot in an ugly manner.

Had the young man been alone the enraged animal would have killed him in a short time. As it was he escaped with a badly lacerated leg that will confine him to the house for some time.

ENCOUNTER WITH A ROBBER.

Dr. Hamill's Tussle With a Night prowler. The report of a desperate struggle between Rev. Hamell, of Lemont, and a burglar who had gained an entrance to the Rev.'s residence one night last week reaches us.

The Rev. is very particular in regard to closing up the house at night and always attends to having everything well secured before retiring.

The night of the disturbance everything was closed carefully and the family retired early. At about midnight, a daughter was awakened by a noise in her room and found that some one was prowling around evidently in search of valuables.

She gave a scream which aroused the family and her father came at once to the room with a light which had been kept burning during the night.

When the Rev. stepped in the room, a man with hands and face blackened met him, and quick as a flash blew out the lamp. Rev. Hamill, who is well advanced in years, straight as an arrow and the picture of robust health, dropped the lamp and grappled with the unknown intruder.

They clinched in the darkness and in the tussle rolled down stairs to the first floor where the intruder by a desperate effort broke loose and made his escape through an open door prepared, no doubt, beforehand for his exit in case he would be discovered.

Rev. Hamill received a number of bruises from the encounter but nothing serious is apprehended therefrom. Various theories have been put forth as to the identity of the thief, and some think it was one well acquainted with the residence and evidently was after some valuable jewelry kept in the house.

—The new house on Bishop street, begun by the late Thos. R. Reynolds, shortly before his death, is almost finished and is a valuable addition to the many new structures erected in our town during the summer.

—Judge Orvis is at Pittsburg this week.

—Duncan's machine shops are getting a coat of red paint.

—Post master Wm. Wolf, of Centre Hall was a caller on Wednesday.

—A valuable horse belonging to, Cal. Auman, while at work in the mountains, near Coburn, ran off and broke his neck.

—The telephone company have daubed their poles white about town, and, as usual, keep a gilt lining on their exchequer.

—A number of bear stories are published this week for the benefit of Centre county farmers. If you can't bear them, don't read 'em.

—John Eberhart, of Benzett, Elk county, made his father, Daniel Eberhart, of this place, a flying visit this week. John has a passion for politics.

—Mrs. R. B. Hayes was on Thursday last re-elected President of the Women's Home Missionary Society at Boston.

When Rutherford, the pretender, heard the news, he went out and set another hen.

—C. P. Hewes, Esq., Trustee of C. U. Hoffer, is selling at greatly reduced rates the later gentlemen's stock of merchandise at the former place of business in Brockerhoff Block.

Everything must be sold and splendid bargains can be had. Ed. Shaffer is one of the gentlemanly clerks in charge.

—A little daughter of Dr. Fickes, of Warriorsmark, was severely scalded Monday morning by a washboiler full of boiling water being spilled upon her.

The scalds were principally about the face and upon her limbs, and while very painful are not considered dangerous.

Dr. J. M. Smith, of Tyrone, was called upon to minister to the injured little one.

—It is possible that the Bell Telephone Monopoly may be brought to book, after all. The decision of the Supreme Court affirming the right of the Government to bring suit to set aside a patent, it is a first step and lays the foundation for exhaustive and satisfactory inquiry as to the frauds alleged to have been perpetrated in procuring the patent.

—The attendance at the curb market both on the part of vender and purchaser is beginning to yield to the chilling effect of frosty mornings and the apparent scarcity of many of the farm products.

Butter and eggs can soon be ranked among the luxuries, and apples and potatoes are steadily climbing to a nich above the capabilities of the ordinary pocketbook.

—Elsie, a daughter of Dr. G. W. Hosterman, Centre Hall, died suddenly last Sunday morning. She was about eleven years of age; possessed a strong and rigorous constitution and enjoyed good health until the past few weeks.

An attack of diabetes was the cause of her death and was discovered only about two weeks before. Interment was at Centre Hall Tuesday morning.

—D. Bates Bell, for a number of years the efficient book-keeper for Phoenix Plating Mill Co., has been dispensing his presence among a host of friends in this place this week.

Bates severed his connection with his employers here to engage in the insurance business in Dubois, Clearfield county.

The firm of Biddle, Helmbold and Bell, of which he is the junior member, deal most largely in fire insurance.

We are not personally acquainted with the first two members of the firm, but we can assure those who may seek the services of Mr. Bell they will find him at all times of the largest degree of confidence.

—Mrs. George Hirsch, of Navarro county, Tex., give birth to six children last Saturday afternoon.

The mother and children are doing well, and the father is reasonably happy. A reporter who visited the homestead found about one hundred people present, all examining the brood of babies.

There are four boys and two girls. The father, George Hirsch, is thirty-one, and his wife twenty-seven. They have been married five years and have three children beside the recent accession.

