

THE RACKET.

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

Established Jan. 1, 1889, by G. R. Spigelmyer.

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The Racket Is Itself Again! And the march of improvement begins.

For This Week... Big change in Shoe Department. Balcony removed, better light, new stock.

New Goods by the Car-Load and everything under regular price.

If U buy goods in Bellefonte, in justice to Urself, U will look through The Big Department Store before making Ur purchases.

G. R. Spigelmyer.

The Maine

was blown up in Cuban waters by treacherous Spaniards and now will no more sail the mighty Main. But

The Main Store....

in town is still here and ready for war—on prices. We will make some of our stock walk SPANISH if we have to give it away.

Wolf & Crawford.

Of Interest to Supervisors. A case tried in the Allegheny county courts recently will be of interest to all supervisors. James Colgan, supervisor of Harrison township, had used his own teams to work on the roads to the amount of \$925. An appeal was taken from the auditor's report allowing this bill, and Judge White in deciding the case said: "I do not doubt in a case of absolute necessity a supervisor might use his own teams. That would be in case of sudden emergency, when it was impossible to procure any other team, but even in such a case he might have to rely upon the generous forbearance of the taxpayers. The supervisor is the legal representative of the township in repairing and keeping the public roads. He collects the taxes and expends the money. He cannot be buyer and seller at the same time. He cannot contract with himself. A sense of propriety, of fair, honest dealing and of the manifest danger of abuse, forbids it, and the law declares it against public policy." He sustained the appeal and disallowed the claim of the supervisor.

"The Post Leads as Usual." It is a matter of general comment that the Pittsburg Post leads all its contemporaries in the printing of the news, and it has maintained its reputation in the past few weeks while the war clouds were gathering. The Post not only publishes the best and most accurate reports, but gives them in the most logical and attractive style.

In this respect as in all others, the Post took the lead. Envious competitors have ridiculed the Post for its up-to-date and original makeup, but one by one they are dropping into the procession and imitating the Post in typographical appearance. The Post is glad to see this, and will endeavor to set a lively pace, as it always has done.

Not only has the Pittsburg Post led in the publication of domestic news, but it has all the news sources of Europe guarded by watchful, trained correspondents. The result is apparent. Keep your eye on the Post when war breaks out. It will continue to the high standard already set up. All the news all the time, carefully edited and attractively printed. Ask your newsdealer for the daily Post, or subscribe for it by mail, \$3.00 per year; with 28-page Sunday issue, \$5.00. Address "The Post," Pittsburg, Pa. Circulation Department.

The County Commissioners having refused to pay bounties on scalps of foxes, etc., until the court decides the constitutionality of the act, parties have brought suit against them before Justice Keichline, which were heard on Saturday.

The subscribers will have the service of the Bellefonte and State College exchanges. For the Millheim district a toll of ten cents will be charged.

Burglar Shot at Lewisburg. Early last Saturday morning four burglars did some work in Lewisburg, tampering with the safe in the Penn'a freight depot, also with the boat-yard and Buffalo Mills safes. They then forced an entrance to the residence of Mr. Donehower, who heard the noise caused by their entrance. With a revolver he proceeded into the hall where he spied a man and fired two shots at him, one ball taking effect in the burglar's knee, and another ball entered the other knee. The fellow was unable to make his escape and it is supposed the leg with the injured knee will have to be amputated.

The three companions of the wounded burglar got away unharmed. It is thought the fellows belonged to a lot of tramps harboring in the idle nail works buildings.

Drowned at Bellefonte. A son of Calvin Brachbill, dec'd, of Bellefonte, Stanley, aged 9 years, was found drowned in the race this morning. Last evening the lad carried the supper for his brother working at Kridder's planing mill. After playing around a few hours, Stanley returned home but went away again. Not having made his appearance at 10 in the evening, search was made all night for the boy and this morning his body was found in the race near Gerberick's mill.

