Two men with a bear cheered the hearts of the gamins on our streets vesterday.

---The "boys," of this office, are indebted and return their thanks to Mr. R. H. Smith, for views of the "Switzerland of America."

—The M. E. Sunday School, of this place, will picnic at the fair grounds on Friday of this week. They will also be joined by the South Bridgewater school. Parents and friends of the school are cordially invited.

-On Monday evening next, August 21, a religious meeting will be held in the rooms of the Y. M. C. A. The meeting will open at 8 p. m. and close at 9 p. m. The public, particularly the ladies, are cordially invited to at-

——The African Methodist Episcopal church held a Bush Meeting on the Fair Grounds on Saturday, Sunday and Monday last, The Rev. C. Asbury, of Wilkesbarre, conducted the services assisted by the Rev. J. M. Morris, of Scranton. The meeting was quite largely at tended.

---Who would not desire to be a printer when such men as A. N. Bullard are grocery men. He built quite a large "fortification" of pears and watermelon in front of the boys in the DEMOCRAT office one day this week, but they are endeavoring to "cut" their way through.

We have examined Sanders Union Readers, and we have no hesitancy in pronouncing them all that may be desired as a text book in reading. In these hard times it would seem to us a needless and unwarranted burden upon the people for any of the school boards to make a change.

The Skinner's Eddy M. E. church have arranged for a Centennial excursion to start Monday, Sept. 18t 1, and return Monday, Sept. 25th. Arrangements are made so that fare including board for the round trip will be only \$20. Three dollars less to return on Saturday. For particulars address George Greenfield, Skinner's Eddy, Pa.

On Thursday night last Mr. Wells, who lives near Clifford Corners, had a fine horse stolen, the best one of a fine team. Also the same night, Mr. Johnson a merchant at the Corners, had a harness, valued at \$30 or \$40 taken from his barn. The people of Clifford are thoroughly aroused and every effort is being made to arrest the thieves but as yet no clue has been obtained.

—The publishers, A. S. Barnes & Co., of New York, have sent us a set of their "Independent" School Readers for examination and we cheerfully recommend them as well a dapted to the wants of our schools. The "In dependent" and the "Union" Readers have been for some time in use in the schools of Susquehanna county and with books as good as these we should say that no change is needed.

___A laborer on the farm of Mr. George Skinner in Oakland, while walking through the woods on Monday last, fett a sudden pull at the seat of his overalls, and on looking around was somewhat astonished to find dangling there a monster rattlesvake. He had an axe in his hand, with one blow of which he broke the repule's hold and then quickly exterminated it. The snake measured five feet in length, and had thirteen rattles. - Susquehanna Journal.

-Galusha Grow who has returned some time since from Texas and who has been sitting on a dead limb up in Susquehanna county is preparing to pounce down and gobble up the republican nomination for congress. Be tells the republicans that if nominated and elected he will again be made speaker of the house and will be able to distribute some good jobs and places among them. But the party leaders notwithstanding this strong inducement remember Galusha's little escapade in 1872 when he opposed the election of Grant and Hartranit, and they have good reason to fear that his nomination would be obnoxious to the people of the district which is now so satisfactorily represented by Mr. Powell.-Pat-

FRIENDSVILLE—It may interest the readers of the DEMOCRAT to hear from Friendsville.The community here are unusually well considering the great heat of the season We have had some severe thunder storms; many cattle and horses have been struck by lightning. The barn at Foster's hotel, in this place, was recently struck by lightning, killing a favorite horse belonging to Mr. Foster, and shocking several persons who had taken shelter in the barn during the storm; no person was seriously injured, and but slight injury was done to the barn The Right Rev. Father Murphy by his highly commendable efforts has succeeded in establishing a large temperance society in Friendsville. The society is well organized and fitted out with a splendid regalia. They have a drum corps attending them, they make a splendid show when marching through our streets. We allready realize the good effect this society is producing here; peace, order, and sobriety prevails Your readers will not think I am overrating Father Murphy and the temperance movements he is so carnestly en-

aged in when I tell them that they have built, this summer, one of the best public halis in this county. The building is two storythe temperance hall above and a large school and library room below with an elegant portielegance and substantial goodness-in short, it reflects great credit upon the temperance soci ety and is an ornament to our place. Messers. Lee Brothers, of Middletown, this county, are the builders and contractors and prove to us that they are just the men to employ. By their in 8 or 9 mouths who, after this, will say? tilfe associations, and the vivid reminiscences of "no good can come out of Nazereth."

notice a very marked departure from the motto of the new editor of the Montrose Republican which claimed that he would discuss political matters with fairness, when he says the Republican convention of last week was "harmonious," and that G. A. Grow was "unanimously nominated for Congress." We can only account for this on the ground that he has been accustomed, in attending Luzerne Conventions, to witness such "harmony" to so much greater a degree that this one required a less stretch of imagination to pronounce it harmonious than usual for him. Such harmony at the polls will leave the ticket in a very "harmonious" minority. The people have concluded that they will not get down and roll over for Grow or any other party.

