

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION: Regular Price \$1.50 per year. If paid in advance \$1.00

CLUB RATES: THE CENTRE DEMOCRAT one year for \$1.75 and the twice-a-week World one year for \$1.45

The New Racket.

No. 9 and 11, CRIDER EX., BELLEFONTE, PA.

"Ring out the old! Ring in the new!" is very good, but the last line of the verse is better and, after the "Fibre Chamouis" expose of last week, is more appropriate: "Ring out the false! Ring in the true!"

Just In--A Big Snap for Farmers Bushel Baskets..13c

We struck a bargain--U get the benefit--but U must cut out this advertisement and bring it with U to get one. Have only sixty. Kom quick.

Tin Fruit Cans Home-made 40 cents a Dozen

Do U know we keep mouldings for picture frames and make it up for U on short notice?

The ladies say we have the best line of Fancy Silks in town.

G. R. SPIGLEMYER, SHEM SPIGLEMYER, JR.

LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

October 4th, Friday of next week, is the last day to register.

The fire works at the Grange picnic, fast week, had not been previously advertised.

Mrs. Hastings, wife of the Governor, accompanied by daughter Sarah, are visiting friends in Bellefonte.

Democrats in every voting precinct, should see to it that the registration of democrats is completed. Friday October 4th is the last day.

Alfred Rishel, T. J. Nelly and Isaac Miller, each lost a valuable horse on Monday from colic. Feeding new oats may have been the cause of the trouble.

Merchant John Roundtree paid us a visit on Monday and had his label changed to Dec. 96. That gave him a premium coupon for 15 votes in the Normal scholarship contest.

Mrs. Michael Ward, who has been ill at her home on Logan street for many months with consumption, died on Saturday evening. She is survived by a husband and three small children.

Up to this time nothing has been done about the nail works, since they were leased to James Bailey, of Harrisburg. No improvements or anything in sight to indicate an early resumption of the plant.

Last Saturday Edward Cowdrick arrived home from Niagara Falls, N. Y. where he had lain ill with severe attack of typhoid fever for over eight weeks. He is still in a delicate condition, but slowly regaining strength.

This Thursday, argument will be made before Judge Love to compel the county commissioners to revise their assessment of certain properties in Bellefonte boro. Many claim that their valuations are unfair. Everybody who was advanced is kicking.

Mr. Louis Doll, the shoe dealer, on Bishop street, has an advertisement in another column announcing that on account of failing health he must retire from business and has inaugurated a Closing Out Sale. Everything in his shoe store must be sold, regardless of cost.

During the past week there has been considerable talk in favor of starting the county fair. Last year considerable money was subscribed and plans formulated but nothing definite was accomplished. They propose to take up the work where they left off last winter. Bellefonte could make a county fair a success.

Our readers will find a few changes in this issue of the paper. A number of home advertisements are carried on inside pages. The character of the reading matter has also been somewhat changed. There will be more to follow. Look out for the new CENTRE DEMOCRAT ere long. As stated sometime ago, we are making improvements as we move along.

Rev. M. C. Garbelian, a minister and native of Armenia, delivered an interesting discourse in the Presbyterian church, on Sunday evening. He spoke of Armenia, its people, their customs and religion. He gave an account of the frightful atrocities committed in that land by the Turks during the past year, and plead for the intervention of this nation for the future protection of those people.

KILLED A HUGE PANTHER.

A Centre county Lad Brings down Royal Game.

WAS GUNNING FOR SQUIRRELS

The Plucky Telegraph Operator in the Face of the Forest Monster, Loaded his Gun and Fired--Was killed near Snow Shoe.

From the Philadelphia Record. A huge panther, the first one killed in Pennsylvania for many years, and one of the largest ever seen in the Allegheny mountains, was shot near Clarence, this county, on Saturday. A telegraph operator, Charles H. Watson, at Clarence station, is the heroic young hunter who brought down this royal game. It was a dangerous encounter, as the panther is the most formidable and ferocious beast that inhabits the forests of North America.

Young Watson is only 18 years old and left the telegraph station at Clarence, on the Beech Creek railroad, near Snow Shoe, which is located in one of the wildest spots of the Allegheny mountains. Between trains the young man went into the woods to hunt squirrels. He took with him a small dog and a double barrel breech loading shotgun. When about a mile from the station the dog set up a tremendous barking in a nearby thicket and Watson went to shoot the squirrel he supposed had been treed. He was not prepared for the sight he met on reaching the spot. There on the ground, not a hundred feet distant, crouched a huge panther, purring like a cat and lashing its tail in fury at the dog. On the boy's approach the animal turned its attention to him.

