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CENTRE HALL, PA., THURS. JULY 11.

You will find G. R. Spigelmyer's RACKET STORE in Crider's Exchange, Bellefonte. Everything under regular prices.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Well, this week we had a fair sample of warm weather.

The new mill of Kurtz & Son will likely be in operation in a week's time.

Now is the time to make war upon the Canada thistle. Every good farmer will "go for 'em."

It is wiser to eat old potatoes, at 20 cents per bushel than new ones at 35 cents per peck and wholesaler too.

A heavy rain on Friday, 28th, caused big washout in the upper end of the valley and in the section of the Loop.

Work seems to be plenty generally—wages from 75 cts to \$1 and \$1.25 for day laborers. Mechanics are getting from \$1.25 to \$2.50 per day.

Howard Condo and family, who moved from Brush Valley to Johns town last spring, had the good luck to escape the general destruction.

Col. Spangler's subordinates at Johnstown, presented him with a sword last week, upon the close of his duties, as a mark of their esteem, and he may well feel proud of it.

Mr. Beatty Tate, a well known citizen of Pleasant Gap, died in that place at 4 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, 2nd, of dropsy. He was about 66 years of age. His death was quite sudden.

Dan Smith on Monday, started overland for West Virginia from this place, with several teams belonging to the Whitmer lumber job, which will be used on similar jobs down there.

On the 6th the coroner's jury of Cambria county found the millionaire members of the South Fork Fishing Club responsible for the awful loss of life and destruction of property by the flood of May 31.

Another bank clerk has gone wrong in Detroit, and left for Canada, Canada is getting full of these rascally bank clerks. Some, instead of going to Canada, have gone to the dogs—but its death to the dogs.

Frank Speck, while fishing in a dam at Carlisle, caught a hell-bender two feet long. Gosh, that's nothing, up here in Centre county fellows have a hell-bender every time they go fishing. They take it along in a bottle.

The Philadelphia Record says that some times men give according to their means, and sometimes according to their meanness. This is a clerical bon-mot nearly as old as the hills, but we can bear hearing it once in a while.

The longest trout yet caught in this valley was one taken out of Elk creek, by A. D. Walizer, of Millheim, a few weeks ago. It measured 22 inches, and was taken on a bait hook. Walizer says the next whopper he catches will be sent to the Recorder's office, as a sample of his skill as an angler.

Centre Hall boys should remember that it is against the boro laws to play ball on the streets, and that it is most dangerous to play ball near any of the churches. The boro officials should see that this ordinance is enforced, at least so far as playing near the churches is concerned, endangering the windows.

We are informed there is a little unpleasantness connected with the distribution of the relief for the Millheim flood sufferers. This should not be thus, for the good Lord only knows when they will have another wash down that way, and if bad feelings are to spring from the flood they did have, why they may never be favored with such another.

Fire was discovered on Saturday evening in the kitchen part of Mrs. Bairford's residence. It originated with a defective fire which rested upon a plank; the plank took fire and it soon got into the plastered walls. A timely discovery and immediate application of water arrested the further progress of the blaze, which might have ended quite seriously.

Becher & Sober have purchased all the timber on 77 tracts of land in Noyes township, Clinton county, in the Baker run region. Some was bought from the West Branch coal, iron ore and lumber company, some from Noyes & Robbins and some known as the Cox lands. This may not be good news for pheasants and other game up in those sections, unless our friend Sober forgets to take his shooting iron along.

For years past partisans who own lands south of Lock Haven have contended that they were underlaid with rich deposits of iron ore. Several attempts have been made to put the ore on the market, but all have failed. A few days ago an expert mining engineer visited the lands and, with one day's prospecting, found veins of both hematite and bog ore which are rich in iron, and which the expert was confident would by analysis be shown to contain fifty per cent of iron. Samples of the ore are now being analyzed, and in a few days the work of opening the veins will commence. The intention of the capitalists who sent the expert to examine the land is to mine and ship the ore to other points, where it will be used to feed furnaces and rolling mills.

A CLOUD BURST.

The Water to a Height of 27 Feet.

AN UNPUBLISHED ACCOUNT BELONGING TO THE CENTRE COUNTY FLOODS.

