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NORMAL SCHOLARSHIP.

THE CENTRE DEMOCRAT will pay all expenses,—tuition, board, light, heat, washing and furnished room—for the Winter Term of 12 weeks in the Central State Normal, at Lock Haven, Pa., for some deserving young lady or gentleman, in Centre County. This will entitle the recipient to all the privileges of that institution.

This scholarship will be furnished free of cost, and the readers and patrons of the paper will be asked to award the same, by a popular vote.

The Centre Democrat.
THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 1897.



SCHOLARSHIP COUPON

Name: _____

Address: _____

Cut this out, fill in name of some deserving young lady or gentleman and send it to this office, where it will be counted. If held over thirty days will not be counted.

THE COUNT.

Violetta Wolf, Centre Hall.....	1945
Ida M. Showers, Zion.....	1857
Belle Shaffer, Nittany.....	575
Isabella Jones, Milesburg.....	344
A. H. Corman, Marion twp.....	153
John DeLaney, Howard.....	166
Mamie Bechdel, Blanchard.....	63
LeRoy DeLong, Romola.....	32
Mary Rumberger, Hublersburg.....	18
E. Charles Housman, Penn Hall.....	6
James Crader, Penn Hall.....	9
Irvin J. Packer, Romola.....	4

WEEKLY COUNT.
The following is a list of the votes cast during the past week:—Ida Showers, 302; Violetta Wolf, 238; Belle Shaffer, 7; Mamie Bechdel, 4.

We hereby certify that the above is a correct statement of the number of votes cast in the Scholarship Contest up to date.

WM. T. ROYER,
W. HARRISON WALKER.
Bellefonte, Pa. June 17, 1897.

The Annual Picnic.
The 24th annual picnic of the Centre County Patrons of Husbandry will be held at Grange Park, Centre Hall, from the 13th to the 18th of September.

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CORRESPONDENTS DEPARTMENT

The News Gathered From Various Sections

HAPPENINGS IN CENTRE CO

What our Army of Alert Correspondents see and observe worthy of note—The local Happenings of every community will be gladly Published—Send the news we will Publish it.

CATO GLENN.

There seems to be some attraction in Cato for S. C. That's alright, Sam nothing wrong in going to church.

Miss Shultz, of Williamsport, formerly of this place, spent several days at the home of Mrs. Potter Walker last week.

Our Sabbath school is still increasing. There are upward of 40 scholars now, nearly twice the amount that attended last summer.

Mrs. W. H. Holt has returned home after spending several weeks with her mother, Mrs. Jesse Lucas, of Snow Shoe who had been seriously ill for some time.

On last Thursday Mr. W. H. Holt killed a large wild cat, only several hundred yards from his house. His hounds had treed it there. That is the second one in less than a year.

One of Mr. Wm. Kearne's children has been ill for some time. It was rumored at first that she had diphtheria, but we are glad to know it was not diphtheria and that the child is rapidly recovering.

Cato mines are closed for the present, and it is not known when they will start again. Last fall several of our Cato miners were lecturing: "We want sound money and protection." Now we all agree they got it where the chicken got the ax.

The few trout that are left in Panther Run, and the neighboring streams, are beginning to know a good thing, when then they hear a noise. They know where to look for Bill and Wilbur, and when they see them they are like the little boys pap. STAG.

HUBLERSBURG ITEMS.

Boyd Carner went off on an extended trip.

W. H. Minnich and wife were visiting in Pennsvalley over Sunday.

A Miss Johnson, of Mill Hall, is the guest of Mrs. Charles Miller.

David Love, of near Pittsburg, was visiting his aged mother the past week.

Messrs. Wm. and Joseph Kintzer, of Lancaster, are visiting at E. L. Bergstresser's at present.

Carl Carner in company with Walter Agers of Lock Haven, went to Mifflin county this week to buy horses.

Somebody made a raid on J. D. Miller's chicken-house, one night last week and took quite a number of his choice fowls.

E. L. Bergstresser, Sophia Rockey, and Julia Brown were to Blanchard last Thursday to witness the raising of Christ Robb's new barn.

