

THE CENTRE REPORTER.

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THE RACKET.

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PERSONAL.

—Mr. Will Barr, of Tyrone, spent several days with friends in town.

—Dr. Radcliff, of Philadelphia, is the guest of his uncle, Mr. Shannon Boal.

—George Garver and wife, of Philadelphia, are guests at the home of Mrs. Dinges.

—General D. H. Hastings mingled with the grangers and old vets on Friday at the park.

—Andrew Harter, one of Penn townships most respected farmers, gave our sanctum a call.

—Editor T. H. Harter and wife, of the Middleburg Post, took in the picnic several days last week.

—Mrs. Della Brumgard, of Lock Haven, spent several days with the family of Mr. Harry Kreamer.

—Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Brislin departed on Saturday to attend the G. A. R. encampment at Washington.

—Miss Ula Baskerville departed on Tuesday morning for Chambersburg, where she is attending college.

—Mr. Hudson Love and wife and son, of Pittsburg, spent several days last week with Mrs. Jane Love, on Church street.

—Rev. Robert O'Boyl and two children, of Shenendoa, arrived last week and will spend several days with friends in Centre Hall.

—William Harpster, of Freeport, Ill., is home on a visit to his mother. Will looks fine and we are pleased to learn he is flourishing out there.

—Al Wieland, of Indiana, Pa., is visiting at the home of his father at Linden Hall, and manages to find time to spend with his friends at Centre Hall.

—Miss Grace Jordan, daughter of Mr. William Jordan, formerly of Tusseyville, but now of Ohio, is visiting her grandfather Mr. Daniel Fleisher, at this place.

—Mr. A. J. Bloom, of Lock Haven, was a caller at the REPORTER sanctum last week, and with him was Miss Nellie Troxell, one of Lock Haven's handsomest young ladies.

—Mrs. Kate Summerson and two children, of Hammersleys Fork, Pa., and Mrs. George Walters and three children, of Leidy, Pa. are visiting at the home of Mr. Henry Boozer.

—James Conley, who left this place for the west over a year ago, arrived home last week for a visit. Jim is employed as a passenger brakeman on a railroad running into Chicago, and has a lucrative job.

—The following clipped from the Lewisburg Saturday News is of much interest to our readers, as both parties are well known in Centre Hall: The engagement of Miss Margaret Gast, daughter of Mr. J. D. S. Gast, a wealthy merchant of Mifflinburg; to Mr. Robert Snodgrass, a young man prominent in the financial and social affairs of the same place, is announced.

—Chris Murray departed Monday morning for Princeton, N. J. College, where he will enter the senior class at that institution and graduate in June next. Chris during the past season at times has done work on the REPORTER and contributed to its columns many able articles. His journalistic ability has been recognized to the extent that he has been appointed college correspondent of the New York Sun, a responsible position.

—Professor Chriswell, the newly elected principal of our public schools, arrived in Centre Hall last week to assume the position to which he was elected. Professor Chriswell is a resident of Carleton, N. Y., and in taking charge of the borough schools, comes highly recommended for the position. He is a very agreeable gentleman and will doubtless be successful in his position.

THE LAST DAYS.

THE TWO BIG DAYS OF THE PICNIC.

Thursday and Friday Well Attended, and Large Crowds Present. Friday Veteran's Day.

The REPORTER went to press last Thursday morning and in consequence was unable to chronicle the events of the two big days of the patrons' picnic and exhibition held last week in Grange Park.

The previous days of the picnic were unfavorable and the attendance up to Thursday morning was far below that of former years, owing partly to the unpropitiousness of the weather, which doubtless kept a great many from attending. The weather on Tuesday and Wednesday was anything but agreeable, and in consequence comparatively small crowds were in attendance. The grangers felt blue along with the fakirs and shopmen, who had paid high rates for privileges. Everyone however, looked forward to Thursday for favorable weather and large crowds. The day is always counted the largest of the week and the fakirs expected thereby to crawl from the hole in which they had placed themselves.

The day opened gloomily and cloudy but early in the morning people began coming by private vehicles of which there was a constant stream passing through town, and the trains were heavily loaded, bringing several thousand people to the park. An estimate of the crowd was placed at about twelve thousand.

