

HAPPENINGS IN BELLEFONTE.

Local Events Briefly Told in a Few Lines.

PERSONALS, SOCIAL EVENTS.

What has Transpired During the Past Week—Movements of our People—What the Local Scribe saw worthy of mention—A week's local news in a few words.

—Clearance sale at Lyon & Co's. store.

—Applicants for liquor licenses are filing their petitions with the prothonotary.

—Lyon & Co., have something important to say in another column. Clearance sale.

—Attorney W. Harrison Walker transacted business at Salona and Look Haven on Saturday.

—Mr. John Steninger, coal dealer, of Middleburg, Pa., visited editor Harter over Sunday.

—There is quite a rush for sale bills, at this office. Our work is the best and prices will suit.

—Lyon & Co., have slaughtered prices on all winter goods. See their advertisement on page 8.

—The Auditors statement for Centre county will be issued about the second week of February.

—The chart for the Undine Band entertainment will be open on Friday, at Parrish's drug store.

—Prothonotary W. F. Smith is still the proprietor of the Howard Hornet and anxious to secure a purchaser.

—On Monday no session of council was held owing to a lack of a quorum. Only a four members were present.

—On Saturday, Col. W. Fred Reynolds home was made to rejoice over the announcement of a prattling boy.

—"Othello" to-night, at the opera house. An attraction worth seeing and presented by a strong company.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Scavendyke expect to make Baltimore, Md., their home and are arranging for their departure.

—On Sunday evening no services were held in the Presbyterian church owing to the indisposition of their pastor, Dr. Laurie.

—Bellefonte people should see "Othello" to-night. It is an attraction of high order and presented by a strong company.

—Shaffer, the photographer, arrived home from Altoona on Tuesday, where he did a rushing business during the holidays.

—Frank P. Blair, the jeweler, has undertaken to put the Court House clock in repair, so that it will be in better shape in the future.

—It is the general opinion that H. S. Taylor should be continued as tax-collector in this borough. He has been a good man in that place.

—The presentation of Othello, at the opera house, to-night, will positively be something good and should receive liberal patronage of our people.

—Considerable interest was manifested in the hearing of the contest proceedings, on Saturday. It also is interesting to note the comments of the public.

—Edward P. Butts, of Holyoke, Mass., and Wm. Butts, of Philadelphia, arrived home on Saturday, being called by the serious illness of their father D. M. Butts.

—During the past week the Garman House has been fitted throughout with electric light. This is a decided improvement and adds to the convenience of that hotel.

—Ex-postmaster H. C. Warfield, of Phillipsburg was in town on Tuesday attending to business. He is now engaged in his former business, that of tinner and plumber.

—Mr. Zimmerman, of Hecla, was in town on Tuesday with three fine bear skins. He was trying to dispose of them and the price asked was not less than \$20 a piece.

—Mr. James McClain and family expect to move to Spangler, Pa., this coming spring and will make that place their future home, where Mr. McClain is engaged in business.

—Should Gov. Hastings be appointed Post Master General, as rumor has it, some of the applicants for the Bellefonte postoffice would not be in it. No names have been mentioned.

—Company B, N. G. P., will be inspected at Bellefonte, March 8, in the evening. Captain Taylor is making a special effort to have his men in first class trim for that event.

—Arrangements are being made for the reproduction of the Drummer Boy of Shiloh, the first week in February. Our people will have little difficulty in reproducing this war drama.

—Don't forget the entertainment in the opera house on next Tuesday evening, by the Undine Band. They will have the assistance of some of the best musical talent in this part of the State.

—Mrs. Mary Sol, of Logan street, while out in her yard last Tuesday evening, fell and broke her arm between the elbow and the shoulder. She is quite an old lady, being in her seventy second year. She suffers a great deal of pain.

IN THE COURT HOUSE.

