

TOWN, COUNTY, AND VARIETY.

—E. O. O'Neill, esq., has removed his law office from over J. R. Dewitt's store to rooms over A. B. Burn's drug store.
—The Athens Gazette came to us last week greatly enlarged and otherwise improved. We congratulate the publishers and patrons on this encouraging evidence of prosperity.
—The Honesdale Citizen says, the project of putting a passenger train on the Del. & Hud. gravity railroad between Carbondale and Honesdale is again under consideration.
—April term of Court commences next Monday. We have some cases of back subscription on our calendar, which we are ready and anxious to liquidate at any time.
—Hon. F. W. Gunster, member of the Legislature from Luzerne county, was robbed of his pocket-book and watch at the Bolton House, Harrisburg, on Tuesday night of last week.
—A portion of the wall of the burned Opera House fell on Friday, and crushed through the roof of Leonard Brothers' store and office, doing considerable damage to desks, books, stock, &c. It is claimed their damage will reach \$2,000.—Scranton Journal.
—All former instructions in reference to the mailing of letters and other mail matter at the cars are rescinded. Letters and other matter intended for the mails must be received at the cars up to the last moment of the starting of the train, at all stations, as is the case at railway post offices.
—A severe rain storm visited this place on Tuesday night last, causing a great deal of damage by filling cellars, washing streets, &c. The Eureka Works were badly flooded, being damaged to the extent of about two hundred dollars. C. B. Potter's Drug Store was also badly washed.—Bradford Reporter.
—The new St. John's Catholic church about to be erected at this place, it is said, will be 140x60 feet in dimensions, of Gothic architecture entirely of brick and surmounted with a spire 148 feet high. When completed it will be an ornament to the town. It is thought work will commence soon.—Susquehanna Journal.
—Mr. James Black, chairman of the Prohibition state committee, has just issued a call for the election of two delegates from each Congressional district to the Prohibition national convention to meet in Cleveland, Ohio, on the 17th of May, to nominate candidates for President and Vice President. It is the settled policy of the Prohibitionists in Pennsylvania to run local tickets for the legislature in every district in the state next fall.
—In consequence of the small number in attendance at the meeting of Montrose Library Association on the first instant, it was resolved to hold an adjourned meeting for the election of officers on Friday, April 7th, at 2 o'clock p. m., at the office of Dr. C. C. Halsey. Most of the books drawn out have been returned, and it is requested that the rest should be without delay to C. C. HALSEY, Pres.
—The Senatorial and Representative delegates to the convention from this Congressional district, at their meeting to select National delegates, adopted the following resolution unanimously:
Resolved, That the delegates assembled from the Fifteenth Congressional district cordially approve of the record of Hon. Joseph Powell in Congressional action.
—Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Parks, of Bradford county, recently celebrated their golden wedding. They were both born and have always lived within a few miles of where they now reside, and neither of them were ever more than 100 miles from the spot where they first beheld the light. Mr. Parks, though nearly seventy-six years of age, never remembers being confined to bed by sickness a single day.
—The following is one of the decisions of the School Department of the State: Farmers, whether owners of lands or only tenants, are now liable to the minimum occupation tax of one dollar. But if a farmer's occupation is valued in the list at a sum that would yield more than one dollar, he is not to pay more than one dollar. In other words, he is liable to the "minimum," but not to the "rate" occupation tax.
—On Sunday last, says the Scranton Journal, Mr. Nathaniel Fitch, of Providence, received a telegram announcing the death of his only remaining son, Jerome, who died at Denver, Colorado, on Saturday, aged twenty-four years. During the past two years, this fine family of children have seemed to be marked as subjects of the fell destroyer, Consumption, and one by one, in rapid succession, has the death angel called the children until, now six have been buried within this short period, five as victims of this one disease.
—Parties are now traveling through neighboring counties, swindling farmers, by appointing them agents for the sale of clothes lines. The plan adopted is to induce farmers to sign his name in a book, which the swindler represents to be for reference only, but which proves to be an order for 2,000 feet of wire clothes line at five cents per foot. In a few days thereafter, swindler No. 2 comes along and presents a bill for \$100 signed by the farmer. The latter protests, but is finally induced to compromise rather than go to court. Our farmers should be on their guard.
