# The Centre Democrat.

THURSDAY, JULY 25, 1889.

CHAS. R. KURTZ . . . EDITOR

#### LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

-The nights are very dark.

-Who stole the watermelon. -Do you get the DEMOCRAT ?

-Short sermons are very appropriate this time of the year.

-A perfect nuisance-the dogs at Garman's stable.

-The Phohibition State Convention this old globe next year. The article has been called for August 28th.

-Col. J. L. Spangler is attending encampinent of the national Guards this week.

-The Bellefonte Cornet Band will accompany the Methodist pic-nic today.

-Jos. Folk is playing policeman this week while Wm. Garis is soldiering at Bedford.

-The game of base ball to be played by teams of Bellefonte and Milesburg did not take place.

-Huckleberries are plenty this season, but they sell from eight to ten cents per quart at this place.

-The family of C. U. Hoffer will move to Philipsburg next month and expect to make that their future home.

-Ed. Chambers, Esq., is keeping bachelor's hall, Mrs. Chambers and son are visiting friends in Chester county.

-The Methodist Sabbath School hold their annual summer pic-nic in Hunter's grove, along the Buffalo Run road, to-day.

-It is asserted that twenty-four of the States of the Union cast each a smaller vote than that of New York city.

-Master "Bert," son of Col. Geo. A. Bayard, who was bitten by a dog on July 5th is lying very low at his home in this place with typhoid fever. His more than another. The Bible they recovery is hoped for every day.

-Pic-nic parties by hack are a common thing every Sunday from Bellefonte. There is a portion of the Scripture that runs somewhat like this: "Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy, etc."

-A Philipsburg saloon keeper paid a dollar for a sealed envelope containing directions that would enable him to sell more beer. When he opened it he found a small card with the words""Don't sell so much froth."

-On Friday another pic-nic will be held in Hunter's Grove. The Sons of Temperance, of Milesburg, will hold their pic-nic there and invite all to join them. Hunter's Grove is quite a popular resort for pic-nic excursions. -Mr. John D. Rishel, of Philadelphia, formerly connected with Harris' drug store, paid a flying visit to Bellefonte on last Friday to see friends and former acquaintances. He left Saturday morning for Pittsburg.

## FIRE AT SPRING MILLS.

CENTRE COUNTY AHEAD.

and read of in the newspapers the one we

publish below takes the lead. The arti-

The article speaks of a religious sect

that exists in our community and is pre-

paring for the general dissolution of

as far as we have been able to ascertain

is a gross exaggeration upon the fair

name of Centre county. Our people do

not believe in anything of the kind, un-

less there may be one or two individ-

uals with their own peculiar opinions

-which they certainly are entitled to

BELLEFONTE, PA., July 19 .- It has

there is throughout Centre county, as

well as in Bellefonte, a certain mutual

organization that preach and are pre-

paring for the end of the world, which |

it is safe to estimate that there are at

least 1,000 and possibly 2,000 adherents

of this strange organization, if organiza-

tion it can be termed. So far as it was

possibly to penetrate into their work-

ings, no real perfected o ganization with

legalized officers and appointed head

could be found, but simply a mutual

association who work in great secrecy,

and who look to the most pronounced

one in their midst as the proper one to

MEMBERS OF ALL SECTS.

professors of Christianity, and members

of different denominational churches,

and no special church is represented

take for the foundation of their belief is

SIGNS OF THE END.

brought up to prove their faith is the

recent multiplicity of floods and fires,

with wars and rumors of wars, the in-

crease of crime and disaster and the

uprising of prophets and false teachers.

The association's work consists briefly

of preaching its doctrine and substanti-

ating it by practice, in making prepara-

tion for the final dissolution of this

Most prominent among the events

The majority of the adherents are

year, 1890.

lead.

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world.

hold. The following is the article :

wide by other journals.