SHOT THE PANTHER DEAD. Watson has often seen dangerous wild animals in menageries, but this was quite a different meeting. However, though frightened till he trembled, he did not lose his nerve or presence of mind. Hastily taking from his gun the squirrel shot cartridge, he slipped in one of buckshot, and dropping on one knee, took steady aim. He fired just as the animal was in the act of springing toward him. One of the shots entered the panther's eye, penetrated the brain and killed him dead.

When measured the panther proved to be thirty feet long and weighed nearly 300 pounds. It was the finest specimen of this animal ever seen or heard of in these parts, and it was the first and it is claimed, the only panther killed in the Alleghenies in twenty years.

For a number of years past farmers near the mountain have been greatly troubled in having stock carried away, and now it is supposed this was the beast that committed the depredations and was always to wily too be caught.

The body has already been sent to a taxidermist to be prepared and stuffed.

The above information was telephoned from Snow Shoe to Bellefonte to Robt. F. Hunter at the commissioners office, by Wm. R. Haynes, the noted hunter and trout fisherman of that section. Early on Sunday, Hunter and Charley Richards, mounted their silent steeds and peddled up the mountain to Snow Shoe. Hunter has very little to say since, except that "one of Col. Dunham's Liars Clubs should be organized in that community with Bill Haynes as chief high mucky muck."

It turns out that this panther story was a fake from beginning to end. This was learned after the above was in type. Billy Haynes deserves the chromo.

Purchased a Lot. On Monday Mr. Frank Naginey, the undertaker, purchased the lot on High street between A. C. Mingle and Dr. Dorworth's residence, from C. M. Bower, Esq. It is Mr. Naginey's intention to build a residence there next summer. He will begin operations at once for a stable.

Accident in a Saw Mill. Willard Myers, of Nittany valley, while at work in Kleckner's saw mill last Saturday, met with a painful accident. He was using a cant hook for the purpose of throwing a belt off, when in some way or other the hook caught in his high hand, tearing and lacerating it severely.

A Brakeman Killed. A dreadful fate Friday overtook Brakeman Hamilton. He had dismounted from a Buffalo & Rochester railroad train at Big Run, near Dubois, to turn a switch. His foot was caught in a frog cap, and he was unable to extricate it. An oncoming train could not be stopped, and Hamilton was cut in two.

Leased a Hotel. Mr. John Brown and his uncle, Samuel Shaeffer, of Madisonburg, leased the Columbus Hotel, of Lock Haven, and will take charge of the same at once. This is a good hotel stand where we hope they may abundantly prosper.

Destroyed the Fish Dams. The Sheriff of Centre county made a trip down the Bald Eagle creek Monday as far as the Clinton county line and destroyed a number of fish dams.

Lyon & Co's store will be closed Friday Sept. 27th, at 6 p. m. and, will open Saturday Sept. 28th, at 6 p. m.

THE GRANGE PICNIC.

Bad Weather Again Interfered--A Bad Storm on Thursday.

Last Thursday was an eventful day at the Grange picnic. The early part of the week opened with continued rain and cloudy weather. On Thursday the sun came up radiant and bright, and shone over a cloudless sky. There was promise of an ideal picnic day at last. From every section, town and hamlet, for many miles around, people began to wend their way towards Centre Hall. The early morning trains were crowded and unable to carry all the passengers. Private conveyances crowded the public roads so that by noon probably the largest crowd ever seen there was on the ground. At noon the heat was intense, a hot wave made everybody swelter. At about 2 p. m. dark clouds appeared in the western horizon. They grew heavier, darker, and soon covered the sky with a most threatening aspect. Deep, low rumblings and brilliant flashes of vivid lightning told that a terrible storm was coming. People began to rush for quarter and shelter. Many were alarmed about their conveyance lest the horses might be stampeded. In a few minutes it became almost dark, the rain came down in torrents and the wind blew with great force. Glittering flashes of lightning added to the terror, while the peals of thunder shook the buildings. It was a terrible storm, the like of which was probably never experienced in that section.

When the storm subsided Geo. Neighborhood's frame house, near the picnic ground, was found to be on fire from a flash of lightning. It was burned to the ground, but much of the furniture was saved. It was fully insured. Reuben Meek, a son of D. L. Meek, of Waddies Station, was near the house when the flash came and was knocked down and remained unconscious for some time. Several horses were also knocked down. A flash passed over the telegraph wire and knocked the operator off his chair at the Centre Hall station, and burned out the instrument. People on the ground were almost panic stricken, and many were drenched to the skin. The rain kept up during the afternoon.