—U. S. Senator Cameron, of Michigan, recently introduced a series of resolutions highly condemnatory of all secret societies and proposing to deprive them of certain political privileges, whereat an indignant Tunkhannock Granger forwards him the following note, through the hands of Hon. Joseph Powell, the representative from this district in the lower house:
DEAR SIR:—In the bill lately introduced by you to ostracize all members of secret societies, please amend so as to exempt them from the payment of taxes. Your public thieves have stolen us poor, and, if you will relieve us from tax, you balance can have all the offices, and steal the balance of the country.

—J. R. Raynsford has sold his livery stock to Hinds and Mitchell.
—Work has been resumed at nearly all the collieries throughout the coal valley.
—F. I. Lott, esq., one of our young attorneys who read law recently in the office of Little & Blakeslee, has opened an office in the First National Bank building.
—Wm. A. Crossman, esq., has removed his law office into rooms over the First National Bank, where he will be found at all times ready to attend to the duties of his profession.
—Remember the meeting of the citizens of the county, appointed at the Court House for next Monday evening, to perfect arrangements for a County Centennial Celebration of the next anniversary of our National Independence. Let all interested be present and help to make it what it should be.
—Hartford has a city coat of arms. Why can't we have one, too? A design representing a citizen mortgaging his house to pay a gas bill would please the people.—Norwich Bulletin.
The above has suggested the idea that Montrose should have one, for a design representing our Town Council each with a "high-toned" street lamp in his hand, would be so expressive.
—Mr. Jacob Young, who resided near Harris' mill a short distance from Auburn Four Corners, committed suicide on Sunday morning last sometime between the hours of nine and twelve o'clock. He was found suspended by a part of a harness rein from a brace, in his barn. From appearances he climbed upon a scaffold, fastened the strap to the brace and also around his neck and either jumped or swung himself off from the scaffolding. He was a man about 60 years of age and leaves a wife and five children. One son, about 21 years of age, is living at home.
—While the family of Justice Clark, Jr., who lives near Waynesburg, Tioga county, was away from home last Friday evening, a fire broke out in the barn. As there was no one to give the alarm the flames had full sway. Three buildings were burned. Among other property destroyed were three new mowing machines and a reaper, a valuable wagon, a pair of oxen, a stallion, nine yearlings, about four hundred bushels of oats, a quantity of wheat, twenty tons of hay, and a threshing machine. The damage is estimated at about \$3,000. Unfortunately the loss is not covered by insurance.—Athens Gazette.
—About 2 o'clock Monday morning of last week a fire broke out in the clothing store of H. P. Doran, in Great Bend. The early discovery of the flames and the energetic efforts of citizens hindered it from doing much damage. In about two hours afterwards the fire again broke out, in another part of the store, and did more damage, creeping up into the second floor and into two bedrooms before it was extinguished. Mr. Doran's goods were damaged from smoke and water. He is fully insured.—The banking house of Geo. Dusenbury & Son, in the front of the store, was damaged about \$50, by the burning of a case, desk, etc. The fire was incendiary.
—The following information, clipped from an exchange paper, may be of interest to the lady readers of the DEMOCRAT, on some occasion or other: "Every one should know that hot water will restore cut flowers that are faded by being worn on the dress or carried in the hand. Cut half an inch from the stem and put it directly into boiling water; the petals will smooth and resume their beauty in a few minutes. Colored flowers will revive most perfectly, for white flowers are inclined to curl and turn yellow. The thickest textured flowers will be restored the most wonderfully.—Flowers will keep fresh after this treatment almost as long as they would have done if freshly gathered.
—The Lancaster Intelligencer says, already the potato bug scare has commenced. Farmers say that in plowing they turn up great numbers of the larva and they expect their fields to be overrun, and their vines devoured by the pestiferous bugs the coming season.—There is perhaps but little reason for the scare. It existed last year, and yet there never before was so large and fine a crop of potatoes grown in the country. Excellent potatoes are selling in the rural districts at forty cents per bushel, and farmers are feeding them to their cattle as being cheaper than any other feed. Good farmers are now so well acquainted with the habits of the potato bug and of the best manner of getting rid of it, that there is but little danger to a potato famine from that quarter.
