

Correspondence, containing important news, admitted from any part of the county. No communications are inserted unless accompanied by the real name of the writer.

Democratic State Convention.

The Democratic State Convention of Pennsylvania will assemble in the Opera House, Allentown, at 10 A. M. on Wednesday April 9th, 1884, to nominate a large to the National Convention and six Electors at-large to conform and ratify the choice of representative delegates to the National Convention, and representative electors by the members of the State Convention from the respective congressional districts, and to transact such other business as the convention may determine.

W. U. HENSEL, Chr. Dem. State Com.

J. B. Lichty, Clerk. Phila., Pa., Feb. 24, 1884.

Local Department.

The Bouquet.

At a hotel table sat, Bridget bride and bridegroom Pat. While a city dweller on the opposite seat, Of the celery began to eat. Bridget's eyes with wonder grew; "Paddy," whispered she, "luk you At that taste sweet the way Atin up that swate booky."

—Why grind stone? Boo! This is March. What did the spirit level? —The only feminine month—May. —Kill the calf, the prodigal sun has returned.

—Our cold weather discourages the spring poet.

—Coffee and rolls are served free every Friday evening in the Y. M. C. A. rooms.

—If you were to compare the way March came in with a wild beast, wouldn't it be lion?

—The cold weather caused the weather prophets to exclaim rather jubilantly: "Aha! What did I tell you?"

—Why is it that your nose and chin are always on the outs? Because words are continually passing between them.

—Most of the enterprising journals of country report the hangings as a matter of course.—Texas Siftings—Upon our word that is well executed.

—Mr. J. C. Harper announces himself as a candidate for re-election to the office of Prothonotary. The same bee is "buzzing" in Lew. Schofer's ear.

—The firm of Doll & Mingle was dissolved on Saturday March 1st, 1884, Mr. Lewis Doll retiring. The business will be carried on by Mr. A. C. Mingle.

—Mr. C. T. Alexander has retired from the firm of Alexander & Co., dealers in agricultural implements, etc. The firm name is now Jas. R. Alexander & Co. The lime and coal business will be carried on by Alexander & Bro.

—Mr. Andy Lonberger and Robert Irvin, the popular house and ornamental painters, are making a specialty of paper hanging this spring. Will also furnish paper if desired. All work promptly executed. Orders left at H. K. Hicks' hardware will receive prompt attention. 10-31

—Mr. John C. Miller spent several days up north last week in the interest of the Bellefonte Nail Co. He announces that if the prices of nails were no higher than himself he could have taken orders enough to keep the works running day and night for the next six months.

—Upon the first page of our paper we publish a complete list of the articles exhibited in the Gregg. Post rooms during the Art Loan Exhibition. Persons wishing copies of the CENTRE DEMOCRAT containing this report, can secure them at this office at five cents per copy.

—During the past two weeks we have received a number of communications from the country, but the writers forgot to give their real name, and in consequence thereof were not published. Communications not accompanied by the writer's name invariably finds its way to our waste basket. See instructions to correspondence in our issue of February 21st.

—Commissioner Wolf was rather unfortunate a few days since. He endeavored to drive a steer over a bridge. Mr. Steership decided not to go but concluded to pass over another bridge—the bridge of Mr. Wolf's nose, in consequence of which our worthy Commissioner's nose presents the appearance of a hollid strawberry.

—Mr. David I. Parsons, who has been in the employ of Jas. Harris & Co. for some time past, has severed his connection with that firm and accepted a position with H. K. Hicks, in whose employ he had formerly been. David has probably had more experience in the hardware line than any one in Bellefonte, having served in that business for over 25 years.

—J. H. Johnston, the Gun Man, or better known as owner and proprietor of the Great Western Gun Works, Pittsburgh, Pa., will mail free a large illustrated catalogue of rifles, shot guns, revolvers, etc. He will send you a gun by express. You can examine it at express office, and if not satisfactory return it at his cost. This is certainly a very fair proposition, and is guarantee of honest dealing.

Personal.

Rev. Laurie is not expected home for several weeks yet.

Mr. Wm. Lyons, of Howard, Pa., was in town on Tuesday.

Miss Nervie Harman is again clerking for The Singer Manufacturing Co.

Mr. Willard Crow, of the Y. M. C. A. returned to Bellefonte Tuesday morning.

Mrs. John G. Love has gone to Clifton Springs, N. Y., to recuperate her health.

Mr. Jas. Montgomery took his departure for his home in Wausau, Wis., Thursday last.

Mrs. Adam McEwen, of Hubersburg, spent Monday and Tuesday visiting friends in Bellefonte.