Friday was the only real clear day for the picnic and the attendance was quite large. In the afternoon Dr. Frear and C. H. Murray delivered addresses in the auditorium that were listened to with much interest. Saturday forenoon a fair sized crowd was present, but everybody was preparing to leave. The fakirs, merry-go-rounds and other side shows did a very poor business, and many lost money. The weather was entirely against them. In the line of exhibits there was less than on former occasions. The picnic, this year, was again spoiled by bad weather.

Frosted Corn. Nearly all the corn fields in our county were damaged by the early frost on Sunday the 15th. The fodder has turned yellow and is dead. Such a frost does no injury to the ear which is well filled out, but it destroys the fodder for feeding. Cattle do not relish corn fodder that has been killed by an early frost. It seems to destroy all the nourishment in it. Most of the corn fields in our county were thus affected.

Blame to Paper Mill. A dispatch from Huntingdon says that the farmers along the Juniata river in that county now believe that many deaths of cattle, heretofore attributed to Texas fever, were caused by the pollution of the water of that stream by refuse matter dumped into it from the Tyrone paper mill. They will accordingly petition the state board of health for protection from this source of trouble.

Prices at the Market. The prices at the Saturday's Lock Haven market, were as follows: butter 22 to 25 cents per pound, eggs 15 cents per dozen, potatoes 30 to 40 cents a bushel, apples 40 cents a bushel, peaches 40 to 60 cents a peck, tomatoes 40 cents a bushel, corn 8 cents a dozen, lima beans 10 cents a quart, chicken 50 to 60 cents a pair, dressed 30 to 35 cents each.

Two Horses Killed. The barn of "Dob" Confer, near Beech Creek, was struck by lightning Thursday morning. Two horses were killed by the stroke, and the complete destruction of the barn by fire was prevented by the help of Mr. Confer's neighbors.

More Big Potatoes. Edward Moore, of Nittany Valley, is perhaps the champion potato grower of Clinton county this year. He can show ten potatoes that will fill a half bushel measure. Many of the tubers he has grown weigh four pounds each.

Central Railroad Traffic. The Central railroad, between Mill Hall and Bellefonte, during the month of August hauled 100,000 tons of freight over its tracks and carried 15,000 passengers, an average of over 500 a day.

Bought a Mill. Gingerich's Oak Hall flouring mill has been sold to ex-recorder John Rupp, an experienced miller.

Abraham Harris, L. D. D., president of Maine State College, was a guest at the home of John P. Harris during the past week.

A BATCH OF BREEZY LETTERS

Gathered by a Corps of Alert Correspondents.

FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTY

What is Going on Outside of Bellefonte--Happenings in other Communities--Favorable Crop Reports--Other Interesting Items.

PLEASANT GAP ITEMS.

Death of Mrs. Elizabeth Jacobs--Other Personal Mentions.

Mr. Mulfinger contemplates resuming operations in his distillery soon. Miss Julia, the bright and accomplished daughter of Rev. G. P. Sarvis, of Port Matilda, was a visitor in our town last week.

NEW FENCE--Jas. Kerstetter has added to the appearance of his home by placing a new iron fence along his yard. Wm. Sampsel and wife, of Tyrone, were visiting their parents during the past week in this place.

NEW HOUSE--The turnpike company proposes building a new house at the upper end of town, to be occupied by the parties authorized to solicit toll.

Mrs. E. F. Zeigler, of Madisonburg, spent picnic week with her mother in this town.

Miss Myrtle Hile returned home Saturday from a four weeks visit in Harrisburg.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hoy expects to leave Monday for the west.

Mrs. Alexander, of Lewistown, is the guest of Miss Annie Brooks for the past week or more.

John Griffith is fitting up a new wagon, to be used in the milk business.

John Zeigler, of Spring Mills, spent Sunday in our town.

The farmers are at present busily engaged in cutting off corn. The corn crop is one that has not been surpassed in many years.

DEATH OF ELIZABETH JACOBS--Death has again entered our quiet village and laid its cold hand on one of our aged and estimable citizens, Mrs. Elizabeth Jacobs. Mrs. Jacobs, whose illness dates back for more than a year, was born Sept. 7, 1818, consequently she was over 77 years old. The deceased was a member of the M. E. church for more than twenty years. She was a widow, her husband preceding her to the grave more than ten years ago. She was a resident of this community nearly all her life, and will be much missed. The interment took place in the Zion cemetery.--Lewistown papers please copy.

