

THE NEW RACKET

No. 9-11 Crider's Exchange, Bellefonte.

The attention of the reader is directed to the large ad. of THE RACKET on page four of this issue. Scan it carefully.

G. R. SPIGELMYER, SHEM SPIGELMYER, JR. Bellefonte, Pa.

Christmas - AT - MEYERS'

In making your purchases for the Holidays you should see our fine assortment of

HANDKERCHIEFS,

Beautiful Patterns,

STAMPED LINENS,

In Picture Frames, Centre Pieces, Trays, and Doylies, all new designs.

And for the children we have undoubtedly the

FINEST LINE OF DOLLS IN TOWN.

Also little Beds, Trunks, Dishes and Books.

W. T. MEYER,

Bush Arcade, Two doors from postoffice. Bellefonte.

JUMPED INTO HIS ARMS.

Thrilling Capture of a Deer by a Clinton County Man.

W. D. Workman, of Lock Haven, while driving down Bald Eagle Valley one afternoon last week captured a deer about three miles east of Beech Creek borough. Mr. Workman saw the deer coming through the fields towards him. He stopped his horse and got out of the wagon hurriedly and when the deer leaped over the fence he caught it around the neck. There was a great struggle in which the man and the deer both fought for the mastery. The road was muddy and deer and man rolled over and over until finally Mr. Workman succeeded in getting his knife out of his pocket. He opened the blade with his teeth and then cut the deer's throat. Workman was mud from head to foot but that didn't worry him in the least. The deer weighed 120 pounds.

Came Back Empty.

The different hunting parties from hereabouts came home last Saturday, and their arrival in town was not heralded with a roar of guns, and the display of deer heads hanging from the back end of the wagon box was nil. They were out about two weeks and by the two hunting parties only one deer was seen, but it got away. The boys say they had a good time, and are ready to take a second dose of the fun. The season closed on Tuesday and the much sought for deer will have a rest for a couple months.

How to Prosper.

An exchange says: A town is like a large family. We are interested in each other's welfare, or should be. A cut throat every man for himself policy means ruin for any community. It means retrogression and failure. The first lesson a family must learn is that to be happy and successful there must be unity and mutual assistance. The same applies to the business life of a town and the more generally it is obeyed the more abundant will be the town's prosperity.

Poison Mystery Solved.

The means by which the sixty persons were poisoned at a silver wedding anniversary at the home of A. B. Stewart recently, have just been discovered. The guests were all taken sick after eating chicken salad, the dressing for the salad was prepared in a copper kettle, causing the poisoning.

Fine pure sugar Table Syrups, new crop New Orleans Syrup, Maple Syrup, and Maple Sugar made from pure sap, finest Coffees, Teas and pure Spices.—Sechler & Co., Bellefonte.

SUDDEN DEATH.

Mrs. A. J. Harter Dies at Altoona of Heart Failure.

We learn from the Altoona Tribune that Mrs. Sarah Harter, wife of Prof. A. J. Harter, died suddenly of heart failure, on morning of 10 inst., at her home in that city.

When Mrs. Harter retired she was apparently in her usual excellent health, but about 3.30 that morning her husband was aroused by her heavy breathing. Fearing that something was wrong, he caught her in his arms and raised her up, but she died as he held her thus. Dr. Closson, who was called, found her quite dead.

The deceased was born near Centre Hall 29 years ago, and was a daughter of Joseph Shirk. The bereaved husband is a son of post-master Andrew Harter, of Coburn. She was a niece of Mrs. D. B. Brisbin next door to the Reporter office. Six years ago she was married to Prof. A. J. Harter, who, with two children, May and James, aged respectively 5 and 2 years, yet survives. Five sisters are yet living: Mrs. Clayton Fetterhoff, of Warriors-mark; Mrs. Maud Bible and Miss Lizzie, of Potter's Mills; Mrs. Ella Gentzel and Miss Lamar, of Linden Hall. The deceased was a member of the First Lutheran church in Altoona. The remains were interred at Millheim on Saturday last.

Big Hogs.

William Bible, up near Linden Hall killed a porker that dressed 476 lbs. Mrs. Flora Barefoot, of this place, killed two porkers, combined weight being 804 pounds, dressed.