#### Grenoble's Store and Dweiling Burged to Who Will Double his Subscription to the the Ground.

A PROPHET PREDICTS SOME Last Friday morning at about 4 STRANGE THINGS. o'clock the family of I.J. Grenoble at A New/ Sect in our County-They Believe in the building. Upon investigation was the World will Come to an end in 1890 Said to be Preparing for that Event. house and was soon extinguished; at 8 o'clock the same morning, fire broke ing, by one interested. out at the same place but was put out Among the strange things we see

without doing any further damage. Mr. Grenoble then locked up his store dist Divine, of this community, and Ed. cle appeared in the Pittsburg Times of | for the day or until the insurance men | R. Chambers, Esq., one of our promisthis week and has been copied far and could meet and adjust his loss. At 4 o'clock fire again broke out in an immense blaze and the entire building was week. The Rev. approached Mr. Chamburned to the ground.

The building was owned by W. F. Reynolds, of Bellefonte; the Grenoble store company was Mrs. Grenoble, John Rossman, Adam Bartges and Henry Krumrine, with I. J. Grenoble as man- are you well ?" ager.

The insurance on the building is \$1,000, in the Centre Hall Co., and \$3,200 in a political aspirant and have prospects other companies. Store Co. had \$2,000 of being appointed Deputy Revenue from the aforesaid owner they were on stock in Centre Hall company and \$6,000 in outside companies. Mrs. Gren- port is true." lately been runnored around here that oble had \$673 on furniture. The total insurance is \$12,873.

This store stood high on the hill and quite handy to the large Spring Mills nothing definite-prospects only." hotel. It was a large building two storthey confidently believe will be next ies high and composed a dwelling, store the most accurate date possible to obtain | a place of worship.

### The Victim of his Son's Anger,

Old Frances Rote who has been lying his body with bullets, an event that oc- the liquidation of our church debt; I week at his mountain home below Co- on you, then, can I not ?" burn.

His shot wounds caused him much pain and he was naturally very restless and partly delirious. His family did not seem to give his wants the attention he should have had and one day last week he was found lying on the floor whence he had fallen from his bed, with the wounded arm broken by the fall, and injured otherwise. This had happened in the forepart of the week and the last days of his life must have been a purgatory to him and death came like a messenger of relief .- Millheim Journal.

#### What Killed the Cows.

One day recently the merchants of Pleasant Gap received several barrels of bananas, and after unpacking them threw the grass in which they were packed in a back alley. Four cows, the property of Matthew Riddle, came that way and all eat of the grass. The next day two of the cows died and the following day the other two. An examination disclosed the fact that the grass had hardened in the stomach and the indigestion caused death. The query is now was it the kind of grass or was it the effect of posionous matter from the green banana skin ?

## A GENEROUS ASPIRANT

Church If Successful.

We take greater delight in praising the good qualities and generous deeds of our Spring Mills was awakened by smoke neighbors, than heralding abroad their faults and misgivings, and deem it found to be in the wall of the ware- proper to publish the following little incident which was related, in our hear-

> It was a short conversation which took place between a prominent Methoing young attorneys. They chanced to all: meet each other one morning of last bers when the following conversation took place: Rev: "Good morning, Mr. Chambers:

fine weather." Mr. C: "Why good morning, Rev.,

Rev. : "Quite well, thank you. By the way, Mr. Chambers, I hear you are

Mr. C.: "Thank you, Rev.: I am an aspirant for such a position, but all as-

formed that you will certainly be ap- hearing the evidence, bound the aforeroom, ware-house and a public hall, pointed. I hear this from good authori-Throughtout this county alone, from used by the Reformed congregation for ty. I would most heartily recommend of \$200 to appear and answer. C. S. W. your application as a worthy man for Jones becoming security. The next the position and would endorse the ap- | train brought the high sheriff of Centre pointment, which I know you will receive. I am interested in your success. on a bed of suffering ever since his half- In that event Mr. Chambers, you might witted and passionate son Dave riddled | feel like contributing something towards curred about four weeks ago, died last want to see that wiped out. I can call

> Mr. C.: "I never make any rash. promises, for fear of not being able to fulfil them. I make you this proposition: If I receive the appointment, I will double my subscription of last year towards the Pastor's salary. Is that fair enough ?"