HOWARD TOPICS.

Another Victory for the Howard Base Ball Team--Personal Mentions.

Frank Dughenbaugh and Charles Candy, arrived home on last Saturday.

Wm. Long, of Jacksonville, lost a valuable horse on Monday. Died of old age.

BELLEFONTE BEATEN--The game of ball, which was played in this place on last Saturday between Howard and Bellefonte, was very interesting from beginning to end. The score was 16 to 5, in favor of Howard in the 7th inning when a general wrangle took place. The Howard team have just about made up their minds that they can play ball, and if there are any good ball teams that want a game all they need do is to write to W. P. Mitchell, manager.

PICK UPS ON THE GAME--McLaughlin got a bad cut on the head. Parks Bro's., played an all around good game. Anson played his usual good game. Hunkey can play first. O. K. Mart batted well. Gardner played very well. Reeder was all right. Archie did well. Brickley umpired the game for Howard. Our team expect to play at Bellefonte, on Saturday.

QUARTERLY MEETING--The Christian congregation will hold a quarterly meeting, in their church, beginning on Friday Sept. 27, and continuing over Sunday. There are quite a number of able ministers to be present from a distance. Every one should attend.

Charley Smith, son of John Smith, got one of his toes mashed while playing with a cow bar in W. H. Long's flour mill.

Mrs. Dr. Dorworth was visiting her daughter Alice, over Sunday.

Miss Anna Lucas arrived home last Saturday.

Dowdy was at home over Sunday.

Mr. Wm. Henderson moved in to his own home on Grove St. one day last week.

Rev. Wm. Long and family, are visiting a few weeks with his father Mr. J. Z. Long.

PINE GROVE MILLS.

An Old Citizen Passes Away--Heavy Storm--Passing Mentions.

HEAVY STORM--Thursday's storm was the heaviest that has passed over this section for many years. Last week was a dull one in town as nearly all were in attendance at the Grange picnic, at Centre Hall.

TWINS--Mr. Whitmer is again happy because last week his wife presented him with twin babies, a boy and a girl. Both mother and children are getting along nicely. Mr. Whitmer's family now consists of eight boys and two girls.

DEATH OF MR. HOUSEMAN--Death has again been in our little town and removed an old land mark, in the person of Andrew Houseman. Mr. Houseman had been in delicate health for some time, but not dangerously ill until a few days before his death. He has had the distinction for some time of being the oldest citizen of our town, his age being 83 years. The remains were taken to Altoona for burial.

James Hammer, of Altoona, is visiting his aged father on Main street and shaking old cronies by the hand. He also took in the Grange picnic.

Farmers are busy cutting corn, which is much injured by late frosts. Andrew Tate left on Monday morning to begin his winter term of school at

Houersville. We also understand he expects to teach a class at Lemont in the evenings in Latin and Greek. We wish him success.

Jacob Kepler, one of our boss farmers, left on Monday for Tionesta and Pittsburg on a business and pleasure trip. He expects to be absent about two weeks. During his absence his son William will look after his two fertile farms.

ZION BOOMING.

A Number of Weddings Have Occurred lately--More who are old enough to get married.

A BOOM--Zion has been booming for the last few weeks in the shape of weddings. Recently a quiet home wedding occurred at the home of Dr. P. S. Fisher, his only daughter being married to Mr. Nelson Robb, station agent at Nittany. But this does not end the boom. Last Tuesday evening Zion was made lively with music from tin horns, sea shells, etc., trying to entertain Lyman Bickel, a son of Isaac Bickel, who was married to Miss Hannah Pierce, a charming young lady who has lived with Mr. John Eby during the past summer. And still it goes on. On Thursday of last week, while a great many people were attending the picnic at Centre Hall, Wm. H. Corman, son of Michael Corman, and Miss Cora Garbrick, daughter of Emanuel Garbrick, drove to Bellefonte and had Rev. Garheart perform the ceremony, after which they took a trip of several days to visit friends in Pennsylvania. They returned on Saturday evening to attend the reception given by the bride's parents, and also to enjoy the music of the Galinnumpan band. After the bride and groom made their appearance the serenaders received the treat given them and marched off to Zion, took a short rest, and then proceeded to the home of Mr. K. rider to furnish music for another wedding party that was stopping there that night. The bridal party were Geo. Braungard, of Salona, and Miss Sadie Royer, of Lamar. We do not know of any other doings of the kind just spoken of, but there are several boys living right in Zion who are plenty old enough to get married, and who should have doubled up long ago--how about that, "Bill"?