That wasn't a slow butchering at Joshua Potter's, two miles of here the other day, when nine hogs did their last squeal before being transmogrified into ham, sausages and lard. With such a stack of pork-fruit, accompanied by buckwheat cakes, there will be no starvation at Josh's before the next blossoms appear.

L. E. Rossman, Penn Hall, killed a porker dressing 510.

Don't Want to be a P. M.

Our esteemed Republican friend, T. M. Gramley, of Spring Mills, sends us a note expressing his esteem for the Reporter, but earnestly protesting against being made ridiculous by having his name printed as an applicant for post-master of that town, when he does not want the office and is not a "greedy office seeker"—instead of nine there being only four applicants so far as he knew. We gladly give Tite the benefit of this correction. The names as printed were reported from various sources and were given as news. Tite's creamery turns out good butter and he would turn out a good P. M. too.

Met with Success.

Mr. F. W. Spicer, a very pleasant gentleman, of the circulation department of the Philadelphia "Public Ledger," gave us a call, while here looking up the interests of that great journal. The Ledger is conservative, accurate and truthful at all times, and stands second to no city daily anywhere. Mr. Spicer met with success among the business people in this town. A two month's subscription to the daily entitles the subscriber to a large map of the state and United States, showing counties, railroads and post-offices.

Mileage of State Railroads.

A section of the forthcoming report of the State Bureau of Railways shows the total mileage of railroads in this State to be 9716.89, an increase of 292 1/2 for the year. The railway mileage of Pennsylvania is 5.2 per cent. of the entire mileage of the country. The increase in mileage since 1892 has been comparatively trifling.

A Horrible Accident.

Wm. Ginthin, aged 16 years and employed at Miller's saw mill, near Newton Hamilton, was almost instantly killed on Monday. His foot caught in the circular saw while he was stooping for a board and his right foot and left leg were cut off and his back split open from the pelvis to the neck. He lived about 20 minutes.

Teachers' Institute.

Next Monday morning, 21st, the teachers' institute convenes in session in the court house in Bellefonte. County Superintendent Gramley has secured a good corps of instructors, and his attractions for the evening entertainments will be first-class.

Death at Bellefonte.

Daniel McGinley, one of Bellefonte's oldest citizens, died on Monday evening from dropsy, after a long illness. He was aged over 81 years, and leaves a wife and ten children to survive him.

Will Meet in Evangelical Church.

The Society of Christian Endeavor will hold their meeting in the basement of the Evangelical church on Sunday evening.

A pair of skates would be the right thing for a Christmas present for the boys; we have them in blue steel at 50 cents, nickel plate, 85c., at Bushman's, the Jeweler.

Breaks Up Colds.—Dr. Humphrey's Specific "77" "breaks up" colds that "hang on" and prevents Pneumonia; price 25c. at all druggists.

A FAMILY REUNION.

In Orangeville, Ill., at John Fryberger's a Native of Centre County.

From the Freeport Bulletin we learn that a pleasant family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Fryberger in honor of his 84 birthday. The children and grandchildren came to offer their congratulations to this venerable and esteemed couple.

John Fryberger was born in Haines township, Centre county, Pa., eighty-four years ago. His parents were Daniel and Catharine (From) Fryberger. His father was a farmer and spent his early life in tilling the soil of his home in the mountains of Haines twp. He was but seven years old when his father died leaving his mother and five children. He attended school down there and learned the tailor trade.

Mrs. Fryberger's maiden name was Miss Mary Elizabeth Ault. She was born in Centre county, Pa., Oct. 17, eighty-one years ago. In 1837 they were united in marriage by Rev. Peter S. Fisher. In the year 1841 they went west, making the trip by wagon and boat. Their first location was at Cedarville on a farm of 160 acres which they purchased. Their house was without windows. Not long after they moved to a farm near Orangeville, and resided there twenty years.

They have ten children, three sons and seven daughters. How many of the Reporter's readers in the east end of this valley can recall the Frybergers?

R.R. Puffs at Pinegrove.

The 8 mile extension of the Bellefonte Central railroad, from State college to Pinegrove, was completed on Tuesday, and next Monday the regular freight and passenger traffic will be opened to that place.