The flood which destroyed Johnstown and the flood which did so much damage at Millheim and along Elk creek in our county, were caused by the bursting of dams overtaken by an extraordinary volume of water from excessive rains, in which the destruction of life and property caused thereby would not have occurred had these dams been able to withstand the strains, and their accumulated waters been held within their basins.

In one of the mountain districts of our county there was an actual cloud burst at the time of the flood of which no account has yet been published, which we proceed now to do, having visited the locality and seen its marks and effects.

In the mountains opposite Paddy Mountain station are three gorges. The first of these is coured by Poe creek; the next, 1/2 mile farther east, is quite a narrow gorge, coured by a mere rivulet, years ago called Kryder run, now named Panther run; a 1/4 mile east of the mouth of this is Swift (Rough) run. These three streams empty into Peans creek, within a distance of one mile.

Poe run is a good sized stream and drains Poe valley. Swift run is one-half as large and drains a long but narrow gorge. There were no dams on either Swift run or Panther run, the breaking of which would cause a sudden rise of either of these creeks. Yet on Saturday morning of the flood a wave came down Panther run and Swift run gaps which left marks that show 27 feet of water. On the petty Panther run rivulet a steam sawmill and several houses were swept off, with teams, stables and all, leaving nothing but deep washouts and clean cut banks behind.

On Swift run the watery element showed more terrible violence. The stream had a rock lined bed and sides, with an almost impassable thicket of trees along its shores, and had numerous windings. Down the course of this run came a flood of water, which at some points shows a height of 27 feet; its banks have been cut away leaving perpendicular walls 20 feet high and over, and in one of its most crooked sections, where it took nearly a mile to its mouth, it cut a perfectly straight channel and makes the distance within less than a half mile, with a clean and clear cut bed 60 feet wide in place of the old which was from 6 to 10 feet in width, telling the terrific force and power of the water.

In the upper part of this gap heavy tramways were carried off like boards, and went thundering down the gap on the wings of the irresistible waters, pell-mell into Peans creek to join the flood from Millheim, which about that hour made its appearance at Paddy mountain, and with the roar of a dozen thunder gists came along with its wreckage of houses, horses, stables, fences, bridges, etc., from Peans and Brush valleys. Here the flood caused by a cloud burst in the mountain, joined in maddened glee with the fierce flood from the valleys.

In these mountain gaps, far up from the mouths of the streams, the mountain sides as well as the flats show large holes and gullies from the action of a sudden outpour of water from the clouds off from the course of the runs.

That this was a tremendous cloudburst is unmistakable; the absence of dams, the sudden rise and great height of the flood prove it in the Panther run and Swift run territory, while Poe creek, within a half mile of its sisters, showed no unusual rise above what a heavy rain would cause, no washing away of fields, fences, or cutting away of its embankments such as can be seen for all time hereafter along the courses of the other two streams.

Here we have proof of an actual cloud burst, which, had it occurred in some thickly settled section would have caused terrible havoc with lives and property as these phenomena occur without warning.

This cloudburst, it will be understood, took place in the watersheds of Swift and Panther runs, while that closely adjoining on Poe creek was not affected.

The Law on Floods or Drift.

Section 1. Be it enacted, etc., That any person or persons, other than the lawful owner or owners, who shall deface, obliterate or remove, or procure another or others to deface, obliterate or remove, any mark, letter or brand from any sawlog, board, shingle, bolt, or lumber of any kind, floating in or lodged upon the banks of any of the rivers or streams of this commonwealth, or who shall destroy, split, saw, or in any way convert the same to his or their own use or who, not being the owner or owners thereof, shall knowingly sell any such logs, boards, shingles, bolts, or other lumber, or who shall knowingly buy the same from any person or persons, other than the lawful owner or owners, or who shall willfully or with intent to defraud and injure another or others, countersfeit or use the mark, letter, or brand, used by him or them on any such logs, boards, shingles, bolts, or lumber of any kind, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to undergo an imprisonment for any period not exceeding two years, and to pay a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, both or either, at the discretion of the court.

APPROVED: The 23d day of May, A. D., 1887. JAMES A. BEAVER.

Canada Thistles.

Farmers who know of an effective way to keep down the Canada thistle should send in their experience to the Recorder so that the best way to exterminate them may become known to others. Keep mowing them down if you know no other remedy.