—We alluded to the subject of our County Soldiers' Monument a short time ago, and we have done so many times before, but we hope there will be an effort made this Centennial year to discharge this duty to our dead soldiers, which we owe them, and still further to fulfill the covenant with the living, under which a sum of money was subscribed for that purpose. There has been, or was last year, a spasmodic uprising of indignant feeling and some outward action taken upon this matter upon suggestions of the DEMOCRAT, but it finally died away into its usual sullen silence. There is an amount of money raised and there is not the least reason why something should not be erected if nothing more than a shaft of common stone to the amount of the money on hand. There has some suggestions been made that the Fourth of July would be a good time to lay the corner stone, but we say the proper time for that, is the 30th of May and it should be completed by the Fourth day of July to be then unveiled. Let such be the case and honest patriotism will seem to control the efforts for a county Centennial celebration, but in the absence of this it will be a hollow hearted affair. There is no excuse or decent apology why this should not be done and any official of the Association or person who exercises any control over the funds that objects to this, merits and will receive at our hands that distinction among our citizens which his case demands.

—Here is a model sensational report from a Chicago paper, which will do just as well for this latitude: "We took a new reporter on trial yesterday. He went out to hunt items, and after being away all day, returned with the following, which he said was the best he could do: 'Yesterday we saw a sight that froze our muscles with horror. A hackman driving down Clark street at a rapid pace, came very near running over a nurse and two children. There would have been one of the most heart rending catastrophes ever recorded, had not the nurse with wonderful fortitude, left the children at home before she went out, and providentially stepped into a drug store just before the hack passed. Then, too, the hackman, just before reaching the crossing, thought of something that he had forgotten, and turning about drove in the opposite direction. Had it not been for this wonderful concurrence of favoring circumstances, a doting father, a loving mother, and affectionate brothers and sisters, would have been plunged into the deepest and most unutterable funeral expenses.'—The new reporter will be retained."
DELEGATES COUNTY COMMITTEE.—The members of the Democratic County Committee of this county are requested to convene at the Tarbell House, on Monday, April 10th, (it being first week of court,) at 2 o'clock p. m., to transact such business as may come before it. E. B. HAWLEY, Chairman.
ACKNOWLEDGMENT.—Dear Editor: Permit me through your local columns to acknowledge an unexpected and liberal donation, chiefly in money which "answerseth all things," from the friends of New Milford and vicinity, who assembled at the house of Joel Keep. It was in many respects a model. A large and hospitable mansion filled with happy guests, a bountiful entertainment served by a bevy of fair matrons, a feast of reason and a flow of soul, and last, but not least, a donation of about eighty dollars, blessed in the giving and receiving—without a drawback—left nothing to be desired. W. P. GIBSON.
New Milford, March 25, 1876.
USURY LAW.—Our readers will be interested in the following law upon Usury, which on Thursday last was passed to third reading in the House of Representatives at Harrisburg. An act fixing the rate of interest and prohibiting the taking of usury was considered as follows:
SECTION 1. Be it enacted, that the lawful rate of interest for the loan or use of or forbearance to demand money, in all cases where no express contract shall have been made for a less rate, shall be six per centum per annum.
SEC. 2. When a rate of interest for the loan or use of or forbearance to demand money exceeding that established by law shall hereafter be reserved or contracted for directly or indirectly, this shall be deemed and adjudged a forfeiture of the entire amount of the principal and interest of the debt or sum loaned, as the case may be.
SEC. 3. If any person or persons or corporation shall take, receive, or reserve directly or indirectly a rate of interest for the loan or use of or forbearance to demand money exceeding that established by law, the person or persons by whom it has been paid, or his or their legal representatives, may recover back in an action of assumpsit, or on the case commenced in the Court of Common Pleas in the proper county, the amount of the principal and interest paid from the person or corporation taking, receiving or reserving the same; provided such action is commenced within two years from the time of such taking, reserving or receiving.