Miss Bessie Montgomery has returned home after a three weeks visit to friends in Harrisburg and Milton.

Mr. Geo. Downing spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Bellefonte returning to Altoona on Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Frank Adams, the popular merchant of Milesburg, dropped in to see us for a short while on Thursday last. He reports business booming.

Rev. J. F. Delong preached an interesting sermon in the Presbyterian church last Sabbath morning in the absence of the regular pastor Rev. Laurie.

Miss Laura Hemphill, of Erie, Pa., who came here to attend the funeral of Miss Annie Hibler, is at present the guest of Mrs. W. E. Burchfield, at Phillipsburg.

Mr. Henry Yeager formerly of this place and who moved to Youngstown, Ohio, about two years ago, moved his family to Altoona a short time since where Mr. Yeager, and Geo. W. Downing are engaged in keeping a restaurant.

Miss Lizzie Keyser, the young lady who answered the "calls" at the Telephone Exchange so acceptably for the past two years, has severed her connection with that institution. It is rumored that she contemplates joining another great corporation ere long, over which she will have undisputed Powers to command.

OBITUARY.—This morning Miss Annie E. Hibler died at the residence of her uncle, Col James Hemphill, after a protracted illness. Deceased had lived with her aunt and uncle nine years in Erie. She was a member of the senior class at the High School two years ago, but owing to her delicate health was obliged to forego the pleasure of graduating with her young friends. Intellectually she was the peer of the best in her class; she was possessed of all the noble traits of character and graces of person that could be desired. She was beloved by all classes for her lovable and happy disposition. She was a Sunday scholar at the Park Church from her early childhood until a few years ago, when she became a teacher. There her beautiful Christian character shone brightest. Her death will cause genuine regret and sorrow wherever she was known. The funeral services will be held to-morrow morning at the residence of Col. Hemphill, Rev. Dr. Fullerton officiating, after which the remains will be taken to Bellefonte, Pa., for interment.—Erie Herald.

The death of this most estimable young lady we briefly alluded to in our last issue, having been informed of the sad event after our paper was made up for press. We knew her as a most interesting little girl, and took great pleasure in the knowledge of her beautiful character in advancement to womanhood. We most sincerely sympathize with her friends in the bereavement. She was a member of the Presbyterian church in Erie, and was buried from the church of that denomination in this place, the Rev. G. W. Penepacker, of the M. E. Church, officiating in the absence of the pastor.

ANOTHER NEW INDUSTRY.—A meeting was held in the parlor of the Bush House Thursday 28th, ult., and organized for the manufacture and sale of Hamilton Seed Drill Regulator, with the following board of directors: John Hamilton, Moses Thompson, Jas. Y. McKee, Wm. Thompson, Jr., and Jacob Jackson. The capital stock is \$40,000 and is divided into 16000 shares (\$25 each). The stock has all been taken. The charter will be obtained as soon as possible, and a reasonable number of Regulators will be manufactured for the coming season.

A few of our legal gentlemen were in Harrisburg last week in the interest of some one of the numerous candidates for Associate Judge.

Mr. James Harris contemplates building a three-story brick building on the lot owned by him corner High and Water streets. Work will be begun as soon as the weather will permit.

The teachers of Centre county were requested to meet in the school house in Bellefonte on Saturday forenoon for the purpose of organizing a Teachers Association. As only nine, besides our own teachers, were present, the meeting was only partially successful. Prof. D. M. Wolf was elected President and Prof. Henry Keller Secretary. On account of the limited number of teachers present a motion to organize was not carried. Wednesday A. M. of the Annual meeting of the Teachers Institute was appointed for the consideration of the matter, and Prof. Wolf was instructed to appoint a committee to present the subject before the Institute at that time.

SPRING MILLS ITEMS.—Since my last letter the population of our little city has increased one.—[Is it a boy or a girl?—Ed.]

—On the 27th, ult., Amos Alexander was married to Miss Clara Sweetwood, of near Centre Hill. And this another of our young men has been added to the order of Benedicts. Being well acquainted with Miss Clara, having sustained to her the relation of teacher to pupil, I congratulate Amos on his good fortune in having secured so inestimable a young lady for a wife.—Another house has also been added to our town. Mr. Launty, of Georges valley, has built a house on Railroad street.—The late cold snap partly covered the mill dam with ice, and on Saturday the boys got out their skates again and had a jolly old time.—The Presbyterian and Reformed congregations have organized a union choir under the lead of Frank J. Barick, with Mrs. James Crawford, nee Miss Mary Miller, and Prof. Barick as organists.—Mr. Aurand has sold his drug store to two gentlemen who will remove the stock to Ohio. Mr. Aurand returns to Union county.