We congratulate the Pinegroves and rejoice with them over their good fortune, and that their standing desire of 30 years is gratified.

We need one more railroad now, and that is thro Brushvalley, and every section of our county will be well served. A spur from Coburn into that section would be comparatively inexpensive and a trolly cheaper yet.

Many Murders But None Hanged.

Nineteen-year-old Melvin St. Clair was acquitted of the alleged murder of William Catherman, of Mazeppa, Pa., which occurred at Milton, on August 27. The trial was had at Sunbury, last week. The jury was out over 16 hours. The acquittal of St. Clair was a big surprise to the people residing in the vicinity where the crime was committed, who expected St. Clair to be at least convicted of involuntary manslaughter. During the past ten years there have been nearly 70 murders committed in Northumberland, and not a single hanging has resulted.

Had a Good House.

Rev. J. H. Erdman, pastor of the Evangelical church, preached his first sermon in Centre Hall last Saturday evening. He has resided here in the parsonage since last spring, and this sermon was the first since he was appointed to this charge. The house was well filled, quite a number from out of town being present.

Holiday Notice.

While all are looking around for Christmas gifts, to make and to take, there is nothing that will prove more acceptable to the Reporter than to find its friends sending in dues on subscription before the close of the holidays, which is a reasonable request that all can respond to.

Christmas Services.

The Reformed Sunday school are preparing a delightful Christmas service which will be held on Christmas evening, Friday, Dec. 25. A cordial invitation is given; all are welcome. The service in Reformed church at Spring Mills will be held on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 27th.

His Leg Amputated.

Joseph Thompson, the young man injured recently by jumping on a moving train near Bellefonte, in order that his life might be saved, submitted Sunday to the amputation of his leg, which was taken off close up to the thigh.

A New Industry.

Salona is to have a new industry. Claire Kessinger and Robert Fulton are now erecting a building for a skunkery. They will stock the building with a number of skunks, which animals they will receive from New York, and will raise them for their furs.

Make the Most of Leap Year.

The girls should make the most of their leap year privilege for the rest of the month. Another leap year does not come again until 1904.

Foster's Sale of Stock and Implements. Public Sale, on Saturday, 19 Dec, I will sell all my blooded milch cows, and all my farm impliments, and horses, at State College.

R. M. FOSTER.

Fine Raisins, Prunes, Peaches, Apricots, Figs, Dates, Orange, Lemon Peel and Citron, fine Confectionery, Clear Toys, and a full line of holiday supplies.—Sechler & Co., Bellefonte.

PASTOR'S SILVER JUBILEE.

Rev. L. Kryder Evans Celebrates His 25th Year at Pottstown.

Rev. L. Kryder Evans delivered the twenty-fifth anniversary sermon of his pastorate at Trinity Reformed Church, of Pottstown, last Sunday. Anniversary exercises were held every evening this week. On Thursday evening Hon. Aaron S. Swartz, of Norristown, delivered an address, and on Friday evening Hon. George F. Baer, of Reading, will speak. During his twenty-five years' pastorate Rev. Evans preached 2619 sermons in Trinity Church and 248 in the mission churches of St. Paul's, of Stowe, Bechtelsville, Amity and Birdsboro. His record also includes the following: Infants baptized, 1595; adults, 122; received members by confirmation, 926; by letter, 379; dismissals, 158; marriages, 555; attended and officiated at funerals in Trinity Church, 1088; at other places 63.

Mr. Evans was born at Spring Mills, this county. He received his theological education at Mercersburg, Pa., and studied two years at Heidelberg University, Germany. His first call was to Williamsport, where he preached for four years. He came to Pottstown in 1871, and entered upon his present charge. He is an eloquent pulpit orator, a faithful pastor and a popular citizen. Trinity congregation is one of the most flourishing in Pottstown, with a large membership and splendid church structure.

Oh Dear! No Deer.

The Pleasant Gap hunting party, passed this office at noon, Saturday, from a deer hunt in the 7 mountains; but, oh dear, had no deer.

Half an hour later, the Centre Hall hunters, Glace, Krape and McClennan, also passed, but, oh dear, nary a deer.