Mrs. Wm. Yearick, and her sons Milton and Harry and daughter Gertrude, of Millheim, were visiting acquaintances at this place latter part of last week.

NEW STORE.—Wm. Yearick, of Millheim, formerly of this place, is in town making preparations to start a store in his vacant store room, at this place. We wish him success.

Mrs. Mowery, Mrs. Whitman, Mrs. Swartz and Miss Mary Gentzel were to Millheim last week to attend the Women's Missionary Society convention of the Evangelical church.

MARTHA MENTION.

The farmers are preparing for making hay. There will be a good crop.

Mattie Bullock, of Bellefonte, Sundayed with Mr. and Mrs. John Gingery.

There will be an immense crop of fruit through this section—if nothing befalls it.

Mr. W. S. Williams was visiting friends at Pine Grove and State College last week.

Childrens' day exercises will be observed in the Baptist church, next Sunday evening.

Grant Ardery has returned from the lumber woods, where he has been for some time.

Several of our young ladies went to Scotia last Sunday, to attend Childrens' day exercises.

Sheriff Cronister and wife spent Sunday with Dallas Cronister, a brother of the sheriff's.

Mollie Holter and Edith Thompson, of Howard, are spending the week with their many friends.

David Gingery, our supervisor, has been repairing the roads. Mr. Gingery is a good supervisor and knows how to make roads.

JACKSONVILLE JOTTINGS.

Mrs. Henry Antis, of Hublersburg, was in our vicinity on Friday.

Mrs. Barbara Condo returned home from Cook's Run, on Friday last.

Mrs. Clara Singer is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sayers, of this place.

Mrs. Dr. Kreckler, President of the W. M. S., of the United Evangelical church, gave a talk on missions, in the church, at this place, on Sunday evening.

The date for Childrens' day service has been changed from the 13th, to the 20th. The scholars of the Reformed, Evangelical and Presbyterian Sunday schools are taking part in the exercises. All are cordially invited to come. Exercises to begin at 7 o'clock, p. m.

Change in Hotel Management.

The Irvin house Lock Haven is under new management, C. W. Reed, of Kittanning, Pa., taking charge of the hotel Saturday evening.

S. Wood's Caldwell and family have taken up their residence in the property formerly occupied by Hon. J. W. Smith.

Going to Germany.

Congressman W. C. Arnold has been selected by the John G. Spang heirs, to look after an estate of \$40,000,000 in Germany.

CHILDRENS' AID SOCIETY.

The eighth annual convention of the Children's Aid Society, of Western Pennsylvania, convened in the first M. E. church, Ridgway, June 2, 3 and 4th. The delegates from different counties were cordially received by the ladies of that beautiful town, and the hospitality of that society is well worthy of mention. Mrs. G. W. Childs, an active member, gave a grand reception to the delegates in her spacious home, where the ladies were royally received by members of that society. This organization is, and has been, doing a worthy and laudable work, as was seen by the reports of the different societies. Among the interesting subjects which were discussed, is one of providing a home for indigent and destitute children, of this section. The foundation of an institution of this character will undoubtedly be laid in the near future in Indiana county.

The report of the State Secretary was read, and showed there are 859 children, at present, under the care of the society. Over 2300 have been taken care of since the organization. 1466 have passed from the protection of the society, either by adoption, marriage, becoming of age, or returned to friends.

The report of Centre Co., which was read by Mrs. H. T. Kurtz, who represented this district gave:

Number of children under care of society during the year, 20; number of children in free homes, 18; number of children in institutions or hospitals 1.

Totals under care since organization, 27; passed from care 2.

Whilst the report of Centre County society was fair, compared with its sister counties, its financial support and the few co-workers was far below the average.

Wedding Bells.