Exercises were held in the large tent and several addresses were delivered by prominent, who responded to the cause of right of which there were two sides.

The usual number of fakirs were in attendance and kept the park grounds resounding with the cries of their excellent wares, and did a fair business. There were a number of skin games set up on the ground and outside and the gamblers did a big business in fleecing the innocents to the tune of from \$1 to \$100. A wind storm coming up about five o'clock in the afternoon frightened a great many and there was a scramble for trains and vehicles, but it soon blew over, but the crowd had dwindled down to a very small one.

Friday was Veterans day and the weather was fair but inclined to be chilly. The blue coats were plenty and every train brought in a number. The day was the occasion of the annual reunion of the Centre county veteran club. The crowd on Friday numbered possibly about six thousand and was way below what had been expected. Addresses were delivered in the auditorium by ex-Governor Beaver and others and the audience was as large as the tent would permit. The weather continued fair until in the afternoon when a threatened rain storm came up and the crowd began to thin out and depart for their homes, not caring to stand the threatened down pour which seemed imminent, but fortunately passed by.

In the evening very few people except the tenters, remained on the ground.

There were very few exhibits of machinery on the ground, and had it not been for the display made by Huyett, Meyer & Boozer, of Centre Hall, and McCalmont & Co., of Bellefonte, it would have been comparatively nothing. The display each year is diminishing, which we understand is caused by the excessive rates charged by the managers.

The railroad service was under the direct supervision of Superintendent Westfall, who had the running of trains under his personal direction. The dispatchers' office at the park this year was enlarged and the railroad tracks divided from the park by a neat and substantial wire fence. Access could only be had to the trains by gates and the crowds were more easily handled than in former years. Superintendent Westfall remained on the grounds all the week and nightly varied the monotony and unattractiveness of the ground by a pyrotechnic display.

There was much dissatisfaction expressed this year by those in attendance of the disappointments met by them at the picnic, and threats were heard on every hand of this being the last one to be attended. It is true that there is much cause for complaint and it is not from an unbiased mind either. The managers made a pretense this year at catering to the comfort of the visitors, but it was only a drop in a bucket. Several small buildings were erected in which benches were placed, but they were a miserable provision for the weary. The grounds at their best are devoid of attractiveness and of amusement there is none for the visitors beyond staring at each other, but one soon tires of even that. The biggest attraction seems to be the large crowd. The crowd this year, taking it as a whole, was far below that of last year, this can be attributed partly to the bad weather, but next year if no effort is made by the managers towards attractions and amusements, the crowd will be smaller, bad weather or not.

The closing of the entrance in the middle of the ground was also a cause for complaint from the citizens of the town. The entrance had been in use at all former picnics and was the one most desirable, but the managers seemingly did not look at it in that way, and the citizens and others were compelled to find their way through an alley, down a dusty street before they could get on the ground. The closing of the gate was also a source of loss to the borough in revenue from licenses to fakirs, who set up outside the ground, and did not feel able to pay high privileges within. The entrances are inconvenient and out of the way, and the gates most desirable should be opened. The grangers claim that by closing the entrance it has the effect of dividing the crowd more evenly over the ground and that it will not congregate at the main avenue. This to a certain extent is true, but if the picnic managers wish to conduct a successful picnic in the future it is to the public wants they must cater, not to the impressions of their own minds. A portion of the management has right views, but it seems to be troubled with top-heavy.

Another mistake is the advertising of prominent men to be present, such as President Harrison, Hays, Pattison and others, when it is known they will not be present. Always stick to the truth, and don't fool people.

The ground was under police supervision and the order was good throughout the week.

In the borough the order was the best had for years and no arrests were made.

The picnic did not pan out as well as in former years, for the eating stands, ice cream vendors, lodging houses and hotels as in former years. The gambling fakirs and flying jenny did a fair business. The turnout being far smaller than in former years accounts for the sheekels raked in being correspondingly less.

Landlord Bartsch sold just 3000 glasses of beer less last week than during picnic week last year.