The Bradford hunting party came back from the Stone creek grounds, but, no deer, oh dear!

The Gentzel hunting party got back from the Green-woods and had gorix. Oh dear! no deer! and Tom Harter along too.

Surprise Party at Oak Hall.

On Friday, Dec. 11, Mr. Jacob Klinger, of Oak Hall, was fifty-nine years old and his friends and family made up their minds to give him a surprise in the way of a birth-day party. During the day Mr. Roop having business in the country invited Mr. Klinger to accompany him in order that the family could have a chance to make the preparations for the party.

It was a very enjoyable affair. An elegant supper was served to the guests who numbered sixty-nine.

Mr. Klinger was the recipient of many valuable presents, and will long remember this day with pleasure. All present had a good time and wished him many happy returns of the day.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses have been granted the past week: C. L. Grimm, Modisburg, and Mennie J. Coates, Tyrone.

Samuel Fisher, Patton, and Sophia Doerr, Philipsburg.

H. C. C. Kauffman, and Helen Test, Philipsburg.

Israel Raehau, Madisonburg, and Sarah Bartholomew, Mackeyville.

Winfield P. Meeker, Burnside twp., and Laura Hoover, Kylesport, Pa.

I. M. Luse, Centre Hall, and E. D. Carter, Coburn.

P. H. Luse, Centre Hall, and Esta G. Spayd, Bellevue, O.

Roland Zettle, and Cora Condo, Spring Mills.

Joseph Johnson, Ferguson, and Effie L. Markle, Bellwood.

W. R. Gardner, and Gertrude Benison, Howard.

Bernard Shannon, and Margaret Oswald, Sandy Ridge.

A Shooting Accident.

The other day the sons of W. I. McCoy and A. I. McCoy, who live near Hagerty's cross roads, Clearfield county, were in company with each other at the former's home examining a gun which was loaded when the gun was discharged and the former boy killed. It seems that they were in the house alone when the boy who was killed, placed the muzzle of the gun at his mouth and blew into it to see if air could be forced through the barrel out through the tube, when the gun was accidentally discharged into the boy's head, killing him instantly. Neither boy knew the gun was loaded. They were both about 15 years of age.

Another Prophecy for Winter.

Prophet Hicks gives the following dismal prediction for the winter: "The winter of 1896-'97 will be very long and cold, with much snow in all localities where snow is a factor. Blizzards will be numerous, railroads will be blockaded, all to be followed by much rain and high water most of the year. Do not be in haste to get in spring crops; plant large and late varieties of corn, provide good shelter for self and stock, and do not forget the suffering hungry and poor of our land."

If you want the finest Olives, Olive Oil, Flavoring Extracts, Sardines, Pickles, Ketchups, Sauces, Macaroni, Gelatine, Mustards, and Salad Dressings, come to us for them.—Sechler & Co., Bellefonte.

A SHOE STORE!

"Of the people, by the people, for the people," that's the kind of an establishment this is. Conducted in your interests, supported by your unwavering patronage and intended for your betterment, this store has been a phenomenal success from its inception, and it is growing bigger and better day by day.

Christmas Goods.

It is impossible to find anything in our stock that would not make an acceptable gift—that boy needs a pair of boots or dress shoes, the daughter a pair dress boots or school shoes, the wife a pair warm leggins or overgaiters, the mother a pair of warm shoes, the father or brother a pair of slippers, etc.

Can you think of anything more economical, more acceptable or more suitable these finishing times for the presents you are looking for.

MINGLE'S SHOE STORE, BELLEFONTE, PA.

PROCLAMATION.

Frigid Zone, Dec. 6, 1896. I, the original and only SANTA CLAUS, God-Father of the Little Chaps, hereby make proclamation:

I have appointed Mr. Edwin F. Garmann, of 32 Allegheny St., Bellefonte, Pa., as my special agent in your city to sell all the Skates, Dolls, Toys, Games, etc., which I have been gathering for you for the past twelve months. I have also ordered and commanded Garmann to make known to you that I will be with you early Christmas morning, dressed in my best and richest clothes, and will give to all good children those nice Christmas candies and presents which I have so carefully put up; so you will surely find me. I want you all to be good. Remember, I am the original old Santa Claus; I will come down all the way from the North Pole in my special sleigh, drawn by my pet reindeer.