PENN HALL ITEMS.—Chas. Fisher is again able to be around.

The Telephone man has been to Spring Mills looking up places to put their instruments. Penn Hall will take one for sure. Come and see us, Mr. Telephone man.

Hat band sewing is all the go among our belles.

Jonathan Condo was married last Tuesday to Miss Ellen Allison, from Cedar Springs, Clinton county. They are at present visiting his brother, J. P. Condo. Well, Jons, that was right, and we wish you a happy and prosperous life as the years roll by.

Calvin Weaver, we are sorry to say, is about leaving us. Mr. Weaver is an excellent clerk, and will be missed by many. He has some notion of making the West his home.

Surprise parties and walking matches are becoming quite popular for so early in the season.

Miss Havilla Mills, from Lock Haven, is visiting at J. P. Condo's.

Cal Fisher had the misfortune of striking his thumb very bandly with a hammer. Wm. Meese moved into his new house last week.

The guests at the wedding that took place last week were greatly disappointed, as they expected to have a hop and a general tear-up, but all in vain. The Rev. did not leave till the next morning.

MOUNTAIN BOY

COBURN DOTS.—Blustering March is here.—H. C. King is putting up a new house on Main street.—New Elders and deacons were elected by the Evangelical church on Wednesday evening.—Miss Lizzie Katheron is the new train signaller, with C. Dinges for guard.—The spelling bee was not well attended. Some persons would rather have their children run about the streets and use profane language.—Miss Emma Wolf is the new assistant P. M.—W. H. Casler is delivering the largest sticks of sawed lumber at the station.—Some persons have raised false reports about the Postmaster of this place for the avowed purpose of taking the office. Better beware. There is still a place for such persons.

THE CONTEST FOR GLASS BLOWERS' PIPES.—For some time past a set, consisting of six Glass Blowers' Pipes, were exhibited in the window of J. C. Miller & Co's. store. A placard explained that the Pipes were to be contested for by Mr. Victor C. Mair and Mr. James Conroy, two very popular Glass workers of Bellefonte. Each gentleman at once went to work with a will to secure the valuable prize. On Saturday evening the money collected for this purpose was turned over to the relief fund of Gregg Post. About one hundred spectators were present. After the money had been counted order was called. Mr. D. F. Fortney, on behalf of Gregg Post, then announced the result, stating that the amount collected by Victor Mair was \$84.00, and that James Conroy had collected \$107.85, and consequently, the latter gentleman had won the pipes, and in a neat and appropriate address, presented to the victor the handsome implements of his vocation. He gave a brief history of the manufacture of glass, dating back as far as 8000 years B. C. In conclusion Mr. Fortney stated that Comrade Fees of Pittsburgh had suggested the idea of such a contest. After Mr. Fortney had closed his remarks, Mr. Jno. G. Love advanced to the front and taking Mr. Mair by the hand remarked: "There is as much credit in a skillful retreat as in a victory. The immortal Washington gained much of his military glory by the manner in which he conducted his retreats," and Mr. Mair was advised to do likewise. "But that he might retire with greater satisfaction from a contest where only one could win he, on behalf of Gregg Post, would present to him a very handsome gold headed cane." Messrs. Mair and Conroy tendered their thanks, after which they were surrounded by their friends who offered congratulations and best wishes. Mr. Jas. H. Rankin announced that the money thus raised is not for the benefit of Gregg Post, but for the benefit of the widows and orphans of dead comrades. The money is placed in bank and can only be used for the purpose above named.

TRAITS OF STATES.—The most egotistical of the United States, "Me."—Lancell Courier.—The most religious—"Miss."—The Hatchet.—A favorite to the ladies—New Jersey.

—The most complete line of Gent's furnishing goods, at Garman's.

—Wedding cards and all kinds of printing at the CENTRE DEMOCRAT office.

—Buy tombstones and monuments at S. A. Stover's, High street marble yard.

—We are indebted to 'Gus Hoover for P. S.—That's a ten cent local—just the amount we were indebted for. The post-script is gratis.

—If your harness is in need of repairs take them to Butts & Powers, Alleghany street, above the post office.

—Mr. Jno. C. Miller wishes to purchase a small printing press. Call at the Nail Works or at the book store of Miller & Hoover.

—It is estimated that it will cost over \$100,000 to rebuild the fences along the west branch of the Susquehanna, caused by the late ice gorge.

—There will be no services in the Reformed church next Sabbath on account of the regular pastor, Rev. J. F. DeLong's, expected absence.