Mr. McNitt says tramp the horses over the thistle patches in wet weather.

D. C. Keller has found that sowing London purple over them killed them. Another farmer says keep plowing them up, and they will wear out.

Farmer Bush thinks sowing salt over the patches so that sheep and cattle will keep them down by licking and tramping, is a good plan.

Any, and all of these plans should be used. The Reporter would advise going for 'em, like the d—, day and night.

Commissioner to Paris.

Governor Beaver has appointed Louis E. Reber, professor of mechanical engineering in the Pennsylvania State College, commissioner from Pennsylvania to Paris. He sails on July 10.

Ten Good Things to Know.

1. That salt will curdle new milk, hence in preparing milk porridge, gravies, etc., the salt should not be added until the dish is prepared.

2. That clear boiling water will remove tea stains and many fruit stains. Pour the water through the stain and thus prevent its spreading over the fabric.

3. That ripe tomatoes will remove ink and other stains from white cloth, also from the hands.

4. That a teaspoonful of turpentine boiled with white clothes will aid in the whitening process.

5. That boiled starch is much improved by the addition of a little sperm salt or gum arabic dissolved.

6. That beeswax and salt will make rusty flat irons as clean and smooth as glass. Tie a lump of wax in a rag and keep it for that purpose. When the irons are hot, rub them first with the wax rag, then scour with a paper or cloth sprinkled with salt.

7. That blue ointment and kerosene mixed in equal proportions and applied to the bedsheets is an unfailing bedbug remedy, as a coat of whitewash is for the walls of a log house.

8. That kerosene will soften boots or shoes that have been hardened by water, and render them as pliable as new.

9. That kerosene will make tin tea kettles as bright as new. Saturate a woolen rag and rub with it. It will also remove stains from varnished furniture.

10. That cool rain water and soda will remove machine grease from washable fabrics.—The Sanitarian.

Facts for all.

In spite of all competition the Philad. Branch clothing store, remains headquarters for actual bargains in ready made clothing for men and boys. Lewins introduced cheap clothing in Centre county, and has kept it at that all the time; he kept honest goods, no trash, and, as a rule, always sold from 25 to 30 per cent below any other clothing store in this part of the state. Bear these facts in mind—you have never had a truer friend than the Philad. Branch.

Killed by an Exploding Gun.

On last Monday evening Joseph Shreffler of Pine Grove Mills was killed by a gun which exploded in his hands. He went out hunting and not coming home, search was made next morning by neighbors, when his body was found by Wm. Meyers in the woods, with a deep shot wound in his head, which entered the brain. The gun was found by his side, with breech blown out which entered his brain. He leaves a wife and child, and was about 40 years of age.

Leg Broken.

Amos Epply, employed in loading lumber above the ankle on Wednesday. He was on a car while a log was being put on, and intending to step on the edge of the car he unfortunately got his foot down between the inside edge of the car, while his body was thrown outward, causing a fracture of the leg from which the bones protruded. Mr. Epply's home is at Shamokin.

Installation.

The new pastor of the Bealsburg Reformed church, Rev. A. A. Black, was installed on last Friday. The installation committee consisted of Reva, Wolf, Dotterer and Yearick. The sermon for the occasion was preached by Rev. Yearick.

Personal.

Gertie, daughter of C. D. Runkle, of Philadelphia, is visiting relatives in this section.

Chas. Bollinger and wife of Altoona, formerly of this place, are here visiting friends.

Dan. Poorman spent the 4th at his home. He is employed as a trimmer in a large carriage works at York.

Misses Gross and Hoy, of New Berlin, are spending some time in this place as guests of Miss Anna Mingle.

Mrs. John B. Reed, nee Miss Hilbish of Rebersburg, but now of Philadelphia, is visiting at the home of her uncle, H. Kreamer.

Prof. Little, late principal of our schools, was here on a visit. Prof. is on his way to Virginia to take a thorough course in a law school in that state.

Miss Clara and Blanche Rice, two young ladies of Reedsville, arrived at this place on Friday last, and will spend some time at the home of S. W. Smith, near this place.

Miss Minnie Kurtz, of Milliflinn, who recently graduated in music at Bucknell Female Institute, Lewisburg, has gone to Somerset county to teach music. She is a daughter of L. D. Kurtz formerly of Aaronburg.