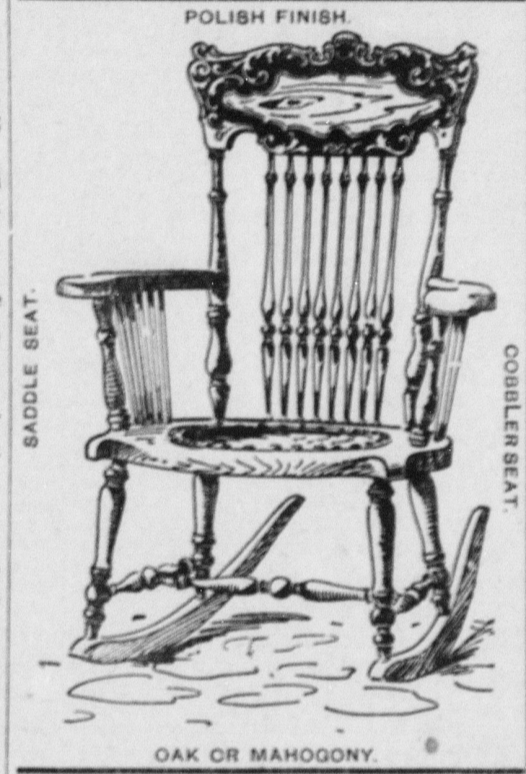
Given on the 6th day of December, in the 1896th year of my glorious reign in the Frigid Zone.

Santa Claus.

GARMAN'S STORE, His Agts., Bellefonte.

HOLIDAY BARGAINS

At W. R. Brachbill's Furniture Store.



This Chair

ONLY \$2.99.

Regular price, \$4.25.

A USEFUL X-MAS PRESENT.

100 FINE PARLOR TABLES

Antique Oak or Mahogany, Polish Finish, size of top, 24x24. Our price, \$1.29. Regular price, \$3.00.

W. R. BRACHBILL, BELLEFONTE.

THE GLOBE.

Dry Goods, Clothing and Millinery.

THE GREATEST OF ALL HOLIDAY BAZAARS.

Santa Claus in all his splendor, is here to greet you. Quantity, Quality and Price all blend making "The Globe" the Headquarters for the largest assortment, the best and cheapest

Line of Holiday Goods

Ever brought to Bellefonte, comprising all sorts of Toys and Games for the little ones, and useful and ornamental presents for the older class.

Silverware.

Rogers' Triple Plated Sugar Spoons, each, 25c. Rogers' Triple Plated Butter Knives, each, 25c. Rogers' Triple Plated Table Spoons, per set, \$1.75. Rogers' Triple Plated Tea Spoons, per set, \$1.00. Rogers' Triple Plated Knives and Forks, per set, \$3.00.

Special Drive in Dress Goods

During Christmas Week. All Wool French Serge. In all colors and black, a firm, smooth weave and elegantly finished, strictly all wool and a big snap for you for 25 cents.

Black Mohair. A new invoice of three pieces, 46 in. wide. You will find the same fabric sold elsewhere at 90c and \$1.25 a yard. Special price for this week, 57c.

Another Whirl at Storm Serge. 54 in. wide, in all the staple shades, heavy weight and a regular \$1.00 quality for 60c.

Broad Cloths. 54 in. wide, in all colors, other stores ask you 75c for the same goods, 45c.

36 in. Wide Serge. A special offering of 20 pieces in Heavy Twilled Serge, any color you may desire, would be cheap at 30c, special price, 17c.

Special Handkerchief Drive.

2500 Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, would be cheap elsewhere at 25 cents a piece, your choice from now until the Holidays, at 2 for 25 cents.

Kid Gloves.

275 pairs Kid Gloves in all colors and black, sold all over Bellefonte at \$1 per pair, a present that every lady would like to receive, Per pair, 69c

Don't Forget to Inspect Our Line of Ornamental Presents when in Bellefonte. It may be the Means of Your Saving Money.

KATZ & CO., LIMITED. Bellefonte, Pa.

"Makers of Low prices and terrors to All Competitors."