The fellow who sold the woggle-woggle on the picnic ground, was trump, and soon the noise of the woggle was heard over the ground. The music it turned out was something like that of a campanecting of hoarse frogs, that slept in a swamp with the bars down and took cold. Every boy invested two cents in a woggle-woggle for his gal and a woggle for himself, and both paraded the camp, a-woggle-woggle-woggling—he waggled and she waggled, the little boys and girls had a woggle and waggled from morn till night.

Already Friday preparations were made for departure by the campers and some left the ground. On Saturday, however the stampede commenced, and the trains and vehicles were fairly loaded down with equipage. Three or four families remained on the grounds over Sunday. On Monday morning began the dismantling of tents and the grounds began to assume their bare and forlorn appearance. They are dirty looking, being almost covered with paper and refuse.

The water supply during the week was good and not once was there a scarcity of mountain dew. Early in the week there was a slight apprehension that the supply would not meet the demand owing to the drought, and both reservoirs were placed in service, one being allowed to fill while the other was attached to the mains. The rain storms however raised all doubts and the supply greatly exceeded the demand.

The officers elected for the ensuing year for the Veterans' club of Centre county, are: President, General Jas. A. Beaver; secretary, John C. Miller; treasurer, ex-Department Commander, Austin Curtin. Addresses were delivered by Colonel Cassidy, of Canton, Ohio; Captain Rhinehart, of Kansas; Professor Hamilton, of the State College, and others.

A Michigan Surprise the Looper.
Mr. Jacob Gephart left the vicinity of Tusseyville some twenty-four years ago for Michigan, and returned to his old stamping ground for the first time only a few days ago. Being of a jolly turn, he played a good many pleasant surprises upon some of his old acquaintances, the Bunkles, Billy Boal and others, before they realized who he was. Mr. Gephart flourished in the west as a farmer, and has returned to the city of St. Joseph. He finds many changes in this section in the past quarter of a century. He gave the REPORTER a pleasant call, having been a constant reader of its pages for twenty-four years.

A Lodging House.
Farmer Joel Kerstetter, on Thursday night last week, on going to his barn about midnight, found some sixty men in it as lodgers, on his straw and hay mow, and barn floor; some were smoking. The condition of his rye straw and the inside of the barn in general, was not at all pleasing to Mr. Kerstetter, and next year he may have his barn doors fastened on the inside, so the rable from the adjoining picnic ground, will find it bothersome to gain admittance.

Tendered a Serenade.
The Rote, Pa., Farmers' Cornet Band favored the REPORTER with a serenade—unfortunately we were absent and missed a good treat. The band has our thanks all the same, for it is good on a blow.

OPENING OF SCHOOLS.

The Public Schools Begin an Eight Month Term.

The public schools opened on Monday morning, 19th inst., with a very good attendance. Prof. Chriswell, of Carleton, N. Y., the newly-elected principal, arrived in Centre Hall a few days previous, and is now installed in his new position. Miss Maggie Hannah is in charge of the primary department, and has a large number of pupils under her charge. Wagner Geiss is instructor in the 2nd grade and has about forty scholars on the roll. The attendance is large already in the three schools with more yet to follow.

The time is not far distant when another school will have to be opened in order to accommodate the increase of scholars, and give them a graded course of instruction. The present building was erected for such and the fourth room is occupied by a secret order.

The World's Fair at Milton.

This year the great Milton Fair will eclipse all former meetings. Revised and enlarged premiums interests the farmer and stockman. Increased purses for speed insure many of the best trotting horses on the turf, and the great exhibition of high jumping, hurdle and running races by a stable of Canadian horses owned by Col. Geo. Pepper, the noted horseman, who took first prize at the American Horse Show at Madison Square Garden, New York, last year, are some of the features. Delightful band concerts, bicycle races, etc. Excursions on all railroads. Sept. 27, 28, 29 and 30.

Our Callers.

The REPORTER had an unusual rush of callers during last week, all of whom we were glad to see, being so many, we find it too large a list for printing. Not a few left the spondoolies where-with we can get up steam to keep the REPORTER a-running for at least another week, as it requires a goodly sum to run a paper like this one; and as we have the rare virtue to pay our honest debts, funds do not linger long in our hands—thanks to those who come with the needful. The REPORTER, the New York Sun and the World, and perhaps one or two others, are the only really original journals from stem to stern—and of them the REPORTER is about the best.