On last Thursday evening, Miss Effie E., the pretty and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lucas, at Chester Hill, was happily wedded to Mr. Levi E. Williams, of Wilmington, Del. The impressive ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Tomkinson, pastor of the M. E. church at Phillipsburg, in the presence of a large number of invited guests. Promptly at 5 p. m., the sweet notes of Mendelssohn's wedding march were wafted in the air, and the bridal party, led by the bride's handsome big brother, John and sister Gertrude, marched under the beautiful arch of daisies and ferns from which suspended a marriage bell, constructed of pure white daisies, when there Rev. Tomkinson stood in waiting and the solemn words were pronounced that made them man and wife. The solemnity of the occasion was soon changed to mirth and gaiety. Everyone vied with the other in making the occasion one of pleasure and happiness. All were then invited to the dining room where the tables were loaded with everything that the appetite could crave. A proof of this is the fact that the viands disappeared like the mist before the morning sun. Sufficient to say the whole affair was an enjoyable one; there were guests present from Bellefonte, Jersey Shore, Williamsport, Osceola, Milesburg, and other places.

The bride and groom accompanied with Miss Polly Parrot left, under a shower of rice, on the 6:55 train for their future home Wilmington, Del., where Mr. Williams holds a lucrative position as telegraph operator. All joined in best wishes for their future success and happiness.

A GUEST.

A Good Company.

Robt. F. Hunter returned from Philadelphia, last week, where he spent several days. Mr. Hunter has now secured the position of the District Manager for the central portion of this state composing Centre, Blair, Huntingdon, Clearfield and Mifflin counties, for the New England Mutual Life Insurance Co. While we believe the company has secured a good, energetic man, we wish to congratulate Bob in getting this position with such a company as the New England. It is the oldest mutual life company in the United States, being founded in the year 1835. Statistics show its expense rate the lowest of any, one-half that of many of the other large companies, which makes its dividend paying power the highest.

The "proof of the pudding is the eating of it." All the New England's policy holders, the people who are best to judge, stand up for the treatment and liberal features of their company. Mr. Hunter has received a number of written statements from policy holders in this vicinity. We predict a successful future for him in this venture.

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An Infant Child of John Breen Dead.

The infant child of John Breen, died at the Dilling Springs, Thursday, of catarrh of the stomach. It was a year and five months old.

BELLEFONTE.

Its People, Its Politics, Its Hills and Its Trout.

Last week John B. Dampman, correspondent of the Pittsburg Times, was in Bellefonte, to write up the fire-scare. It seems from his article that he did not find as much as he expected. To take advantage of his trip he wrote an interesting article on Bellefonte. It is quite spicy and as few of our readers get to see that paper we publish same:

Bellefonte is in the centre of Centre county. Centre county is in the centre of Pennsylvania, and Pennsylvania is the Keystone state of the union. That makes Bellefonte very central, and if you are there and want to go anywhere else you have to travel a long distance. There are lots of people there who do want to get away, too; who want to get out from the centre to the periphery, as it were. They want offices in Harrisburg, or Washington, or any old place, and they get them. They know how to get them better than any people in the country. Bellefonte was built up the Bald Eagle valley on purpose, so that people could easily find the way out, and, of course, people always find the way in by that route, too.

The bald eagle that started the valley has been shot and hung up on a barn door, but the valley is still there. It has hills on each side of it and farms in the middle. Some farms are on the hill and some hills on the farms. The hills are handsomely decorated at this season, so that travelers going to Bellefonte will not notice so much the length of the way and the loitering of the train. There are pink hills and white hills, and yellow hills and green hills, and hills of assorted colors, and there is one strawberry-colored hill in particular: that would just now take the first prize in an international flower show. The hills are mostly as nicely rounded off as if they had been made to order, and on the whole, the sight of them is good for the eyes. On the farms everything is green, except the cows, the farmers, the cornfields and the stumps, and the grass looks so good that the passenger on the train envies Nebuchadnezzar's appetite and wonders why the cows give yellow butter.