Legal Intelligence Gathered from Various Offices.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

- Ellery Parsons, Union
Anna McDonald, Ferguson
William V. Takash, Clarence
Mary Lisko,
Anthony C. Strettauater, Hastings
Catherine Fahey, Snow Shoe
Hiram A. Long, Walker
Jennie A. Decker,
Monroe R. Kreamer, Bellefonte
Ellie Carsons, Clearfield
Henry P. Shook, Williamsport
Mrs. Matilda C. Zeigler, Bellefonte
Edwin D. Roan, Spring
Ellen Lowry,

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

J. W. O. Housman et al, Trustees to Trustees of M. E. church, Kreamersville, Pa., May 6, 1893; for tract of land in Miles twp; for \$570.

James A. Houser et ux, to William R. From, Dec. 31, 1896; for tract of land in Spring twp; for \$500.

Jacob Ripka to Centre Hall Water Co. Aug. 1, 1896; for house and lot in Centre Hall Boro; for \$1200.

Rev. W. H. Groh et ux, to Lot. W. Kimport, Dec. 10, 1896; for two tracts of land in Harris twp, containing 139. a. for \$2400.

Jane Nyman to Elizabeth Kelly, Aug. 19, 1886; for tract of land in Boggs twp; for \$140.

W. Fred Reynolds et ux, to Joseph L. Montgomery, Dec. 31, 1896; for lot in Bellefonte Boro; for \$1.

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION.

To Wm. Pealer, Spring Mills, upon the estate of Samuel Crawford, dec'd, late of Penn township.

To David C. Hall upon the estate of W. Miles Scholl, dec'd, late of Union township.

Profits in Cornstalks.

Edwin S. Cramp, of the Philadelphia ship building firm, has completed plans for the opening of a factory at Rockford, Ill., for the manufacture of ship padding and cattle fodder from cornstalks, a patent for which was recently granted him.

Before the harvesting of the next crop it is expected that several factories will be erected in the corn belt, and material which has been heretofore practically worthless will become a source of revenue to the farmers. Mr. Cramp stated that he had just contracted with the American Spirits manufacturing company to feed their cattle with the substance prepared from the pith, and a portion of the cornstalk crop of 1897 will be used by them.

"We intend to invest a large amount of capital in making use of the inventions, and build factories from year to year in favorable locations throughout the west, so that there will be no expense for transportation to most of those who sell us their product."

Mr. Cramp said that the price to be paid for the stalks will be \$2 a ton.

The Natural Gas Supply.

One of the last reports sent out by the late Joseph D. Weeks was an able and exhaustive one on the supply of natural gas and its decline, from which it appears that the supply has fallen to half in seven years. In 1888 the value of the gas produced was \$27,629,875. In 1895 it was \$13,006,650. In Pennsylvania the fall has been much greater than in Ohio and Indiana. In 1888 the gas product in Pennsylvania was worth \$19,281,375; in 1895 it was \$5,852,000. The decrease has been less rapid since 1891, owing to the general introduction of meters, but it has gone on at the rate of about 5 per cent a year. As the product shrinks rapidly when the pressure falls, it may not be over 10 or 15 years before very little gas is produced.

More Trouble.

The borough of Howard erected water works about three years ago. In doing so a small strip of land was purchased for a reservoir from Mr. John McElwain for \$50. The land could not be used for any other purpose. Mr. McElwain had formerly sold this land to Mrs. Frank of Philadelphia, who gave her check for the same, which was no good. Mrs. Frank soon afterwards returned the deed to McElwain, who then sold the narrow strip to the borough. Now, Mrs. Frank entered suit against the borough for the land, claiming \$500 damage.

Clearfield Scalp Bonanzas.

The Clearfield commissioners paid \$784.75 on scalp bonanzas in the year 1895, and \$211 in the year 1896. The Cooper township citizen who had the good fortune to probate more than a hundred wildcat scalps in 1895, seemed to have a great falling off in 1896, but still he took away 75 per cent of the amount paid on scalps.

Good Showing.

The Millheim Electric Telephone Company held their first annual meeting last Tuesday. The majority of the stockholders were in attendance. A dividend of 10 per cent was declared on the stock, and the company enters upon its second year with a good financial showing.

Public Meeting.