—A good two foot rule—keep your feet dry.—News. Well, the perpetrator of that pun should be punished, and his coat tail ought to come in contact with about one-half of that rule.

If you wish to take a drive or in want of a carriage or anything in the livery line just step around to Abe Baums stable, and he can fit you out to a T.

—Lost — a Spear — somewhere between Water street and the depot on Monday night. For further particulars call at the Telephone exchange. P. S. Please wear a helmet of steel and a coat of mail.

—The sale of the extensive coal lands and interest of Berwind, White & Co., of Snow Shoe, Pa., has been effected, the purchasers being the Lehigh Valley R. R. Co. This will put renewed life and activity in Snow Shoe and vicinity.

—The Delaware almshouse at Lima is so (d)amful that some of the inmates are compelled to lie on the floor. This is an other inducement for people to come to Bellefonte. We scarcely know anything of an almshouse here.

—Hon. L. A. Mackey, of Lock Haven, who spent several days in Bellefonte last week, returned to his home Friday evening. His mission to Bellefonte was to arrange in regard to the letting of the B. & N. & L. railroad. Several contractors traveled over the route. The contracts will be awarded in all probability within the next ten days.

—The largest and most complete line of hats, Garman's.

—A surprise party, composed of little folks, repaired to the residence of Squire Smith, on Bishop street, on last Friday evening to celebrate the 12th birthday of Miss Millie, the Squire's second daughter. After a number of games and forfeits were gone through with, refreshments were served. The evening was spent very pleasantly and was very enjoyable to all. Millie is a very pleasant little Miss, and we wish her the return of many happy birthdays.

—Fedora's, and the new shapes in stiff hats, at Garman's.

—In giving the Election returns for Huston Township last week we in mistake published the name of Mr. A. W. Hartsock (Republican) as the elected candidate for Judge of Election. The Democrats of Huston put in nomination a first-class man in the person of Chas. Murray and by hard work succeeded in his election. Since Mr. Murray is only the second Democratic candidate elected in that Township for 21 years we gladly correct the error, and congratulate the Democrats of Huston.

LEGAL HOLIDAYS IN VARIOUS STATES, —July 4 (Independence Day), and December 25 (Christmas Day), together with Thanksgiving Day (usually last Thursday in Nov.), and Fast days, when appointed, are legal holidays in all the States.

January 1 (New Year's Day), in all States except Arkansas, Delaware, Georgia, Kentucky, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Rhode Island, and South Carolina.

February 22 (Washington's Birthday), in all States except Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Maine, Missouri, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Tennessee and Texas.

General Election Day (generally on Tuesday after first Monday in November), in California, Maine, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Oregon, South Carolina and Wisconsin.

Decoration Day (May 30), in Colorado, Connecticut, Maine, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont.

Good Friday (March 28), in Florida, Louisiana, Minnesota and Pennsylvania.

Shrove Tuesday (February 6), Louisiana, Office of Mobile, Montgomery and Selma, Alabama.

Memorial Day (April 26), in in Georgia.

Anniversary of the Battle of New Orleans (January 8), in Louisiana.

Lincoln's Birthday (February 12), in La. Firemen's Anniversary (March 4), in Louisiana.

Anniversary of Texan Independence (March 2), and Battle of San Jacinto (April 21), Texas.

—New embroideries, Garman's.

—Twenty styles in lace curtains, at Garman's.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CONVENTION.

—Some fears having been expressed in different quarters that the accommodations in Allentown might not be adequate to the entertainment of the large number of persons attending the convention, I have been assured to the contrary by many responsible and well-informed citizens. The local committee of arrangements, Hon. E. Nackle, Catawqua, chairman, gives every assurance that nothing will be left undone to secure ample accommodations for all visitors; and delegates and others desiring to attend the convention are recommended to correspond with S. W. Nitch, Esq., Chairman Democratic City Executive Committee, Allentown, for all necessary information and arrangements.

County chairmen, State committeemen and delegates elect to the convention are requested to promptly forward their names and addresses to the chairman of the State committee, so that they may be promptly informed of all arrangements for transportation, etc.

Persons contesting the seats of delegates or whose seats are contested, will please give notice of the same.

Special attention is called to the fact that the hour for the assembling of the convention is 10 A. M., and not noon.

In arranging the seats delegates will be grouped by congressional districts to facilitate the selection of the electors and national delegates.

A meeting of the State Executive Committee (of seven) will be held at the American Hotel, Allentown, on Tuesday April 8th, at 9 P. M., to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of the late Hon. R. E. Packer.