But the valley does not monopolize all the hills. There are plenty left for Bellefonte, at the end of the route. The Bellefonters are fond of saying that the town is built on seven hills like Rome. But they are too modest by far. The town has 77 hills. She can "see" Rome and go her 70 better, and, besides that, one was taken away to make room for the big spring. The court house is built in a hole in a hill and the jail is built on top of a hill, just to show that the way of the transgressor is steep. But the saints go to the tops of the hills, too, for the graveyards are there, and the epitaphs show that none but good people sleep in them. All the churches are on hills, and the only brewery is at the foot of a hill, while the beer is cooled in a cavern under a hill. In winter time everybody slides down hill. Some of the streets nearly stand on end and the paving blocks fall out in windy weather. Then, besides hills to build on, the town has lots of hills just to look at. Big, high, steep hills that look so hard to climb they do not mind the smaller ones they have to meander over in going to the store or the lodge.

It has been stated by some that Bellefonte was founded by P. Gray Meek. But though, from time whereof the memory of man runneth not to the contrary, Meek has always been a delegate in the front row at democratic conventions, the best authorities, agree that the town was there before him. Even before the railroad Meek, as well as many of his fellow citizens, would manage to break out whenever there was anything going on in politics, for on politics Bellefonte is unsurpassed and her output of statesmen has been and is immense.

On all the streets their homes are pointed out to you, and wherever you go you encounter men who are expecting to be governors and congressmen and senators, and perhaps presidents. You see a man slouching along in a pair of overalls, an apparently inconspicuous citizen of the commonwealth, but go to a state convention and you will see the same individual, in his store clothes, directing the course of empire and claiming to be the mouthpiece of the sovereign people. The man in a \$50 dollar suit slaps the man in overalls on the back and calls him Jack or Jim, well knowing that he may need his assistance some day in politics. If a hen roost is robbed the victim hesitates to proceed against the offender lest he should turn up as a Nemesias at the primaries, and he accepts a present loss of chickens rather than a prospective loss of votes. The confidence which everyone feels in his great future gives an air of repose to the town and to the people. They do not need to hurry and rush and discompose themselves when they know that they will all some day get a good office and be fixed for life.

One of the great attractions of Bellefonte, besides the residences of its governor and ex-governors and miscellaneous statesmen, is its big spring. Everybody who sees it is expected to say that it is the biggest spring he ever saw. It is reported that a misguided individual once upon a time said that it wasn't much of a spring, and that his body was afterward found horribly mutilated at the bottom of a stone quarry. The coroner's jury found that his death was caused by

temporary aberration of the mind. The spring is a big one. It pours out enough water for all the people of Bellefonte, with enough left over for Allegheny City. It would pretty nearly keep the Monongahela river in business if it should lose all the rest of its water. We suspect that it isn't a spring at all, but just a river that got mixed up among the hills when the country was made. It has a filtering plant somewhere under the hill, for it comes out clear, and the people who drink it do not have to take in any real estate.

Another great attraction of the town is its trout. They live right in the borough limits. The old inhabitants tell how they used to be so plentiful that they would bite vigorously at a tenpenny nail, and how you could see them jumping at flies of an evening from the court house steps. Though that day has gone by, they are still very plentiful, and a veracious inhabitant is authority for the story that he still supplies his table by fishing out of his kitchen window, while the trainmen are said to keep themselves well supplied during the season by trolling from the rear platform. This week the story was told of the catching of a 17-inch whopper from the railroad station platform.

There are few towns indeed where there are so many things that are pleasant to look at and wonder at. Its people are given a little to boasting, but they have cause for it, and that they are sincere in their belief is shown by the fact that whatever greatness and honor they may achieve on the outside they always come back to Bellefonte to live and enjoy themselves whenever their outside mission is fulfilled.


Foster's Weather Prediction.

The next disturbances will reach the Pacific coast about the 18th, cross the west of the Rockies country by the close of the 19th, great central valleys 20th to 22nd and eastern states 23d. A warm wave will cross the west of Rockies country about the 18th, great central valleys 20th, and eastern states 22nd. A cool wave will cross the west of the Rockies country about 21st, great central valley's the 23d and eastern states the 25th; rain showers in patches may be expected generally over the United States during the week ending June 11. Temperature of the week ending June 13 will average above normal and about the 18th an extended period of dry weather in the northern states will begin.

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