A BIRTHDAY PARTY.—Job says, "Man that is born of woman is of few days and full of trouble." However true this may be of life generally, yet in every one's pathway there are some bright and sunny points, some green oases upon which the memory loves to dwell.—However cold and indifferent the animate world may be, to obey our every wish and make each of us a central sun around which to revolve, there are moments in our lives when friends will gather around us and cheer one's heart with their love tokens; moments of pleasures upon earth which are foretastes of those of heaven, and perhaps of all of our earthly festivals, there is none of more significance than that of our birthday and its anniversaries. How thoughtful these seasons should make us, and with what gratitude and thankfulness our hearts should overflow, as they come and go year after year. On the 31st of March, this centennial year, we were permitted to participate in one of these happy family gatherings. The occasion was the eighty-second birthday anniversary of Matthew Baldwin, of East Bridgewater. God, indeed, has been very merciful in sparing and preserving this family unbroken. Grandmother Baldwin, who has been the partner of his toils and trials, his joys and sorrows for almost sixty years, still carries on the shores of time with him. She is in the seventy-sixth year of her age and for several years has been a great sufferer from disease, and at this writing her husband seems just on the border land of transition. Of the ten children God has given them, nine are still living and participated in this gathering with their wives and husbands and some of the grand and great grandchildren. Eight are married and have families and homes of their own, while four of the number have grandchildren sporting around them. Strange as it may seem, these children have settled or clustered around the old homestead, four of them within one-fourth of a mile, and all but one, who resides at Susquehanna Depot, within the border of their native township. But enough; another anniversary has come and gone. At longest we shall be permitted to meet in but a few more seasons like this, and happy will it be for us if we so wisely improve the advantages of this life, as to be permitted to unite an unbroken family over on the other shore, where neither sorrow nor death ever enter. God grant this may be our happy lot. H. N. T.

DEATHS.
CASE.—In Hopbottom, March 31st, Orson Case, aged 71 years.
Mr. Case was sick but a short time, and died in the presence of his own loved ones. May comfort come to the hearts of all who mourn.
LINDSEY.—In Wilkesbarre, March 28th, Marshall, son of Samuel Lindsey, aged 18 years.
He was a promising young man, beloved by all who knew him. He was converted to God last winter at Springville, under the labors of Rev. H. G. Harned, and died in triumph, "Safe in the arms of Jesus."
CHAMBERLIN.—In Brooklyn, March 29th, Charlie, only son of Dr. A. and L. Chamberlin, aged 1 year and 1 month.
Charlie seemed a child of more than ordinary intelligence and promise, and being the only son, of course the tender cords of affection were very closely woven between him and all hearts in the family.
The father had promised himself, first of all, to endeavor to make a good man of Charlie, but Jesus can care for him better, and has safely folded him on his own great "It is well."—Brother Chamberlin and his family have the sympathy of the entire community in this their deepest grief. "Peace I leave with you."
"Fold his little shroud about him,
Softest folds of snowy white,
Yearning hearts must live without him,
He is in the land of light.
Clasp the tiny waxen fingers
On his peaceful slumbering breast,
Close the baby eye-lids gently,
Little Charlie's gone to rest.
On his downy coffin pillow
Lay the darling little head,
Lay the precious sleeper softly
In his strange and lonely bed.
Never more shall pain's keen arrows
Pierce that sweet and tender form,
He is safe from every evil,
Safe from every earthly storm.
To that far-off, blessed country,
Where your young white dove has gone,
Think not that he went through darkness,
Wandering, fearful, and alone.
Jesus loves these little children,
He has borne him o'er the flood,
And has laid our treasure safely
In the bosom of his God.
He will have no need of mamma
On that home-like, pleasant shore,
Nor will fear the loving faces
He has never seen before,
Beautiful and gentle angels
Watch and guard your baby there,
So he will not miss your voices,
Or your never-wearying care."
FORDHAM.—Mrs. Sarah Howell Fordham, of Montrose, Pa., died at Scranton, Pa., March 20th, 1876.
The fathers and mothers who participated in the toils and privations of early settler life, and aided, however humbly, in giving right mold and true character to the elements of society, at death desire more than passing notice. Mrs. Sarah Howell Fordham, of our borough—many years widow of Francis Fordham—whose funeral services were at and from the residence of her son, Edward C. Fordham, on the 23d inst., was one of this class. She was the eldest daughter of Matthew and Phebe Howell, of Southampton, L. I., where she was born Oct. 29, 1793. Parental competency and respectability made early life, to her, happy and the future bright. Her marriage with Mr. Fordham had a joyous celebration at the residence of her parents, Oct. 26, 1812.