At this unexpected announcement the Rev. was surprised and his face brightened up with a smile at the liberality. Reaching forward and patting Mr. C. on the back repeatedly exclaimed : "Good ! Good ! Thank you, Mr. Chambers: I certainly am interested in your success." At which Mr. Chambers gave tleman engaged him in conversation. a peculiar smile and said nothing.

Their conversation then drifted upon the invigorating breeze, fine weather, good crops and other happy subjects. The Rev. all this time being more or less uneasy when he exclaimed:

"By the way, Mr. Chambers, you will pardon me, I hope, but how much was your former subscription to the Pastor's salary ?"

Mr. C.: "Nothing, Rev."

## AN EDITOR ARRESTED.

### THE PINE GROVE MILLS RACKET THE TROUBLE.

## Trouble,-Arrested at Tyrone for Assaulting a Bellefonte Party

Last week we gave a short account of a little disturbance at Pine Grove Mills, the following written by a Tyrone correspondent, in Altoona Tribune explains

Jacob M. Kepler, of the Tionesta Herald, is unfortunately the owner of two fine farms near Pine Grove, Centre county. His tenants have been purchasing farming implements from a party dealing in these articles at Bellefonte. For some reason they supposed that the owner of the farms was responsible for the purchase made by the tenants and in an effort to obtain their claims during the visit of the owner of the farms. Collector of this district; I hope the re- ejected with some force by the owner of the farms. They did not relish this treatment and secured a warrant for the arrest of the owner of the farms and a pirations thus far are simply prospects; newspaper in Tionesta, who was overhauled on Saturday at this place and Rev.: "Well, Mr.Chambers, I am in- taken before Squire Taylor, who, after Bob that he must be mistaken in his said Jacob M. Kepler over in the sum county upon the ground, who demanded larger bail with a threat to re-arrest, but Jake being an editor and publisher was not to be caught with such chaff, and actually defied the officers of the law with success\*and unmolested departed on his homeward journey, taking his exit by fast line at 7:10. From what we can learn we are of the opinion that the editor and publisher of the Tionesta

> A slender refined-looking man was picked up by the police in Mt. Holly, of tramps most of whom have been in the jail here a dozen times. His appearance and manners were so at variance The gentlemanly tramp gave the name

of James Alford, and said that he was the nephew of James Darlington, of West Chester, Pa. His parents were is said was one of the early mayors of dead, and a year or more ago he went that city. He appeared at Lewisburg to Sanduskey, O., to seek his fortune. loaded with his wealth; repaid the \$12,-He secured a position at a moderte sal-ary, but was soon afterwards discharged cluding interest for twenty years; built and after trying vainly to secure a posi- a luxurious home for his family and retion, he started for the East on foot on stired to an easy life. Some time later the way he fell in with a party of tramps probably on account of the odium which who had treated him kindly and given | attached to him at home, he secure i him food. This led him to remain with | through Hon. Simon Cameron a posithem and become a tramp himself. Alvoid declined to leave the party and for many years. said he was going with them to Freehold. It is thought his mind is impared.

#### STRANGER THAN FICTION.

The story of a Life that Reads Like a Romance.

Many of the older citizens will rendily recail the name of Paul Geldes, who died June 29th 1889, at Lewisburg, Pa. Jacob M. Kepler of the Tionesta Herald in The heretofore unpublished story of his life has been gleaned from a private source and appears in print for the first time:

Away back in the forties Paul Geddes who was considered a wealthy merchant of Lewisburg, was entrusted with \$12,-000 in cash to deliver in Philadelphia for the Lewisburg Bank. He arrived at the Merchant's Hotel, then the leading hotel of the city, but was never seen afterwards. Owing to his good character he possessed, it was promptly decided that he had been murdered and robbed of the money, and his wife a daughter of General Green, of Lewisburg mourned him as dead. Some years later Robert Green, a brother-in-law of Geddes, was walking along the streets of Sacramento, California, when he espied a sign which read :