Hirsch is of German descent, and has named the quartet of boys Frederick, R. Q. Mills, Cleveland and Thurman Hirsch. The girls are Victoria and Louise. All are perfectly proportioned, but very small.

The babies all seem healthy. The Hirsch family is poor but prolific, and the mother is a large, healthy woman. The babies are all tagged, to preserve their identity.

—John Smolak, an Italian laborer employed in the Renovo foundry, says the Nez of that place, resigned his position and will leave for Italy this week.

His cause for going back to his native country lies in the fact that he has been summoned to join the Italian Army. Not being at home when the summons came the law was about to proceed to confiscate a farm owned by his widowed mother.

This is the law of Italy and the young man being apprised by his mother of the condition of affairs has concluded to go back and serve his time in the army in preference to seeing his old mother turned out of her home.

How to Handle a Gun.

As this is the hunting season the following advice may be useful to green or careless hunters.

"Don't point your gun at any one else. Don't carry your gun so that its range includes all your hunting companions. Don't try to find out whether your gun is loaded or not when it misses fire by shutting one eye and looking down the barrel with the other.

Don't climb over a fence and pull your gun through muzzle foremost. Don't throw your gun over a log so that the trigger will catch and the charge will be deposited in your stomach.

Don't carry your gun full cocked. Don't carry your gun with the hammer down. Don't use your gun for a sledge hammer. Don't be a fool. Don't you for get it."

Found in the Dam.

The Tyrone Times says: Tuesday the Hungarian who was supposed to have been robbed at Tyrone, and made away with, by two of his companions, was found in the dam between Tyrone and the Forge.

When found the body was badly decomposed, and what appeared to be bruises and cuts about the face and neck, was caused by decomposition. The clothing was taken from the body and a wallet strapped around his waist next to the skin, was found in which was the snug sum of \$180 in paper money, and in a pocketbook found in his hip pocket, \$1.75 in change.

Coroner Glenn and jury rendered a verdict of accidental drowning.

The name of the unfortunate man is Mike Hoondrot, and is about twenty-five years of age.

A HORRIBLE DISCOVERY.

Eleven Dead Children in a Reservoir.—No Clue to the Authors of the Murders.

No wonder a fellow is inclined to drink beer these times as he is generally sure of knowing what he gets. Up at St. Ambrose, Canada, recently, complaints had been made concerning the condition of the city reservoir water.

The authorities finally resolved to empty the water to find out the cause. The task begun and to the great astonishment of the engineers and workmen the remains of eleven children were discovered at the bottom of the reservoir in an advanced state of decomposition.

The authorities of the locality are at a loss to know who are the authors of the murders, as an inquest has revealed that every one of the children had been born alive and had breathed for several hours at least.

THRILLING BEAR STORY.

A Pine Creek Log Driver's Adventure With Two Bears.

The latest adventure with bears on Pine Creek is reported in the Wellsboro Gazette of Thursday last. It is a first-class bear story and is as follows:

Charles Whelpy, a log driver, was turning a bank of logs into one of the branches of Pine Creek a few days ago, when he was surprised to see a bear walk out of the woods on the opposite side and deliberately start in to wade across to the bank where Whelpy was walking, heading for a point two hundred feet up the stream.

Whelpy had a revolver, and he began firing at the bear, which at first was not more than thirty feet away from the lumberman. Three out of six bullets struck the bear but evidently without any disabling effect, as bruin kept straight on in its course, simply giving a jump and a howl as each bullet pierced the flesh.

Climbing out on the bank the bear paused a moment and looked threateningly at Whelpy, and then proceeded on its way. Whelpy had no more cartridges but at the lumber cabin a quarter of a mile away, there was a rifle and plenty of ammunition.

He ran to the cabin, got the rifle and started in pursuit of bruin. He overhauled it, as he supposed, in an old log road, where it was wallowing in a mudhole. He killed the bear at the first shot, as the animal raised up in the mudhole, the ball crashing through its middle.

As Whelpy stood looking at the dead bear he heard a noise in the brush at the roadside, and looking up saw the head of another bear peering out from a thicket of scrub oaks on the left of a bank ten or fifteen feet above the road.

The bear did not move, but glared at Whelpy all the time he was reloading his rifle. Whelpy shot the second bear between the eyes, and it tumbled and rolled down the bank to the hunter's feet.

It lay on the ground but a moment, when it sprang to its feet and turned on its foe. Blood was peering from its mouth and the wound in its head. Whelpy retreated, loading as he backed away. The bear rushed after him for 100 feet, when it raised erect on its haunches and fell backward dead.

To the hunter's surprise he found when the two bears were dressed, that the first one he had killed did not have any other wound except the rifle ball in the brain, while his three pistol balls were found in the body of the second bear.

—Josiah J. Hoy was appointed Congressional return Judge from this county, to meet the other return judges from the other counties in this Congressional district.