Her husband, prior to this, under the influence of the spirit of emigration which brought so many of the Southampton people to Montrose, had been here and made the beginning of a home and business. These, however, were not completed until afterward, the beginning of the summer of 1813. Then all was made ready for an addition to the busy little settlement in the wilderness. An old diary, which has furnished many of the facts of our early history, contains the following business-like record:
"July 9, 1813. Fordham arrived with his wife."
This settles the date and fact, but not the attending circumstances. There were hearty greetings when the comers alighted from their long horseback ride all the winding wilderness way from Newburgh, N. Y. There was an unfeigned welcome in that new home, next door neighbor to the dwelling of Isaac Post, a welcome which resulted in family ties which were never afterwards broken. They are now ardent cherishes by the children of both families.
The husband at once entered upon business and became our pioneer hatter. The wife helped, and they prospered. Many a farmer and tanner boy wore evidences of the wife's skill in the trimmings of his hat.
Business increased and ran into prosperous general merchandise. During many years early anticipations were realized. After the burial of an infant, the home became filled up with four daughters and three sons, all specially happy in the love and care of their mother. But another proof came that earth, long before had lost its Paradise. Home comforts, ornaments, and extra nice things began to disappear and give place to necessities, and these how scant ere long only a few dear and intimate friends knew. Business reverses and physical disability made the husband and father an entire home dependent, adding more than the care of a child to his wife. Trials of no ordinary character follow. The gentle, loving, persevering, and enduring spirit of the mother, under the power of divine grace, made her equal to them all.—Neither child nor neighbor ever heard a murmur fall from her lips. Patiently she toiled on, keeping the family together until the children became helpers and rewarders of her sacrifices for them. There became wider and wider openings in the cloud which had so densely surrounded them, until the sunshine of a peaceful, happy old age fell upon the mother, gladdening the children and all interested friends.
The mother's had been for years, with the son already named, here died the husband and father and two daughters. From here she visited children and friends at her pleasure.—She was on one of these visits at her daughter's Mrs. Jones's, in Scranton, when the summons came that sundere the tie that bound her spirit to earth and sent it with the angels to heaven. This was on the midnight of Monday, March 20, 1876. She leaves behind her four of her eight children, two daughters and two sons, prospered and respected, with their families, all with a true christian mother's blessing.
She, with the members of the family on the Other Shore of the River, may well sing:
"Borrow shall come no more,
'Tis a song from the home of the weary;
Sorrow, sorrow is forever o'er;
Happy now, ever happy, on Canaan's peaceful shore,
O sorrow shall come again no more."
A. L. P.

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Montrose, March 25, 1876.
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Pocket Books, Combs, Jewelry, Perfumery.
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Daly's Pale Ale for Invalids.
Those who wish to buy Paints and Oils, would do well to examine our stock of White Lead, White Zinc, and Mixed Chemical Paints, before purchasing elsewhere. All kinds of colored paints in cans of from one to five pounds each, on hand.
Montrose Feb. 2, 1876.
A NEW STEAM MILL.
Plaster, Feed, and Lumber!
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The undersigned, having just completed a new STEAM MILL, at J. L. LEWIS'S CORNERS, will keep on hand a good supply of Fresh Ground Cayuga Flour, sufficient to meet the demands of all who desire it in this section. Also a supply of Feed, Lumber not on hand will be sawed to order, on short notice. Post Office address, Montrose, Pa.
E. HARPER,
March 8th, 1876.—3m.
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Montrose, March 29, 1876.—2w
FARMERS TAKE NOTICE!
Best market price, paid in cash, for
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at the Montrose Steam Mill.
D. A. MOON, Superintendent.
Montrose, July 14, 1875.—1f
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The subscriber offers his farm for sale, situate in Forest Lake, containing 65 acres 50 improved. Will keep twelve cows, and a few sheep. Well watered, in the good grain farm. Has a nice young orchard. Terms will be made easy. For further particulars enquire of address.
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