The next open meeting of the Bellefonte Prohibition club will be held on Tuesday evening, February 22, when it is expected Rev. Mr. Robbins, pastor of the M. E. church at Salona, Clinton county, will be present to deliver an address.

BOROUGH POLITICS.

Some of the Movements Among Local Politicians.

On Saturday evening the democrats and republicans will hold their caucus meetings to place in nomination their candidates for the coming spring election.

In our borough there is some stir among the politicians. For Chief Burgess the democrats will likely place the name of Hammond Sechler in nomination; E. R. Chambers, Esq., will be the republican candidate.

For tax collector the name of Hugh S. Taylor, Esq., will be on the democratic ticket while Harry Pontius, Wm. Hillibish, Steward Brouse and Steele Hunter are each said to be casting a wistful eye in that direction.

Charles Cooke will be the republican candidate for borough treasurer, and we know of no democrat who will be against him.

For Overseer of the Poor there are three democratic candidates: Robert Hepburn, Daniel Eberhart and John Trafford. Samuel Gault, republican, is the only one on that side after the position.

Three new councilmen are to be elected as the following retire, unless recalled: S. H. Williams, West Ward; Benj. Shaffer, North Ward and Henry Brockerhoff, South Ward.

The following school directors terms expire: John P. Harris, North Ward; Chas. Smith, South Ward; John I. Olewine, West Ward.

In the "Bloody South" Ward trouble is again brewing, and there promises to be the usual tearing up among the boys and somebody will likely get left. At this time predictions are of no account.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

—Rev. George Zehner, pastor of the Evangelical church, at this place, has tendered his resignation.

—Miss Minnie Brew has opened her dancing school at this place and has quite a large number of children in it.

—Mr. Scott Houser, of this place, is the inventor of a patent springless lock in which he thinks there are millions. It is said to be a good thing.

—The Millheim Journal had the misfortune to "pi" one of the pages of their paper as they were going to press last week. That is a muss that few can appreciate the annoyance caused. The paper came out one day late in consequence.

—The rooms vacated recently by Wm. McClure on High street, next to the Centre County bank, will be enlarged and improved and when finished will be used by Jacob Gross for a tailoring establishment. He is now located on Bishop street and finds a larger room necessary for his increasing business.

—Little Edna Haine, the seven year old daughter of Wm. Haines, who lives in the Beaver and Hoy row along the pike, met with quite a serious accident. She attempted to climb a fence into a vacant lot near her home, when she slipped and fell and was caught in the barb wire, which was strung along the fence, cutting a gash in her leg below the knee five inches long.

HAPPILY WEDDED.

On Tuesday at 11 a. m., an interesting marriage ceremony was performed at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Bower, in this place. The contracting parties were Mrs. Matilda C. Zeigler, of Bellefonte, a sister of Mrs. C. M. Bower, and Henry P. Shook, of Williamsport. The ceremony was performed by Rev. I. H. Eisenburg, of Centre Hall. The wedding was attended only by immediate friends and a few invited guests. After the ceremony was performed, the wedding feast followed and was in keeping with the occasion and such as Mrs. Bower knows how to serve.

The bride and groom departed on the evening train for a trip to Niagara Falls and other points. After which they will be at home at Williamsport. Mr. Shook is master bridgebuilder for the Northern Central Railroad and has held this position for some years.

Death of a Child.

The Angel of Death entered the quiet little village of Pleasant Gap, on Saturday the 16 inst., and stole away the darling babe of James Kerstetter. Mary Elizabeth for that was her name, had but a short stay on earth, being only 3 months and 21 days old, but it seemed to be her mission to tear loose early in life, and bear away with her to Heaven the cords of love that had been fastened about her. She can not return, but some day you may go to her and reunite those cords nevermore to be severed.

"Sleep on my darling, sleep! Thy soul is at rest. We shall meet you by and by. In the sweet land of Rest!"

Secretary Cota Married.

Mr. Frank T. Cota, secretary of the V. M. C. A., was married on Tuesday to Miss Stone, a young lady who resides in New Haven, Connecticut. When Mr. Cota returns with his bride they will occupy the Rankin residence at the corner of Howard and Spring streets, which has been repaired for their reception.