Improvements. Samuel Shoop has the frame work up for his new house and expects soon to have it under roof. John Martz is pushing his new dwelling right along, and is soon ready for the masons to put up the foundation. S. W. Smith's new barn on Hoffer street will be a massive affair. Aaron Thomas is boss carpenter, and one of these days there will be an old style barn raising in that part of town.

Died in Kansas. M. B. Bierly was born near Rebersburg, May 10, 1814. In November, 1843, he married Sarah Emerick, who with a family of nine children, except one who was killed by accident, survive him. They were all at his bedside during the three weeks of his sickness. In 1870 he moved to Central City, Kas., settled on a farm, where he died March 23, 1895.

Pushing it Along. The grangers have a number of masons at work on the foundation for their new hall out at the upper end of town. The brick for the building are on the ground now. It will take about sixty thousand brick for the building. While the fine weather continues the work will be pushed along as rapidly as possible.

Quite a Surprise. On Tuesday evening about fifty friends and neighbors gathered at the hospitable home of Malan than Musser, it being the birthday of Mrs. Musser, and spent a very pleasant evening together. Mrs. Musser was greatly surprised. Refreshments were served in abundance. Everybody went home happy; hope we will have more of these kind of gatherings in the future.

Commands a Better Price. A horse trained to walk fast, whether he be for the saddle, single harness or team, always commands a better price than one equally good in other respects, but a slow walker.

Celebrated the Event. The veterans of this county celebrated Appomattox day with a public meeting at Bellefonte, addressed by Dr. G. W. Atherton, ex-Judge A. O. Furst, D. F. Fortney, Esq., and others.

Elected City Clerk. Oscar D. Emerick, a brother of Dr. Emerick of this place, was last week elected clerk of the city of Freeport, Ill., by over 800 majority. The Reporter congratulates Oscar.

Coming Storm Waves. My last bulletin gave forecasts of the storm wave to cross the continent from the 16th to 20th, and the next will reach the Pacific coast about the 21st, cross the west of Rockies country by close of 22nd, great central valleys 23d to 25th, eastern states 26th.

A warm wave will cross the west of Rockies country about 21st, great central valleys 23d, eastern states 25th. A cool wave will cross the west of Rockies country about 24th, great central valleys 26th, eastern states 28th. Temperature of the week ending April 23 will average below normal in the southern and above in the northern states.

Rainfall for the same period will be generally deficient in the great central valleys and in all parts of North America that lie near sea level. In all mountainous, plateau and elevated districts rainfall for this period, April 17 to 23, will be from about to above normal.

The arid countries of the United States will now begin to show signs of abundant rains and good crops, and parts of the upper Mississippi, lower Missouri and the Ohio valleys will show signs of a coming drought which will extend eastward into the New England states.

An April Fool Trick. The best April fool trick that we have heard of, was perpetrated on one of our business men, says the Millheim Journal. A young boy took a penny and quartered it. He went into a store and asked for a quarter's worth of candy. The merchant said to the boy, "Do you want 25 cents worth?" "No," said the boy, "I want a quarter's worth." The candy was weighed out, and handed to the boy, and he laid down one of the quarters he had cut out of the penny and left the store remarking, "April fool!" He then divided the candy among his playmates. That boy will make his mark if he lives.

Fire at Bellefonte. The large and well equipped gymnasium connected with the Young Men's Christian Association, and situated near the court house, at Bellefonte, caught fire about 10 o'clock on Saturday night, from a defective flue, and was burned to the ground with all its contents. Loss is \$1500 with \$600 insurance.

A public meeting was in progress in the court house, and a panic ensued. Only through the presence of mind of the presiding officer, President George W. Atherton, of State College, was quiet restored and a catastrophe averted.

West Point Cadet. A competitive examination, to select a candidate for West Point and also one for Naval Academy at Annapolis, will be held in Du Bois, Pa., on April 30th, 1898, at 10 a. m. No one should apply who is not a bona-fide resident of the Twenty-eighth Congressional District of Penna. All applicants will please report at my office in Du Bois, Pa., at 9 a. m. on the 30th inst. W. C. ARNOLD, M. C.