EAST BRIDGEWATER GRANGE PICNIC.-Thursday, Aug. 10th, will be counted a red letter day in the calendar of the above Grange. Their harvest home picnic was a decided success, a real, informal, enjoyable, social gathering, a feast of good things both for the physical and mental man. May they have many more such and may other Granges do likewise and may we be there te enjoy ourselves with the others. A society that can get up such good things can't be all going to the bad, if 'tis a secret one and none but farmers can join, but to the picnic and what was done.

Samuel Smythe, Master of East Bridgewater Grange, was Master of ceremonies and called us at the hour of twelve to dinner, which proved to be a basket one, spread in the grove near the shore of Hart Lake, where all soon filled themselves to such an extent that it seemed to us that we all were too full for utterance, the speaking would come out second best but on application to Master Smythe, found that the farmer speakers were better after, than before eating. The band led by - Fargo, of New Milford, soon called the crowd to the speaker's stand and platform, where, in a few well chosen words the Master welcomed his friends and introduced U. B. Gillett, of New Milford Grange, who read an essay prepared for his Grange, giving the objects and teachings of the order which was finely written and was well received by the audience. S. J. Northrop, of the same Grange, followed with an address full of glowing thoughts and high purposes which was so well appreciated that a copy was re and Daniel McCollum, of Bridgewater Grange, | wages in proportion to the ability of the teach followed with good and pertinent remarks. Capt. J. R. Lyons, Secretary of Susquehanna the prosperity of the agricultural and laboring classes, that if they prospered all prospered of the older ones for so soon as Master Smythe thanked the audience for their attention and said the kitchen would be cleared for the dancers several score sprang to the floor and from that time on till the hour of two next morning the merry feet kept time to the music's call. Every thing was quiet, pleasant and harmonious, all seemed pleased and satisfied.

THE SOLDIERS' ENCAMPMENT.—Comrades In selecting the 6th, 7th and 8th of September as the time for our Annual Encampment, I have endeavored to avoid both extremes—heat and cold. The place selected at our last encampment, Harford Fair Grounds, while open to some objections, has many advantages that will not fail to be appreciated by those attending the encampment this year. Arrangements have been made whereby a liberal supply of wood and water is secured for the use of the encampment; and should the exigencies of the weather demand, the "old vets" will be supplied by Mr. Tompkins, the lessee of the premises, with that to them unheard of luxury "down in Dixie"-ice.

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Long may the Granges wave.

To the veterans who have participated in either or all of our previous encampments, no word of persuasion is necessary to secure their attendance, they will be there. But there are never met with us-who know not the pleas-

in a common brotherhood. No rooms in this county surpass these rooms in portation" need not be burdensome in this farming community, as sufficient "forage" could be transported for the three days, and the enclosure will afford ample security for horses, besides, those who wish can get pasture, or barn foom upon reasonable terms, of Mr. Tompkins. So you see, comrades, the expense superior skill and energy, the building has is merely nominal—the only real outlay being been erected and finished in a very short time, three days time, and if for this you don't get If all this can be effected, here in Friendsville, "value received" in the happy revival of camp

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In speaking of the accommodation that will be found at Harford, I would call attention to the fact that Messrs. Tompkins and Williams. of Harford, have sole and exclusive control of the commissary department for the encampment, and I can assure the old soldiers and all others who may have occasion to patronize them, that they may have no lears of any "Fort Sill" extortions.

Fraternally. H. F. BEARDSLEY.

LATHROP NOTES.—The farmers in this sec tion are all through having, and are now busily engaged harvesting oats. The hay crop was light; but is thought to have been rather better than it was last year. The oats have rusted in all cases except those which ripened very early, so that the farmers will not realize, on an average more than half the usual crop. ... Not very many people from this vicinity have visited the Centennial yet. They are all

waiting for cool weather; but if our worthy neighbors all get there together, and have as much trouble about their boundary lines as some of them do at home, we fear they will make it about as hot there in September as it is in August....Of our western friends who have visited us on their way to or from the Centennial while some have railed bitterly at the roughness of our country others have been sensible enough to appreciate our rocks and hills, and have been able to find pleasure "mid rustling leaves and fountains murmuring."... We understand that Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hall of Hopbottom are to take a trip to the East in a short time....Miss Permelia Tewksbury, of Wilmarths hotel, Hopbottom, has lately returned from a visit to her friends in Harford.