#### PAUL SEDDES, BROKER.

He walk-d in, extended his hand and said, "How are you, Paul ?" "How are you, Bob ?" came in response, but instantly recovering himself. Geddes told man: that he didn't know him at all. He would have nothing more to say to Green and the latter walked out thinking it would be well to give Geddes time to think the matter over. The next day he went back, but the brokers' office was closed, the sign was gone, and Geddes was seen no more. Robert Green wrote the particulars to his father at Lewisburg ,but he, believing it better for the people to think his son-in-law dead. kept the matter a secret within his own breast up to the day he lay upon his death bed, and Robert having died in Califoraia the secret was in safe hands. Before General Green died, however he placed in the hands of a particular friend. the letter from his son, which had teen carefully preserved.

Geddes went West from Sacramento to the Pacific coast upon the night after where he was associating with a gang he met Robert Green, and was never again heard of until one day, about the close of the civil war, in 1885, when he suddenly appeared at Lewisburg, Pa., with the company he was in that a gen- and walked into the presence of his wife and family !

During his twenty years' exile Geddes had prospered. He had become wealthy and influential in San Francisco, and it tion at Washington which he occupied

Herald has possession which is nine tenths in law. A Queer Choice.

-Mr. and Mrs. Bell, the photographer, departed on Tuesday morning for a short vacation to Williamsport and other eastern cities. Miss Mary Holmes is acting as general manager of the gallery. Call at Bell's gallery for your fine photographs.

-Ex-County Treasurer, D.;C. Keller, was in town several days of last week. Mr. Keller now resides on his farm several miles east of Centre Hall and devotes his time to farming and buying up cattle for sale in the eastern markets. He observed his forty-eighth birthday on Friday the 19th, by subscribing for the DEMOCRAT, the careful reading of which will insure him another year of health, peace and prosperity.

-Chas. Noll, son of Mr. John Noll, of Bellefonte, is now operating in the telephone office here in place of Mr. Troxell, who was recently transferred to Williamsport. Mr. Noll was sent to Johnstown a week after the flood for a short time and transferred from thence to this city. Miss Russell, as usual, remains at her post.-L. H. Democrat.

-The editors of Grit, published at Williamsport, have been arrested for publishing obscene and lewd matter in their paper and sending the same through the mails. The article appeared in the last issue, July 21, and is an attack upon George Keifer, of Williamsport. The publishers of that paper have learned little from past experience and continue to fill its columns with all the filth and rottenness that can be raked and scraped up over the broad land. Its very tone is degenerating and its moral standing is an eye sore in the field of journalism. It is a curse in the home circle where it contaminates the minds of the young by spreading before them every week lewd and disgusting matter. In a community it caters to the wants of low depraved minds by supplying them with the foulest tales from dens of prostitution and iniquity. Swine like, it revels in moral filth and rottenness. We sincerely hope that the publishers of Grit will receive the full benefit of the law for publishing the article in their last issue. The extermination of the low brothel sheet would be looked adjutant general's department next upon by all, as a public blessing.

The only man who could be prevailed upon to say much about the association and belief was C. D. Miller, a wealthy farmer, and one of the strongest adherents of the belief. He said :

A BELIEVER TALES.

"I believe the world will come to an end in 1890, and there are hundreds of others-more than a thousand perhaps -throughout this county that believe the same thing. This belief and association has been current for years, and must in no wise be connected with the prophecies of 'Mother Shiptof' or at y of the kind. It has sprung up solely from the teachings of the Bible, and every day is made more plain and convincing by the events occurring around us. "I tell you what it is, we all want

to think less of self or accumulating money and such other material things. and give more attention to the preparation of ourselves for the final dissolution which is sure to come."

When asked as to when he first believed the end of the world would be in 1890, he replied : "As far back as 15 years ago I prophesied that the end of the world would be in 1890, and that as it eared that time the prophecies in the Bible would befulfilled and made very plain to everyone."