Fine Hams, Breakfast Bacon, Dried Beef, large new Mackerel, Salt, coarse or fine, 14 lb., 28 lb., 56 lb., 140 lb., bags and 280 lb. bbls. Sechler & Co.

OTHELLO TO-NIGHT.

The Promise of a First Class Attraction at the Opera House.

To those unaccustomed to witness a New York production of a play, with its scenery, costumes and entire ensemble historically correct, and used only to seeing the worn and familiar stage settings of their provincial theatre, the production of "Othello," to be given by Eiliu R. Spencer, at the Garman Opera House this Thursday evening will come as a revelation. Not only is every costume, armor, wig, shoe and sandal worn in the play a complete reproduction of the exact costume of the time, but every one of the ten scenes of the play an exact and faithful representation of the locality where the scene is laid. This has been a tremendous undertaking, and in the accomplishing of it, a vast outlay of money has been required, so large that it would seem almost folly to expend such a sum on scenery alone. But Mr. Spencer knew what he was about, and the knowledge that in witnessing his performance of "Othello" on this evening an auditor will not only have a perfect performance of Shakespear's great work, but also see before his gaze an exact reproduction of every scene in the play, including the Council Chamber at Venice, The Bridge of Sighs, The Harbor and City of Famagusta, Othello's Chamber in the Portress, The Famous Desdemona's Bed Chamber, etc., as well as the exacting costuming and dress of the medieval period will make his production of the play a thousand times more attractive than if, like other tragedians, depended solely upon his own powers to draw an audience. Mr. Spencer is a great actor, but he does not, like some great actors, believe that because a city may have a fiftieth as much population as New York, it should be given a slovenly and indifferent performance, while exacting New York rates of admission. Mr. Spencer should be commended for the stand he has taken, and that he will receive the patronage of the good people of Bellefonte who appreciate the compliment he is paying their intelligence and liberality in bringing such an enormous production as he carries to this city, goes without saying.

Reduced Rates to Washington.

For the benefit of those who desire to attend the ceremonies incident to the inauguration of President-elect McKinley, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets to Washington March 1, 2, 3 and 4, valid to return from March 4 to 8, at the following rates: From New York, \$8.00; Philadelphia, \$5.40; Baltimore, \$1.60; Harrisburg, \$5.06; Williamsport, \$8.79; Buffalo, \$11.20; Rochester, \$10.48; Altoona and Pittsburg, \$10.00; and from all other stations on the Pennsylvania system at reduced rates.

The inauguration will be a most interesting event, and will undoubtedly attract a large number of people from every section of the country.

The magnificent facilities of the Pennsylvania Railroad make this line the favorite route to the national capital at all times, and its enormous equipment and splendid terminal advantages at Washington make it especially popular on such occasions.

Ground Hog Day.

On February 2nd will be "ground hog" day, when the "weather wise" little animal is supposed to come out of winter quarters and stay long enough to forecast the weather for the six weeks following.

Bellefonte Markets.

Table listing prices for various commodities like Apples, Beans, Butter, etc.

Coburn Markets.

Table listing prices for various commodities like Wheat, Rye, Corn, etc.

PUBLIC SALE REGISTER.

(Persons having their sale bills printed at this office will have notices of same, inserted under this heading free. Others will be charged 50 cents. Our facilities for printing bills are the best. Pro:pt attention given to all work. Prices are always reasonable).

SATURDAY, FEB. 6TH—The Jacob Hoover homestead, in Union township, containing about 96 acres. Situated at court house, Bellefonte, Pa. R. Emerick, Admr.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10—The farm stock of David Wise, dec'd near Zion, Pa.—5 horses, 11 head cattle, 9 hogs, farm implements.

MONDAY, MARCH 15—J. W. Weaver, at Fiedler, Pa.—Farm stock, three horses, four cows, 2 young cattle, hogs and a large lot of farm implements and sundries.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17—At the residence of W. H. Long, in Marion township—Farm stock and implements of all variety. Has some fine stock. see bills.