W. U. HENSEL, Chairman.

R. B. Spangler & Co. have the finest furniture establishment in this section of the State. If you don't believe this just step around and see for yourself.

THE WEDDINGS.—At the end of the first year comes the cotton wedding; second year, paper; third year, leather; fifth year, wooden; seventh year, woolen; tenth year, tin; twelfth year, silk and fine linen; fifteenth year, crystal; twentieth year, china; twenty-fifth year, silver; thirtieth year, pearl; fortieth year, ruby; fiftieth year, gold, seventy-fifth year, diamond.

A RAMIFYING SUBJECT.—Cold weather — a dead ram.—Merchant Traveller.

—Aren't ewe a little off on that my son? —Vanity Fair.

That's right; lamb it to him. It wool teach him better next time.—Washington Hatchet.

Who asked you to sheep in? Its shear nonsense, any way.

—Nobby styles in hats, at Garman's.

ANNOUNCEMENT.—Having moved into the rooms corner Allegheny and High streets, my facilities are far superior than heretofore, and I would respectfully announce that I am now prepared to do a kind of tailoring in the latest and most fashionable styles with promptness and dispatch. I have on hand a fine line of goods, and you will find it to your interest to call and examine my stock and learn my prices when in want of a fine suit of clothes or a first-class overcoat.

Respectfully, W. I. FLEMING.

N. E. cor. Allegheny and High sts. n74f.

—Muslims at astonishing low prices at Garman's.

—Messrs. Bunnell & Aikens have a very fine selection of solid gold watches, jewelry and a full line of silverware, which they offer cheaper than any other store in Bellefonte.

—Very latest style hats and caps at Lewin's.

—Four cabinets for less money than four card sizes would cost elsewhere, at Boyer's, Bishop street.

—Winter stock must go. Special bargains at Lewin's.

—Celluloid cuffs and collars, all sizes, at Lewin's.

—Everybody is invited to Searfoss & Mayer's to buy bread, pies, cakes and confections.

AUCTIONEER.—The undersigned, the fastest and best salesman in Central Pennsylvania, having more than twenty years experience in selling Farms, Farm Stock, Merchandise, etc. offers his services to the citizens of Centre and adjoining counties as a First-class Salesman. Charges reasonable. Address JOSEPH L. NEFF, Roland, Centre county, Pa.

4-3m. Centre county, Pa.

WANTED.—A position by an experienced and competent blacksmith. Can do anything in the blacksmithing line. Habits regular. Address "MECHANIC," care CENTRE DEMOCRAT, Bellefonte, Pa. 6-4f.

SNOW SHOE, Mar. 1, 1884.

Below is the return of coal sent over the B. & S. S. Branch of the Tyrone Division for week ending Mar. 1, 1884.

Table with columns: Week, Previously, Total. Rows for 1884 and 1883.

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—Twenty-six styles of hats at Garman's.

—Wilson, McFarlane & Co., call attention to the only reliable Ready Mixed Paint in the market. The Pioneer Prepared Paint is not only superior to any Ready Mixed Paint sold but rivals pure white lead in its smoothness in working and durability. This paint is guaranteed by the manufacturers not to crack or peel within three years. The guarantee is not only good for repainting the paint but it will be put on if it should crack or peel within the time specified. It will be to your interest to call and see Wilson, McFarlane & Co., before purchasing either white lead or any other Ready Mixed Paint.

BUTTS & POWERS, PRACTICAL HARNESS MAKERS,

UP-STAIRS ABOVE POSTOFFICE, Allegheny Street, Bellefonte, Pa.

Are prepared to do all kinds of Fancy and Heavy Harness Making at Reasonable Prices and

—IN THE—

Most Skillful Manner. Repairing done with neatness and dispatch. We challenge competition in price and workmanship. Give us a trial and be convinced. All work guaranteed before leaving the shop. 1-3m.

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Coburn, Centre Co., Pa.

GOOD MEALS, CLEAN BEDS.

PRICES MODERATE.

HOTEL WITHIN TWO MINUTES' WALK TO STATION. Good Stable Accommodations. Excellent Hunting and Fishing grounds quite near this Hotel.

JOS. KLECKNER - Prop'r.

HOMES FOR SALE!

Come and Buy.

2 1/2 ACRES ON FIFTH AVENUE, In whole or lots.

A TWO-STORY BRICK on Alleghany Street.

A TWO-STORY BRICK On High street.

A TWO-STORY BRICK On Thomas street.

A TWO-STORY FRAME On Willow Bank street, \$1800

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A TWO-STORY FRAME On Bishop street.