.....The agents for the "Champion" mowing machines have been doing quite a thriving business in this vicinity....One of the principal orders of business since having has been huckle berrying. Several of our neighbors have been, and have had very good luck; but those who have been within the past few days report the huckle berries pretty scarce. The coal works being idle, have furnished plenty of berry pickers at the mountains near the mines. The schools in this section, we are happy

to say, are doing well. Quite as well we think, as could be expected for the salaries which are paid. The directors of this townquested for publication. J. W. H. Bradford, ship adopted a somewhat new plan last spring Master of New Milford Grange, George Mackey for the payment of teachers—that of paying ers. This, we think, is a step in the right direction, and one which is worthy of imitation Grange, in reply to some remark made by a by the other school boards throughout the previous speaker said that there had been too county. The wages paid the teachers of our much legislation for the monied interests of the schools this summer range from ten to fifteen land, that the industrial classes were ignored, dollars per month. We understand that our that the true interests of the country was in county superintendent, Mr. Tilden, has been visiting the schools in this vicinity during the past week, and, as is his wont. saying many and that there should be no leading or favored kind words of encouragement and edification to class where all were sovereigns. M. L. Catlin, teachers and pupils....Mr. Eliphalet Gardner Master of Susquehanna Grange, spoke of the formerly a resident of this township died in a necessity of co-operation in buying as well as fit of apoplexy, yesterday afternoon, at the resselling and of the benefit to be derived there- idence of Francis Lindsey, near Hopbottom. from. Music by the band between the speeches | Mr. Gardner had been hving on the old homekept the younger part of the audience on the stead near Hillsdale, for several years previous tip toe of expectation and even stirred up some to last fall when he sold out, and went to Kansas with his family intending to settle there. For reasons not known to us he did not remain in Kansas; but returned to Great Bend where he has lived during the summer. He has been complaining for about three weeks but rode to Hopbottom from Great Bend in a wagon the first of the week, and yesterday morning he ate a hearty breakfast, and was out of doors during the first part of the day. The funeral will take place at half past ten tomorrow, in the Universalist church at Hopbot-

Hopbottom, August 5, 1876

(Communicated.) REFORM.—Through all the epochs in the history of our country since we became an independent nation, we find that abuses of authority, or the love of place have conspired to fill the heads of officials with the idea that the people were the servants, when, in fact, they were themselves the servants of the people, created by the consent of the governed and delegated with power to deal with all men justly. While our revolutionary sires lived there was much less approximation towards this state of things than has since been manifested. At that period the desire to be of service to the country and, above all, to transmit to posterity and future generations, a name hundreds of comrades in the county who have above reproach, prompted the officials of those days to be scrupulously honest. As a proof of ure derived from the annual reunions. To this, we cite Washington, Jefferson, and their those I would say come—come and pitch your successors down to the time of General Jackshelter tent among us, gather with us about son's election to the Presidency. Previous to the camp-fire, and revive those memories which, this, although there was strite in political cirwith mystic tie, bind all soldiers of the Union cles, yet there appeared no disposition to condemn for malfeasance in office or aspersions as I know that some have interposed the object to honesty in the administration of their severtion of expense. This is but an excuse to stay al duties. The presence of the originators and away, as they must acknowledge if they have founders of our government served to guide "counted the cost." Let us see. Say there is and restrain the officials of those times from all two or more soldiers that wish to attend the attempts of personal agrandizement from the encampment, a tent is their first thought. A public money. Reform was found to be needfew yards of cotton cloth, the ingenuity of an ed in many departments of the national govold soldier, and a sewing machine is all that is ernment, and hearts, and hands, equal to the necessary to guard against the inclement (?) task soon appeared with honest heads and carweather of early September. A "ffy," not a ried their measures with promptness. Many "shoo fly," as old soldiers will understand, were at first inclined to distrust the motives would be a welcome addition in case of a which prompted the adoption of certain measshower. This cotton cloth, unless they wish ures, but when the sober second thought was co in front. The whole is done and finished in to preserve it for future encampments, would left to its proper influence, the opposition ceasgood style and workmanship. The lower enter, without any waste, directly into the ed. Men were not so blinded by the love of part of the building is wainscozted with oak. household economy. As to "rations" we can party, as to be unable to foresee the effect of Doors and windows are cased with chestnut. live as cheap in camp as at home, and "trans- measures proposed for the reform necessary for their own good, and of the nation. The hop that official position would place within their reach means that would give superabundance of money had not seized the minds of men as in these later days and norne them on with the impulse of rule or ruin as at present. Then it was thought commendable for a man to act in accord with his conviction unbiased by the

> When President Jackson took his stand to reform the monetary affairs of the nation, the the "tent and field," you must be sadly lacking hime and cry raised by the friends of the old

trameis of party.