THURSDAY, MARCH 18TH—At the residence of Samuel Markle, Gatesburg—Farm stock and implements—5 horses, 6 milk cows, 7 shoats, etc., and Household goods.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

We are authorized to announce the name of Robert Hepburn, as a candidate for the office of Overseer of the Poor, of Bellefonte borough, subject to the decision of the Democratic caucus.

LEGAL NOTICE.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Estate of Jeremiah Mayes, Jr., deceased, late of Patton township.

A PARTNER WANTED. Will give one-third interest in a patent Automatic Adjustable Bag Holder, to any person who will furnish \$50 to secure the patent. Thousands want them, as no successful holder is on the market. The cost to manufacture is a trifle. Patent office search already made. Inquire at DEMOCRAT OFFICE.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE. In the Orphan's Court of Centre county, in the matter of the estate of Harriet Linn, late of Bellefonte Borough, deceased.

ORPHAN'S COURT SALE. By virtue of an order of the Orphan's Court of Centre county, there will be exposed at public sale on

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6th, 1897, at the Court House, in Bellefonte, Pa., at 1 o'clock p. m., the following property of Jacob Hoover, deceased, located in Union township about 12 miles north of Unionville, known as the Jacob Hoover homestead:

Beginning at stones, thence by lands, now of James T. Hoover, south 80° west 71° 30' to rock oak; thence by same south 45° west 76° 30' to rock oak; thence south 10° west 51° 5' to pin oak; thence north 70° west 10° to chestnut stump; thence by lands now or late of John Rowan, south 80° east 107° to maple spruce; thence south 40° west 5° to a post, dog wood; thence south 52° west 5° to a post; thence north 65° east 10° to stones; thence by lands now or late of Jacob Flick, north 20° west 13° to stones and place of beginning, containing 108 acres and 14 perches and allowance, excepting and reserving 12 acres and 60 perches net, granted and conveyed by Jacob Hoover unto James and George Flick, by deed dated June 17th, 1892, and recorded in Deed Book No. 6, page 31. It being the same premises which Robert Valentine et al. and Eliza M. Thomas et al. executors of William A. Thomas, deceased, by deed in and recorded March 14th, 1886, and March 21st, 1870, respectively, and recorded in Centre county in Deed Book F, Vol. 2, pages 36 and 18, granted to Loran Hoover, and which T. J. Dunkle, high sheriff of Centre county by deed dated April 23rd, 1882, and intended to be forthwith recorded, granted and conveyed unto Jacob Hoover, now deceased.

TERMS—Ten per cent. of purchase money on day of sale; balance of one-third on confirmation absolute; and the remainder in 2 yrs from confirmation absolute; deferred payments to bear interest from date of confirmation absolute at 6 per cent. per annum and to be secured by bond and mortgage on the premises. J. C. Meyer, S. K. Emerick, Admr's, 144 Attorney, Flemington, Pa.

REGISTER'S NOTICE.—The following accounts have been examined, passed and filed of record in the Register's office for the inspection of heirs and legatees, creditors and all others in anywise interested, and will be presented to the Orphan's Court, of Centre county for confirmation on Wednesday, the 27th day of January, A. D. 1897:

1. The first and final account of George P. Hall, administrator, etc., of Robert A. Hall, late of Union township, deceased.

2. The first and final account of Geo. W. Jackson, surviving executor and trustee, under the last will and testament of Thos. R. Reynolds, late of Bellefonte boro, dec'd.

3. The third partial account of Geo. W. Jackson, surviving executor and trustee, under the last will and testament of Thos. R. Reynolds, late of Bellefonte boro, dec'd.

4. The fourth partial account of Geo. W. Jackson, surviving executor and trustee, under the last will and testament of Thos. R. Reynolds, late of Bellefonte boro, dec'd.

5. First and final account of Edward T. Tuten, administrator, etc., of Maria P. Tuten, late of Bellefonte boro, dec'd.

6. First and final account of Edith S. Vonada, administratrix, etc., of George W. Vonada, late of Centre township, deceased.