Mr. Wm. Campbell, miller for Kurtz & Son, who obtained a situation in a St. Louis mill after the fire, has returned on a visit to his family. He seems pleased with the west but we guess still prefers old Pennsylvania.

James Shires and wife, of Johnstown, formerly of our town, are here visiting friends, their house was in the wrecked part of the town, and they escaped with their lives by fleeing to the hills before the wave came upon them; their effects were lost.

Corn promises an average crop.

Murray's Vanilla—best—cheapest try it.

Sprucecrown.

Mr. J. M. Gilliland, who was so seriously injured a few weeks ago by a bull, was so glad to see able to be about again.

Mr. Fayette Moore met with quite an accident one night last week by falling down the stairway receiving several large cuts in the head.

Mrs. Kamp, of Lock Haven, is home on a visit among friends and relatives.

Miss Maud Evans, of Nancy, is home on a visit to her parents at Potters Mills.

The 4th of July was very dull about here this year, not even as much as a fire cracker to be seen or heard.

The farmers are busy making hay and cutting grain this week. The first grain seen on shock was in the field of John H. Bible, July 3.

Mr. George Stiver, of Centre Hill, is on the sick list.

PILES! PILES! PILES!

Dr. William's Indian Pile Ointment is the only sure cure for Blind, Bleeding or Itching Piles ever discovered. It never fails to cure old chronic cases of long standing.

Judge Coons, Mayville, Ky., says: "Dr. William's Indian Pile Ointment cured me after years of suffering."

Judge Coffinbury, Cleveland, O., says: "I have found by experience that Dr. William's Indian Pile Ointment gives immediate and permanent relief."

We have hundreds of such testimonials. Do not suffer an instant longer. Sold by druggists at 50c & \$1 per box. ap2ly

Short Items.—The cherry crop was abundant this year.

New potatoes are selling at 35 per peck in Bellefonte, while old ones can be bought for 15 cents per bushel from the farmers.

The teams engaged on Whitmer's prop timber job at this place, have been removed to a timber job in Virginia.

A jolly old soldier from Snyder county spent the 4th in this place, and afforded much amusement for the boys. His wit was mixed with too much profanity and he carried his bar with him, and was ready to treat all creation, but he found few drinkers.

NEW JERSEY WINE SENT TO EUROPE.

Mr. Speer, (of New Jersey) the Great Wine Man's Success has arisen from the strict purity and valuable properties of his wines for invalids and feeble persons and his reputation extends around the world. His Port Grape Wine is now being ordered by families in London and Paris.

Among the many unfortunate ones in this part of the State we know of none who suffered more from the elements than John P. Potter, Esq., of Milesburg. When the great flood came it entirely ruined his beautiful garden, which was a great calamity for those who largely depended upon it. A second and worse misfortune followed in the destruction of his beautiful house by fire. The published accounts lead people to misunderstand the true situation, especially one account which intimated he would rebuild. The two calamities destroyed every cent that Mr. Potter had in the world. The insurance on the property was for the benefit of others and now that the property is gone the insurance does not benefit Mr. Potter at all. He is left with a large, carefully reared family and not a cent in the world, but with that confidence in an overruling Providence which gives him hope and trust in the future. We think this explanation, made without solicitation from anyone, is due to Mr. Potter and family, to show the extent which they suffer from these very great calamities. They have many friends who will deeply sympathize with them.—Daily News.

STAR SPRING WATER.

Saratoga Star Spring Water for sale in bottles and by the glass by all druggists.

Local Briefs.

Centre Hall has a large number of visitors at present.

Wheat is 85 cents; corn, 40; oats, 28 to 30; old potatoes, 15, new \$1.

Extract of Vanilla, wholesale and retail, at Murray's.

Selover & Atwood, one of the leading nurseries in the U. S., wants agents. See their ad. in Reporter.

Isaac Harpster played great ball at Altoona on the 4th with the Bellefonte team. Altoona was beaten 9 to 7. Isaac made a home run hit.

In spite of all competition Lewins continues to take the lead in ready made clothing, low prices as well as quality of goods. He gets ahead of all, sells more than all, pleases all, and fits and suits all.