-We were a little surprised last week to in the traditional resources of the "old soldier." bank of the United States was fearful, but time proved that the foresight shown by the President and his friends on that occasion, was the true policy and has since received the approval of all historians.

As we pass down nearer to our own times we have evidence of many stroves at reform that provoked violent ebullition among parties often changing majorities into minorities. This is the true policy of a Republican form of government. If men suffer themselves to drift along with party without considering the effect of measures inaugurated by its acts, this beedlessness produces a state of things bordering bankruptcy and ruin. Because a party out vies in numericial strength it is no sign that it is right until by its acts, its doings are found to be correct.

So with the present administration, its first advent to power was marked by a reform unavoidable by the force of circumstances produced by the slave-holders' rebellion. The reform by the emancipation of the slaves is a reform more notable than any other since we became a nation. Its inauguration was a season of mourning for the nation for the loss of her many sons who fell martyrs for the cause, shedding their life's blood upon their country's altar. Since the above event we seem not to have been blessed with rulers possessed of that wisdom which characterized our revolutionary sires after they had gained their independence, whereby they were led to avoid dishonesty and all the appearances of evil doing, but on the contrary those interested with the administration of the affairs of the nation have lent their influence and ability in completing and perfecting the most gigantic swindles, whereby the money of the government could be replaced within the reach of soulless corporations like credit Mobilier, Pacific Rail Road and Jay Gould corporations. Within the dominant party we have many men who are firmly convinced of the enormity of these frauds as practiced by their officials, yet they seem unwilling to absolve themselves from the obligations of party, still stultifying their true understanding by yielding assent to the behests of their idol. Many members of the Republican party who once claimed affinity with their present opponents, joined themselves thereto as a party of reform were honest in their convictions and Youths' Suits from age 15 to Men's sizes. acted from principal more than impulse.

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But the present era is remarkable for the enor-

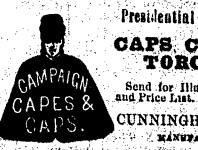
mous frauds practiced by the officers of the

general government in the misuse of the money

applied to certain purposes by these keepers of

public trust placed where scarce a dollar ever reaches the place for which it was designed at the time of appropriation. These enormities are becoming more and more public, attracting and using very much of the time of our Senators and Congressmen by the appointment of committees of investigation and the hearing of eports, which are rapidly, in proper order exhibiting the heinous abuses of these public plunderers. The impeachment of Belknap and turther examination into the accounts of others holding positions of equal trust should satisfy all unprejudiced minds that all of these declarations are well founded. It hardly seems possible that men who have hitherto shown themselves qualified to judge of the need of reform, are not equally alert to correct the abuses of the present day. Can it be possible that any of the friends of earlier years are imbibing the sentiment expressed by Judge Black, recently before the Senate at Washington as counsel in the defense of Belknap against impeachment. The Judge said, "It will not do to punish these officials though their guilt be both acknowledged and proven for the precedent is so common with men in higher places you cannot well counteract it." We are not willing to believe that the friends of earlier years are unconvinced of the need of the day or the hour when a reform should begin, and such a reform as will be acceptable to all the well wishers of good government. Under that consideration we hereby extend the right hand of fellowship, hoping that there will be no further delay in the privilege of being welcomed into the Democratic fold. To all others, whether Liberals or Republicans, who feel that reform is the true watchword for the perpetuity of our national life and liberty, we offer the same conditions above expressed. Come and unite with us in this Centennial year for the reform of all the abuses which may have fastened themselves upon the body politic of the nation, root out all the tares from the wheat, and set at work such principles as will restore the nation to its pristine purity. Inaugurate the day when official thieves shall know that their lease of office expires upon the first appearance of official peculation. Let all persons permitted to fill places of trust feel that they are the servants of the people and that to them they are strictly accountable for their stewardshipjoin bands with all who seek genuine reform. spare no work that will convince the most skeptical that you are honest in reform work and that all promises shall be fulfilled to the letter. Let reform be inscribed upon every banner in the land so that the far off Rio Grand may catch the glad sound and send a response that will fill the hearts of all the people with joy from Georgia to Maine, and cause all the states from the shores of the Atlantic to the slopes of the Pacific to join in the grand scheme of electing Tilden and Hendricks, using reform as our watchword and talisman. J. BRADSHAW.

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