7. First and final account of J. C. Snyder, administrator, etc., of Benjamin F. Snyder, late of Boggs township, deceased.

8. First and final account of Samuel G. Rider, admr., etc., of John W. Rider, late of Ferguson township, deceased.

9. Account of John H. Miller, administrator of, etc., of George Eckel, late of Ferguson township, deceased.

10. First and final account of E. B. Peters, trustee to sell real estate of Hannah Resides, late of Benner township, deceased.

11. The account of George S. Gray, executor, etc., of Catherine Gray, late of Half Moon township, deceased.

12. The account of Emma H. Bachan, sole surviving executrix, etc., of Israel Vonada, late of Gregg township, deceased.

13. The final account of John H. Leech, administrator, etc., of W. W. Leech, late of Harris township, deceased.

14. Second and final account of W. J. Carlin, administrator, etc., of F. P. Vonada, late of Miles township, deceased.

15. First and final account of Maggie B. Gates, administratrix, etc., of John C. Gates, late of Ferguson township, deceased.

16. The final account of W. H. Musser, guardian of Lydia L. Gregg, minor child of Theo. Gregg, late of Boggs township, deceased.

17. First and final account of W. S. Sellers executor, etc., of Davis Sellers, late of Patton township, dec'd.

18. The first and final account of Wm. T. Leathers, Jr. and A. H. Leathers, executors of, etc., of J. B. Leathers, late of Howard Twp. dec'd.

19. First and final account of Wm. S. Gray executor, etc., of Maria Meek, late of Half Moon township, dec'd.

20. The first and final account of H. H. Harshberger, admr., d. b. n. etc., of Warren S. Lucas, late of Curtin township, deceased.

G. W. RUBENBERG, Register. Bellefonte, Dec. 23, 1896.

B. & B.

Stock Taking

Ends with January—account to be taken of everything in the store—money is easier to count than goods—we've adopted such low price measures as will clear all the surplus stocks—convert them into cash quick—we're willing to take a loss on choice goods to do this—we won't carry over any surplus stocks—they've got to go—write now, as soon as you read this, for samples and see if the way they're going doesn't interest you and your pocketbook more than anything has for a long time.

SUITINGS

50 inch Mixed Suitings, all-wool, that were half a dollar, 25 cents. 40-inch all wool Diamond Checks, 25 cents. 40-inch all wool Bourette Suitings, 25 cents. 33-inch all wool mixtures, 20 cents. Lot of all Suiting Mixtures, 42 to 52 inches wide, that were 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25—all at 50c.

Black Goods

All Wool Black Goods at 25, 35, 50 and 75 cents—all greatly reduced.

Nice Bright Plaids

15, 25, 35, 50 and 75 cents—for waists or children's dresses there never has been such a chance to get like values for the money.

All the surplus stocks in the store at mark-down-prices—write and tell us what you're interested in and we'll send samples that will show you we mean business. Get samples of the new 1897 wash goods.

BOGGS & BUHL ALLEGHENY, PA.

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Send model, drawing or photo, with description. We advise, if patentable or not, free of charge. Our fee not due till patent is secured. A PAMPHLET, "How to Obtain Patents," with list of cases in the U. S. and foreign countries sent free. Address, C. A. SNOW & CO. OFF. PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C.

GROSS The Tailor.

FIRE, FIRE!

Had fire aside of us—fire in the same building overhead.

DISFIGURED

Our room was slightly disfigured, but we are at the same old stand.

Call on us

You can get a good fit for less money than elsewhere—try us.

GROSS, THE TAILOR.

A RUBBER ON YOUR FOOT

Is worth two or three doctor's bills, which would you rather have? We have none of the doctors' bills, but we have rafts of rubbers—rubbers—rubbers to burn, as it were

The rubbers cover your feet better than our prices cover the cost to the makers, but the season has been a backward one, and the makers would rather have a little money in bank than a factory full of over shoes, hence we got them to sell at lower prices.

It is the same all through our store—good stout shoes for everybody—bought cheap—sold cheap.

MINGLE'S SHOE STORE.

Easy to Take Easy to Operate Hood's Pills