They met in Clearfield Tuesday to compute the votes cast for the Congressional candidates and declare Hon. James Kerr, the Congressman elect for the 28th District. The appointment of Mr. Hoy was very commendable.

Wouldn't Break His Pledge.

One of our exchanges tells the following: "Among the wounded taken from the Mud Run wreck was a cadet apparently 14 years of age.

He was very weak and crying piteously for a drink. There was a scarcity of water as the coolers were all empty. A man present had a flask of whiskey which he purchased at the hotel and tendered the boy a drink.

At the mention of drink the lad grabbed eagerly at it and murmured, "Oh, thanks," as he placed it to his lips. He no sooner tasted it than he handed it back.

"Its whiskey and I don't drink" he said as they urged him to take it. It may save your life, said a good natured youth as he knelt beside him.

"I don't care, won't break my pledge," replied the lad. Those were the last words he ever spoke, for afterwards he died. His death was calm and peaceful and the many who noticed the dead bodies of all the victims, might have noticed a little cadet with a smile on his face, as if he found happiness in dying without breaking his pledge."

Paying for the Mud Run Horror.

The eight railroad men who were the cause of the horrible accident at Mud Run, are under arrest and will be tried under the act which provides in substance that all railroad employees through willful neglect or misconduct cause an accident whereby persons shall lose their lives, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding \$5,000 and undergo imprisonment in the jail or penitentiary not exceeding five years.

DUDELEY TO BE PROSECUTED.

Treasurer Dudley, Matt. Quay's "right-bower," will get his dues for instructing Republican Committeemen in Indiana to buy up all the floating voters to be had on election day.

His scheme was unearthed several days before the election by the Democrats and he will be brought to trial as soon as he returns to Indiana. He may postpone the day of his trial by remaining in the east, but he will not escape entirely, for the Democrats are pledged to push the case against him.

If they back down from a prosecution now it will be a confession that the letter is a forgery and they cannot afford to do that. The case against him is certain to be tried and Harris will not recognize him under any such circumstances.

THE New York Star speaks to Democrats in this encouraging manner: "No faithful Democrat need be discouraged by the result of '88. The defeat of '72 was followed by the Tilden victory of '76. Let the measures of the Democratic managers be promptly initiated and as steadfastly pursued as were those of Tilden, and another Democratic victory will surely follow the experiment of another four years of Republican rule."

DEEDS.

On the 4th, at Farmers Mills, Mrs. Sarah C. Blair, aged 30 years, 6 months and 1 day. In Miles township, on Sunday morning, 4th, Jonathan Spangler, aged 84 years.

BELLEFONTE MARKET.

Grain, as corrected weekly by Gerberick, Hale & Co.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes items like R. d. Wheat, new, per bushel; Mixed Wheat, new; Buckwheat; Eye per bushel; Corn (shelled); Corn (ears).

Provisions, Groceries, etc., (as corrected weekly by J. A. Harper, & Co.)

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes items like Apples, dried, per barrel; Cherries dried, per barrel; Dried Currants, per barrel; New Beans, per barrel; Beans per barrel; Fresh Butter per barrel; Cheese per barrel; Country Hams per barrel; Hams sugar cured; Shoulders; Breakfast Bacon; Country Bacon; Lard per barrel; Eggs per dozen; Potatoes per barrel; Dried Beef per barrel; Canned Beef per can; Country Sides per barrel; Dried Sweet Corn per barrel; Apple But or per gallon; Roller Flour per sack; Apple per bushel; Snow Flake Flour; Flour Retail; Clear Wholemeal.

CHARTER APPLICATION.—Notice is hereby given that under the Act of Assembly of April 22nd, 1874 and its supplement. An application to the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania will be made on the 25th day of November 1888 for the Incorporation of The Commercial Land and Improvement Company for purchase, improve, lease or otherwise dispose of Real Estate; to manufacture or market the mineral and other resources of the properties held by the said company with its principal office at Bellefonte in the county of Centre.

ANDREW BRUCKENHOFF, J. A. HARPER, L. T. HENSON, ED. HARTY, JR., ALBERT OWEN.

LEGAL NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that the second account of M. D. Rockey, Com. of Henry Rishel, assignee of Daniel Rishel, late of Miles township, and that the account of John J. Briggs, Assignee of the assigned estate of Holt and Chapman and Chapman and Holt, have been filed in my office, and that the same will be presented at the next term of Court for confirmation.

L. A. SCHAFFNER, Prothonotary.

ORPHANS' COURT OF CENTRE COUNTY.

—In the matter of the estate of Elizabeth Musselman, deceased. The undersigned, an Auditor appointed by the Court of the Administrator to and among those legally entitled to receive the same, hereby gives notice that he will meet all parties interested at his office in Bellefonte on Wednesday, December 12th, 1888, at 10 o'clock, a. m. for the purpose of his appointment, when all persons interested may appear in person.

C. P. HOFFMAN.