John Heckman, of Gregg, has returned from a two weeks' visit to the west. Some things he likes and some he don't—he still prefers old Penns valley.

Lewins beats the state for large assortment of men and boys' clothing—and he beats the world and all clothing stores in it for low prices. There's where you save from \$5 to \$8 on a suit of clothes.

Orris McCormick had a run off at the station last week, caused by a shaft getting loose—horse kicked like sheel and tried to jump a large gate, but he went down with the gate.

What the Philad. Branch does not have in the line of ready-made clothing, it not worth having. The spring stock now on the counters is immense and goes ahead of anything you ever saw. Lewins is King for low prices.

Among the bequests in General Cameron's will was that of \$50,000 to S. Cameron Burnside of near Bellefonte. The farm on which Mr. Burnside resides, the Barnhart farm, worth about \$20,000, was bequeathed to him also.

For a fine stock of ready made clothing, for the largest assortment of ready made clothing, for the latest styles in men's and boys' clothing, for the best bargains in suits, always go to Fauble's, the Rochester Clothing House, opposite the Brokerhoff, Bellefonte.

Mr. Derstine, of Rockford, Ill., an older brother of Michael Derstine, of this place, is here visiting friends, Charles and Michael Derstine, of Lewis town, sons of Mr. Derstine, of this place, are also here visiting their parents. They have one of the best photograph galleries in this part of the state.

WHAT YOU WILL FIND

Rochester Clothing House.

A Handsome line of Men's Sacks and Cutaway Suits. Children's Suits of all kinds and prices. The finest line of Pants ever shown in the County. All the Latest Styles and Shapes of Hats. The finest selection of Neck Wear in the County. Percal and White Shirts by the hundreds. The most complete line of Furnishing Goods that you have ever seen. The greatest value for the least money. The very finest makes and fits of Clothing. The best equipped clothing store in Central Penn'a. That if what you buy from us don't suit you when taken home, if returned, money will be cheerfully refunded.

M. FAUBLE, Proprietor.

REYNOLD'S NEW BANK BUILDING, BELLEFONTE

The heat was broken by a little shower of rain on Wednesday night.

For a bargain in boots and shoes, let it be remembered, you never go amiss by calling at A. C. Mingle's boot and shoe store, Bellefonte. He keeps the most complete assortment in the town and the best goods in the market, from the finest to the lowest priced goods. When you go to Bellefonte call at Mingle's.

Some farmers tell us that their wheat crop will not be as good as expected, the fly having damaged it. We are also informed that in some localities the potato bug is more numerous than ever before. A few have found some weevil in the wheat but not to an alarming extent.

Robert McFarlane's hardware store in Bellefonte is headquarters for the celebrated Link Fence Wire. Having bought a car load before the recent advance in price, he is able to sell at very low rates. The link wire has stood the test of several years in our county and has proven first class in all respects. It is so easy to handle and put up and weighs a little less to the rod than any other. Write for prices.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria, When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria, When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria, When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

—BUILDING Lots, \$40 to \$60 per lot 1/4 of a mile east of station, for sale on easy terms. Apply to Frederick Kurtz.

CENTRE HALL ACADEMY.

The undersigned will open a select school on July 22, 1889 for the benefit of all who may desire the more fully to equip themselves for teaching, or who may desire to increase their knowledge in general.

Term to continue 9 weeks, under the directions of R. F. FETTEROLF, A. B. Teacher

Musical College.—The 36th session of six weeks, opens Monday evening, July 23, for the teaching of young ladies in vocal and instrumental music. Address, F. C. MOYER, Director, Freeburg, Pa.

JOHNSTOWN DISASTER. The above is the title of a beautiful new song and chorus, which will touch a sympathetic chord in every heart. The words are very touching and are wedded to sweet and plaintive melody. The chorus is well arranged and very effective.

The demand for this new song is already enormous. It has a finely illustrated title page, representing Johnstown during the disaster.

Send 50 cents to the S. Brainard's Sons Company, Chicago, Ill., and you will receive a copy by return mail, or for sale by all prominent music dealers throughout the country.

Handwritten note: need I write that Editor Kurtz is a 100% Reyna. "Dutchman?" - W. X. K. 6-24-1957