Recovering From the Wound.

It will be agreeable news to the friends of D. R. McClintick in this valley to learn that he is recovering from the effects of a revolver ball fired into his neck by a chicken thief, who resisted arrest. The Tyrone Herald, of last week says, Night Officer D. R. McClintick has at last recovered sufficiently from the effects of his recent tussle with a would-be murderer, to venture out of doors, and he made his first trip down town Thursday. The wound in his neck, where Finn shot him, is still discharging, but Mr. McClintick experiences no further pain and is on the way to complete recovery.

Died of Diphtheria.

Last Sunday morning, Miss Martha Keller, daughter of Colonel D. S. Keller, of Bellefonte, died at the home of a friend in Danville, Pa., whom she had been visiting, of a malignant type of diphtheria. Miss Keller left Bellefonte for Danville about two weeks previous to her death and was taken ill soon after arriving at her destination. She was interred the same day at Danville. Miss Keller was a most attractive young lady and was aged about twenty-one years.

A Five Legged Pig.

Comrade Thomas Lyons living about a mile west of Centre Hall, has a curiosity in the shape of a pig with five legs. The pig is not inconvenienced with this extra appendage and is as lively as any in the lot. The fifth leg is connected with one of the front ones and is somewhat shorter, but is similar in all other respects to a pig's foot, having hoof, joints and all. The pig is about seven months old, and has excited no little curiosity in the vicinity.

Borough Expenses.

The borough expenses during the grangers' picnic for police services were way below that of last year, while the money received by the burgess from licenses granted exceeds last year's amount. The burgess handed over to the treasurer \$78, while the police force was maintained at an expense of about \$30 for the week. The borough is ahead by about \$50.

A New Oil Engine.

Engine No. 1501, a "Hoag" pattern freight engine, fed by oil, passed through Tyrone a few days ago, attached to a heavy freight train. The trip from Altoon to Harrisburg consumed only two barrels of oil, and the engine did its work well. The novel engine has an oil tank in the rear of the regular tender.

—At Mingle's shoe store, Bellefonte, all the latest styles in foot wear are kept in stock and at prices lower than elsewhere.

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MISLEADING NEWS.

A BUNGLING REPORTER OF CENTRE COUNTY EVENTS.

A Reporter in Bellefonte Whose Misleading Dispatches at times Cause no Little Annoyance.

Some one who prepares telegraphic dispatches of Centre county happenings for the Philadelphia papers, either does not seem to understand his business, or has a bungling manner of reporting news from our county which is greatly misleading, as he puts it nearly all as happening at Bellefonte. We have observed this for the past two or three years.

When any thing takes place at State College, the reader is left under the impression that the College is located at Bellefonte, when it is ten or twelve miles distant.

When the granger's picnic takes place a telegraphic report is dated at Bellefonte and reads as though the annual picnic was being held at Bellefonte, instead of stating that it is at Centre Hall, distant twenty miles by rail from Bellefonte. This is almost invariably this "reporter's" manner of putting it. Take last Saturday's Philadelphia Press, and this bungler reports the Veterans' assembly of the day before, as having been held at Bellefonte instead of Centre Hall.

Two years ago this "reporter's" telegrams to the dailies, in placing the grange picnic at Bellefonte, instead of at Centre Hall, misled a gentleman from a western county to purchasing a ticket for Bellefonte for himself and wife to attend the annual picnic, held there, as he supposed on reading the misleading dispatches, and boarding the cars he reached Bellefonte, got off, registered at a hotel, got a room, and after getting fixed, came down stairs, told the clerk he thought he would take a stroll to the picnic, and inquired about the distance. He was informed that there was no picnic going on at Bellefonte, but there was the grangers' picnic at Centre Hall, twenty miles off, and supposed it was the picnic he wanted to reach, but the last train for that day had left for Centre Hall only a few minutes before. The stranger swore, of course, and wanted to know why the papers were made to say the picnic was held at Bellefonte and thus misled strangers. He had to remain at Bellefonte over night.