THEY FORESAW FLOODS AND FIRES. Mr. Miller then called attention to the recent floods. "We believe in this doctri ne anticipated all the startling disasters that have lately occurred, though of course, wedid not know at what time or place they would occur. But all these recent floods, large fires, earthquakes, railroad accidents, increase of crime, prophecies and teachings of this later day have all been predestinated,

#### the end." KNEW THE TIME BY INSPIRATION.

and are a sure sign of the approach of

just why the year 1890 was set as the time for the end of the world, but in some unaccountable way felt certain that was the time. Mr. Miller is a wellinformed and intelligent man, and is thoroughly sincere in what he teaches. The believers' mode of work is to preach to their friends. The only object in view, so far as can be learned, was to have all prepared spiritually. In some places churches have taken up the idea and preachers are discoursing over the theme to their congregations.

-Colonel Keller, has been appointed to take charge of the transportation of veterans to Gettysburg during the monument dedicatory ceremonies in September He will begin his duties at the Monday.

#### "Grit" Prosecuted.

t aturday last George Keifer, of Williamsport appeared before United States Commissioner James H. McDevitt, of Sunbury and swore out a warrant against George W. Rainhard, Deitrick and Fred M. Lan ade, editors and publishers of the Pennsylvania Grit, for sending obscene and lewd literature through the United States mails. The warrant was placed in the hands of Simon Yeager, United States Deputy Marshal, for service. When the arrests are made the hearing will take place before Commissioner McDevitt at Sunbury some day this week.

#### Important Meeting of Executive Committee of Veteran Club,

We solicit the attention of the Executive Committee of Veteran Club of Centre county to the following call for a meeting:

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Veteran Club of Centre county will be held at the office of the Secretary in Bellefonte, on Saturday, the 27th day of July, at 2 o'clock p. m., at which business of importance will be considered. A full attendance of the committee is earnestly requested.

H. H. BENNER, Sec'y.

#### The Bucktails.

The Bucktall Association will hold its annual reunion in Philipsburg, Centre county, on August 21, 22 and 23. This determination was arrived at on last week at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the association. The Bucktails was one of the most celebrated organizations of the war, and our Mr. Miller could not definitely say friend, Mr. David Glenn, of this city, is a bright and shining member of the organization.

#### Wheat Prize,

Orange Judd & Co. publishers, offera prize of \$500 for the best acre of wheat | tions for territory from agents who are raised in the United States this year. A eager for opportunities to make "big farmer down in Lancaster reports a yield of forty-one bushels and thinks he Newspaper. will get the prize. Can any farmer in Centre county beat that? We would like to hear of the best yield in the will be held in the Reformed county.

-For wash silks, embroidery silk, rope silk, zephers, saxonys, yarns, and anything in the fancy line go to Wm. S. Meyer's Cash Bazaar, Bellefonte.

-Ruchings of every description at Meyer's Cash Bazaar.

They parted.

## Saved From an Awful Plunge.

A verry narrow escape occurred on the new trestle on the Lewisburg and Tyrone Railroad, over Penns Creek, at Paddy Monntain tunnel, last Thursday. The flange on the front pony truck broke off on the trestle, and the engine jumped the track and the wheels went off the trestle before the train was stopped. One foot more and it would have been thrown into the creek, and would have resulted in a great loss of life. A wreck train was telegraphed for from Sunbury, and replaced it.-Reporter

#### Baby Carriages Free on the Pennsylvania Raitroad

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has issued instructions to all baggage agents and haggage masters on the system east of Pittsburg and Erie to receive and carry free of cost in baggage cars baby carriages, when accompained by their owners.

This is a concession in favor of the which their parents will heartily appreciate; and it is but an other manifestation of the constant endeavor of the company to make the road attractive to everybody.

#### Dog Days.

We are now in the dog day season, which will last until Aug. 22. Dog days were so called by the Egyptian astronomers from the fact that Sirius, the day star, rose with the sun during that period, and uniting its influence with that of the sun caused extreme sickness. Dog days is the time when boils come around and put people out of patience and in a bad humor.