The Fruit Condition. Last week's freezing weather, it was feared, had done up the peach crop, as well as some harm to other fruit. We have made inquiry of persons from different parts of our county, and it is supposed the harm done to peaches was not great, while other kinds of fruit suffered very little. It having been a "dry freeze" is the reason given for the little harm done.

Turpentine Vacated. Judge McClure confirmed the report of the viewers in recommending abandonment of that portion of the turpentine between Millburg and Hartleton, and awarding \$250 damages. An appeal will be made, says the Lewisburg Journal.

Joined the Navy. Harry McCaleb, son of the well-known blind man, Joseph McCaleb, of Nittany, hearing that men were wanted in the navy department at Philadelphia, went to that city, made application and was the only one accepted out of 350 applicants.

Died at Philipsburg. Wm. A. Faulkner, father of ex-judge C. A. Faulkner, died Sunday evening at 6.30, at the residence of his son at Philipsburg. He was 87 years old and death resulted from neuralgia of the heart.

Want Water Works. The council of the borough of Mill Hall met Wednesday evening in special session for the purpose of considering the question of water works.

A Big Run. During the month of March there were 3,649 trains passed Lewistown on the Pennsylvania railroad. Counting forty cars as an average train, this shows a grand total of 145,960 cars over the middle division during the month.

It is a great leap from the old fashioned doses of blue-mass and nauseous physics to the pleasant little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers. They cure constipation, sick headache and biliousness; for sale by Smith & Crawford.

PULLED OVER LAMP. Dreadful Accident Which Burned Father and Child. On Sunday night a serious accident took place at the home of Harry Wagner, near Bellefonte. Mr. and Mrs. Wagner were sitting at the parlor table reading when their child, only fifteen months old, crept unnoticed to the table and began playing with the tassels at the end of the table cover. The child gave a jerk and down came the lamp and contents on top of the little fellow.

The lamp broke and the oil ran all over the child, enveloping it in flames. In trying to smother the fire the clothing of Mr. Wagner was ignited and only the timely aid of neighbors saved him from a frightful death and the house from destruction. The result was that the child's arms, face and chest are burned almost to a crisp. Mr. Wagner was also terribly burned about the hands and face, and the carpet and furniture in the room were badly damaged.

A Slump in the Market. There may be a slump in the market on horse collars, as some people are driving horses without collars, says the Millheim Journal. Not more than seventy-five miles from Millheim two interesting young ladies, in the absence of a man, hitched up a horse to a buggy, and forgot to put a collar on the horse, but merely buckled the harness around the neck of the horse, and thus drove to Coburn to meet a lady friend coming from a distance. Their attention was called to the matter by one of the horrid men at Coburn. The averdepois not being so great the poor horse did not suffer much inconvenience.

Pastor Resigned. The following item clipped from the Mechanicsburg Daily, will be of interest to the many friends of Rev. Foster, he having served as pastor of the Centre Hall Presbyterian church several years ago:

Rev. W. K. Foster has resigned as pastor of the Presbyterian church here and has accepted a call from the Presbyterian church at Watsontown, Northumberland county. The town and the Presbyterian church sustains a great loss in the going from our midst this energetic, able and affable minister, and there is universal regret. During the years of his labors in the field of his Lord and Master here, Rev. Foster has endeared himself not only to the immediate membership of his own church but to all our people. He was ever ready to respond to any call and many dying couches have been smoothed by his gentle, christian ministrations. In the departure of Rev. Foster we lose a good man and Watson town gains a good man.

War Scare in the Coal Region. A Shumokin dispatch says: Nearly one hundred miners of this place and Mount Carmel left on Monday for New York to sail for their native places in the old world, to escape being impressed into the United States army should this country go to war with Spain. During the past month 300 non-English speaking miners have left the Northumberland, Schuylkill and Hazelton regions. Most of them sailed for Europe, saying they do not want to go into the army, and that even if war does not occur work at the mines is too poor. Miners who have become citizens by adoption say they will fight for the stars and stripes if their services are required. They are, generally, well drilled, having seen service in various European armies.