Another case. When the cyclone struck the eastern end of the county, this model "reporter" in his press dispatches put it as having been "in the outlying districts of Bellefonte." This was out-and-out-lying. Readers of that report, formerly living in Spring and Boggs townships, who had moved out of our county, naturally supposed the "outlying district" meant their former home, because Spring and Boggs are the outlying districts of Bellefonte. Such people became alarmed as to the fate of friends.

The fact was the cyclone did not at all strike these outlying districts of Bellefonte, but did its work in Haines township, the extreme eastern end of the county, twenty-five to thirty miles away from Bellefonte.

Thus in regard to numerous other reports of happenings which have been put as taking place at Bellefonte.

Now why put out such misleading reports—such news is worse than no news, and the "reporter" had better try his hand at something else.

Damages for a Shock.

On October 21st, 1886, Mrs. Sallie McClosky, of Clinton county, now of Emporium, sustained a shock, during the coupling of a passenger train at Coalport, on the Bell's Gap railroad, which resulted in spinal disease, from which she has never recovered.

An action for damages was brought against the railroad in the Clearfield common pleas court and the case tried last week before Judge Krebs. The case was fought hard for two days and the jury brought in a verdict for \$6,035 damages.

Some Calendar Oddities.

The days of the month and week are always the same in March and November, in April and July, and in September and December; that is, if March "comes in" on a Monday, November will be likewise, the same rule applying to the other months named above. In leap year January is with April and July, in other months it is with October. February in leap year is with August, in other years with March and November. The last day of February and the 4th day of July always occur on same day of the week; the same is true of May Day and Christmas.

Missionary Convention.

The thirteenth annual convention of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Central Pennsylvania Synod, was held this week in Rebersburg, beginning on Tuesday, and closing on Thursday. The sessions of the convention were well attended throughout, with a large number of delegates.

—Lewins' stock of spring and summer clothing is unequalled in the county. He has a larger stock than ever to select from and of latest styles and cuts. The prices never were as low.

The Beauties of Autumn.

Fall and frosts are at the door. Soon the foliage of the mountain sides will change into variegated colors, presenting a picture beautiful and grand, nature's immense flower garden, which the pencil of the most gifted artist can not imitate. Many a city denizen would fall into ecstasies of delight, could he free himself from brick walls and take in the fall beauties of our forests and mountain sides when the foliage puts on its garb of every shade of color—a panorama free to the eye of prince and peasant, millionaire and tramp. Verily, country life has charms, and attractions, that city life cannot compare with in its flummery and gewgaws and frivolities.

A Centre county mountain and forest, in the fall of the year, is a charming sight.

Married.

On Thursday, September 15th, at Centre Hall, by Rev. W. E. Fischer, Newton Weaver, of Williamsport, and Louisa Harter, of Rebersburg.

September 20th, at Centre Hall, by Rev. W. E. Fischer, James D. Gentzel of Georges Valley, and Sarah L. Mitterling, of near Tusseyville.

On the 14th inst., by Rev. Dr. Robert Hamill, Mr. Henry H. Houser, of Pleasant Gap, to Miss Rachael E. Miller, of Oak Hall.

Saw the 100.

Saturday Nancy Bargar, of Roland, Centre county, celebrated her 100th birthday. Mrs. Bargar can remember of Washington's death and has a good recollection of every presidential contest since 1801. She was present at the first executions in Centre county, those of "Negro Dan" and the famous "Mouls." Notwithstanding her having reached the centenarian mark she is as spry as most women at fifty, managing her farm and doing the most of her own housework. Her youngest child is 58 years of age.

The Youngest Operator.

Roy, son of Captain John D. McClintock, of this city, is probably the youngest telegraph operator with any degree of efficiency in this section, if not in the country. The lad is only eight years old yet he can receive or transmit any message that comes before him, and with such speed and intelligence as is often found lacking in older ones in both years and experience, who hold responsible positions. Master McClintock is destined to be an expert in telegraphy.—Lock Haven Democrat.

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Wheat.....	60
Rye.....	45
Corn.....	40
Oats new.....	27
Barley.....	40
Buckwheat.....	45

PRODUCE AT STORES.

Butter.....	20
Eggs.....	15
Lard.....	7
Shoulders.....	9
Bacon.....	12
Tallow.....	12
Potatoes.....	30
Sides.....	9

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