#### No Man Need Be Idle.

13 The subscrition books published by Faulkner & Allan, of Philadelphia, have proved exceptionally popular and profitable for agents. An announcement by them of a new work, invariably brings a great number of applicamoney."-Frank Leslie's Illustrated

#### Communion Services

Church of this place, on Sunday, at 10:30. Preparatory services on Saturday afternoon at 2:30. These services will be conducted by the Rev. Z. A. Yerick of Aaronsburg, this county. Mr. Yerick will also preach at Zion on Saturday afternoon.

Subscribe for the DEMOCRAT.

Bazaar, No. 9 Spring St. Bellefonte. -The Bellefonte Band has ordered a new uniform for summer wear. The coats are short sacks, pure white in color and made of a good quality of linen. Small caps to match the coat and the regular blue pantaloons complete the uniform which will be very pretty indeed.

-Mrs. Harriet Pifer and her accomplished daughter Miss Mary, have concluded to make Philipsburg their home, and as soon as they can find a house will go to house keeping. They will be an addition to Philipsburg's society and we give them a hearty welcome. Mrs. Pifer is an excellent christian lady and her daughter is a credit to her. She is an accomplished musician, both vocal and instrumental. Miss Mary has associated herself with Miss Etta Anders, Philipsburg's favorite musician and teacher, and the two will make a strong pair of instructors.-Journal

-The record of the destruction which water has wrought in various ways this summer is extraordinary. For many months past there has been hardly a day when there has not been some new reports of death and devastation from floods, water spouts or cloud bursts. Now comes news from Mexico that the town of Chicapa was wiped out by a waterspout and also intelligence from China that 6,000 people were destroyed by a June flood. In almost every part of the world, except the British Isles, where the newspapers for many weeks reported remarkably fine weather, there has been an unusual downfall of rain, and 1889 is likely to go into history as the wet year.

-A story is told of a colored preacher whose church had become somewhat dilapidated. The minister succeeded at last in persuading the people to decorate the walls, but funds gave out and they left a large recess behind the pulpit unimproved. The patience of the preacher gave way before this evidence of want of proper respect for the church, and at the close of his sermon one Sunday morning he very solemnly announced : "Brederen, notice is hereby given that the gospel will not be dispensed wif in dis church any moa until dis abscess behind de pulpit is fricasseed."-Christian Advocate.

At the time of his death he was in his 79th year.

-All the New Woolens for the com--Fans from Ic up to \$3.00 at the Cash ing season now being received. Liberal discount for early orders, during the dull season. Our Fall stock will be the finest we have ever shown. Prices and a good fit guaranteed.

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS,

#### ASSOCIATE JUDGE.

We are authorized to announce the name of THOMAS F. RILEY, of Harris township, as a candidate for Associate Judge, subject to the decision of of the Democratic County Conven-tion.

#### PROTHONOTARY.

We are authorized to announce the name o L. A. SCRARTFER, of Bellefonte, Pa., as a can didate for Prothonotary, subject to the decis ion of the Democratic County Convention.

we are authorized to announce the name of M. I. GARDNER, Howard Boro., Pa., as a candi-date for Prothonotary, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

OFFICE OF THE BALDEAGLE Valley Railroad Company, 233 South Fourth street, Philadelphia, July 10, 1889.

### NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.

A special meeting of the stockholders of this company is called to be held at 233 S. Fourth street Philadelphia, on Thursday, July 25, 1869, at 11 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of consider-ing a nd adopting or rejecting an agreement of consolidation and merger of the Beliefonte Nittany and Lemont Railroad Company with and into the Bald Eagle Valley Railroad Com-pany. By order of the ALBERT HEWSON Board of Directors. Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE BELLEFONTE Nittany and Lemont Railroad Co., outh Fourth street, Philadelphia, July 10,

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS. A special meeting of the stockholders of this Company is called to be held at 255 S. Fourth street Philadelphia on Thursday, July 25th, 1889, at 12 o'clock m., for the purpose of con-sidering and adopting or rejecting an agec-ment of consolidation and merger of the Relle-fonte, Nittany and Lemont Railroad Company with and into the Bald Eagle Valley Railroad Company, By order of the ALBERT HEWSON Board of Directors. Secretary.

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