The Peaches not Killed. Peach growers from Nittany valley state that the peach crop was not injured in the least by the recent cold weather. A gentleman who drove through a part of Centre county says that wherever he went the peach crop is reported to be all right and a good crop is assured unless something occurs later to injure them.

Sold His Home. Clem Luse sold his last new home to Ollie Mader and is located on another lot where he has erected a small building large enough to hold his family until he can erect a new one later on. Clem's houses always meet with favor, for it is the second sale he has made inside of a year.

Millinery Opening. Mrs. Lucy Henney is now in the city purchasing another large stock of hats, bonnets and trimmings for her millinery store. The millinery opening will be on Friday and Saturday, 15th and 16th, on which days all the ladies are invited to call and inspect the new spring and summer styles.

Chinese Pheasants. The Nittany Valley Rod and Gun club has ordered some Chinese pheasants for the stocking of its preserve at Hecla park. If these birds prove to be as prolific as they have been in Oregon, in a few years hence there will be good pheasant shooting in all parts of the county.

Call and See Our Goods. Don't fail to come and see our new stock. We are getting new goods in every week. Call and see our Doileys, Flosses, Laces and Mousselines at the Dinges & Christine Millinery Store.

THE Star Store. Established 1889.

G. O. Benner, Proprietor. Our Terms—Cash before delivery. Above you notice our terms, and we are proud of them and mean to stay by them. This is for your good as well as ours. We must bear the tringle of the coin as the goods pass over the counter. But just stop and think. Are we asking anything unfair? Your answer, if rightly considered, is NO. Do you want to pay for other people's goods? You answer, NO. Then buy of cash concerns. Understand, we give no premiums, such as pictures, glassware, etc., as all intelligent customers know they pay well for this red tape. We quote you a few, but understand that every article in our store is a bargain, and we can prove it too.

- Best N. Y. Cream Cheese, fancy, per lb..... 12c
Fancy Cal. Evap. Peaches, per lb..... 5c
Banner Lye, regular price 2-for 25c, ours..... 10c
Salt Fish, 10 lb. bucket, No. 1..... 50c
Wire Nails, per lb..... 25c
Wash Boiler, copper bottom, iron handles, cover..... 90c
Ansonia Alarm Clock, guaranteed..... 75c
Ladies' Dress Shoe, patent leather tip..... \$1.15
Men's Dress Shoe very nobly..... 1.15
Baby shoes, tan color..... 25c
Ladies' Storm Rubbers..... 32c
Boys' 2 piece suits, new and pretty..... 1.15
Men's Dress Suits, new and pretty..... 25c

Come and inspect our stock before buying. Don't pay 10c for an article when you can buy the same thing for 5c.

THE STAR.

For a short time only—2-year-old Rose Bushes, 10c. each—worth five times that amount. Gladiolus, Tuberoses,—bulbs 1c. each. Cannas—5c. each. Caladiums, or Elephant Ears, 10c each. Organdies, Dimities, Ginghams, —in a great assortment. Mattings, Rugs and Art Squares —a few choice patterns in Ingrain Carpets. Initial Writing Papers—all the latest in that line. Have you a wedding present to buy? This is the place to get it. Roman Stripes and all the new fads in Linings. Belts, Neck Ribbons, Shirt Waists Sets, Collars, Cuffs, etc. GARMAN'S STORE, BELLEFONTE, PA.

We Lead, Others Follow. Here We Are Again. A Solid Oak Chamber Suit, large Bevel Mirror, Double Tops, (on Bureau and Washstand), regular price, \$18.00, OUR PRICE, \$12.75. Ask to see our large Antique Arm Rocker, (iron rods through arms), \$1.50. PRICES NEVER SO LOW IN FURNITURE! W. R. BRACHBILL, Phone 1302, Bellefonte, Pa.

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