Farmers are busy cutting their corn, which is a good crop. The potato crop is also large and prices very low. The apple crop is also fair. Rev. Garheart will hold his annual harvest home service at Zion in two weeks from next Sunday. Torsy.

SPRING MILLS JOTTINGS.

Labour Savers--Two Farms Sold--Comers and Goers the Past Week.

TOO LAZY--There are some people in this community, always complaining that there is no work for the poor. Just ask them once for a days work, they never have time then. If they do work, they want two prices for it.

GOING TO JOHNSTOWN--John Huss, from Johnstown, is home for a few days stay with his family. He expects to move to Johnstown in a couple of weeks.

C. P. Long is taking a business trip to Altoona, Johnstown, Pittsburg, Lake Erie, Lorain and West Virginia. Success go with you.

Ormsby Eberts and family, from Bellefonte, visited friends and relatives in this section.

Miss Maggie Wagner and Ruth Snyder, from Houtzdale, spent the week with Smith Bro's.

W. H. Atlas and family, formerly of this place, now from Altoona, spent the week with his aged parents, and many friends. Come again, William.

Quite a number will attend the Lewisburg fair.

FARMS SOLD--Last Saturday the Adam Grenoble, Est., was sold. Mr. Waltz, from Nittany Valley, bought the farm east of town, and J. A. Grenoble the one about one mile west.

M. L. Smith, of Johnstown, is here with his brothers. He is a hustler, and a good democrat.

Miss Mary Huss, from Phila., is home spending her vacation with her parents.

Wilbur Wagner, from Martha, was here visiting his sister Mrs. Will Smith.

Mrs. Prof. C. R. Neff, of Centre Hall, is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Sarah Zigler.

Mr. Pete Zigler, from Ind., who has not been here for nineteen years, is visiting Mrs. Sarah Zigler, and friends in Penns, Brush, and Nittany Valleys. Boy.

MILESBURG NEWS.

Quite a number of our citizens attended the Grangers Picnic, at Centre Hall last week.

Quite a number of our young people attended the festival at Curtins last Saturday night. From all accounts they had a delightful time.

Miss Catharine Stoner, of Salona, is here visiting Miss Edith Elise.

The M. E. Church, of this place, will hold a supper next Saturday evening for the benefit of the church. Every body invited.

Joseph, hereafter, when your friends come to see you, be sure and give them their breakfast in the morning before they start.

Mr. Britton Sharpe, of Dow City, Iowa, after a short visit here to see his father Mr. Elijah Sharpe, returned home on Tuesday morning of this week.

(Correspondence continued on 5th page.)

Bellefonte Grain Market.

Table with columns for grain types (Red wheat, Rye, Corn, Oats, Barley, Buckwheat, Ground plaster) and prices. Includes a note: Corrected weekly by Geo. W. Jackson & Co.

PROVISIONS, GROCERIES & C. (as corrected weekly by Bauer & Co.)

Table with columns for food items (Apples, Cherries, Beans, Onions, Butter, Tallow, Country shoulders, Hams, Breakfast Bacon, Lard, Eggs, Potatoes, Dried Sweet Corn) and prices.



YOUR BOY is at school and now, more than ever, will you feel the need of good clothing for him. No matter how careful your boy may be, he is more or less hard on clothes. They all are. You can supply him with the best just as easy as an inferior make.

The Mrs. Jane Hopkins make of childrens clothing are considered by all first class dealers, the best made. The seams are all stayed, double knees and seats and patent waist bands, and always made of the class material that guarantees wear. We have them in all wool suits from \$3 up. See us and we will fit your boy out for less and better than you have ever had it done before.

A FOOT BALL given away with every \$3 clothing purchase for the boys



Joined the Regular Army. Private E. B. Clymer, of Lock Haven, and E. T. Parker, of Sugar Valley, both members of Company H. enlisted in the regular army at Harrisburg. The men left Governor's Island, N. Y. last week, where they will be stationed and will serve as heavy artillerymen.



WHEN YOU VISIT BELLEFONTE

Take the time to visit this store and look over the superb stock in every department. Your visit to the store may be the means of defraying the whole expense of your trip to the city. Others have had such experience here--why not you?

Black Dress Goods. It would be impossible to keep abreast of the present demand for Black Mohairs, Serges and Sicilians had not a long look ahead and a clear discernment of present conditions led to ample provision long in advance.

BETTER BLACK GOODS. Pick up any one of the half hundred styles shown here and you will find a texture, dye and finish that are vastly ahead of the ordinary article. Careful buying does it for you, for us, and the prices are at this low level.

Garman's.