

THE RACKET.

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

RACKET STORE NEWS

Having leased the room lately occupied by Shaffer & Son, the carpenters will soon be at work cutting through the partition. This will add at least 2000 square feet floor space to The Racket. Some important changes in the business are in contemplation, which for want of a better word I will call "a revolution." In order to get ready for this, I will start a

REVOLUTION SALE!

Commencing Saturday, Jan. 7, to continue to Tuesday, Jan. 31, inclusive, and not an hour longer. Please notice dates.

This sale will rival the great Dissolution Sale of last year and will follow the same lines. Almost the entire stock is new, having been put in during past year.

U know we always do exactly as we advertise. I am willing to lose money to gain a point U understand.

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G. R. Spigelmyer.

**D**URING the next few weeks you will find unusual reductions in many prices. It will be profitable for you to visit us.

Wolf & Crawford.

A Cuban War Relic.

The Phillipsburg Ledger says a letter from Manuel Casanova, recently gone to Cuba, tells an interesting story of a flag that was made in Phillipsburg and went through the late Cuban war. Several years ago, when there was intense excitement over the Cuban question, Miss Jennie Cross, a clerk in Gray's department store, made two handsome Cuban flags, one of which was given to Mr. Manuel Govine, a brother-in-law of Mr. Casanova. By him it was taken to Cuba, and saw active service all through the late war. When Brigadier General Cardeas, who had charge of the Cuban forces at Havana Province, entered Guanabacoa this Phillipsburg made flag was raised along with Old Glory on the government headquarters. The flag, bullet scarred and battle stained, will be kept by the Fifth Cuban army corps as a trophy of the war.

Revenue Law Requires New Leases From Landlords.

The war revenue act will compel every landlord to make out new leases for the renting season, commencing April next.

Under the war revenue act a revenue stamp of 25 cents on every lease is required, if the lease is for one year or less; 50 cents for a period of time exceeding one year and not exceeding three years, and \$1 for a period exceeding three years. No holdover lease, whether made before or since July 1, 1898, will be good in law, unless stamped as required by this act. An existing lease can no doubt be renewed by a memorandum in writing entered thereon, and the requisite revenue stamp affixed. It is conceived that the safest way for every landlord is to make new leases for the renting season, commencing April 1 next, and stamp such leases according to law.

Were Misinformed.

We stated, last week, that the Boalsburg enterprise for a needed water plant had fallen through for fear that envious spirits might later on seek to destroy the investment. An informant from that town says they do not have that kind of people in Boalsburg and that the work on the water plant is progressing. Glad to note it.

SUDDEN DEATH OF D. T. WEILAND.

Expires While Conversing With His Son at Linden Hall.

Mr. Daniel T. Weiland, one of Harris township's most respected and influential citizens, died last Thursday while conversing with his son Frank, at the latter's grain house, Linden Hall, aged 66 years, 6 months and 11 days.

Mr. Weiland's death was sudden and without warning. He had sold some cattle to a dealer and was watching them being weighed on the scales at the grain house. While talking to his son Frank he sank to the ground, and almost instantly expired. Death was attributed to heart disease, an affection to which Mr. Weiland had been subject for several years. For a number of years his physical condition had been frail, notably the last ten years, when at times he was quite ill from heart trouble.

Mr. Weiland was one of twelve children among whom are Mrs. D. Hess, Mrs. Z. Windsor, Mrs. Sarah Scheffer, Benjamin Weiland, the former living at Linden Hall, the others for many years residents of the west. He was born on the old homestead where he resided, the third generation of the same name, and is survived by his widow and fourteen children, this being the first death to have occurred in the immediate family.

Time was given before burial, insuring the arrival of the sons and daughters living in other parts, and all were present except Wm. C., who was thirty miles from telegraph station, in Nebraska, and could not be reached. The children surviving him and those present were E. K. Weiland and wife, and D. T. Weiland, Jr., of Pueblo, Colo.; Samuel Weiland, Heilman, Heilman Dale, Pa.; A. P. Weiland and wife, Syracuse, N. Y.; Mrs. Oscar Rishell, John M. and Calvin N., of Boalsburg; F. E., of Linden Hall, and those yet remaining at home are Gertrude, Winifred, Lizzie, Clyde and Scott.

The services were conducted by Rev. Black, of the Reformed church, in which the deceased was for many years an elder, assisted by Rev. Leshner, of the Lutheran church and Rev. Hepler, of the Presbyterian.

The esteem in which the deceased was held was attested by the large assemblage coming out to pay a last tribute to his memory.

An unusual earthly farewell paid was that especially noted in the nine sons present being active bearers.

No one in his community was held in higher esteem, none more sought for counsel or advice; any favor when possible, was none too large to grant. His purpose and aim was to make this world the better for having lived in it. That feeling of fidelity, wholesome frankness, his honesty of purpose was so manifest in his dealings, that he was looked upon as an exemplary citizen, worthy the confidence of all, proving himself the man he was in his home.

He was almost continuously an officer in his church or his district, and his death has caused the fall of another pillar in life's framework so uncertain to remain intact. The funeral took place Monday morning, interment being made in the Union cemetery at Boalsburg.

Rush to be Cut in Two.

There is a movement on foot among some of the residents of Rush township, those of the southern end particularly, to have the township divided. Rush, from which the borough of Phillipsburg is a chunk, is by far the largest township in Centre county, being thirty miles long by ten wide, perhaps as large as some whole counties in the state.

The Court has so far listened to them as to establish a division line, and the question now awaits the action of the voters of the township. The question may be voted upon at the general spring election, but not necessarily at that time, as it is a point privileged to receive a decision by special election.

Interesting Statistics.

In 1898 there were born in Centre county 294 boys and 294 girls, leaving a surplus of 30 boys, which is encouraging for the girls. The deaths in Centre county during 1898 include that of one over 100 years old, two persons over 90, 22 over 80, 47 over 70, 61 between 40 and 70. The oldest person who died in the county in 1898 was Mrs. Nancy Barger, aged 106 years.

Died in Tyrone.

Mrs. Emma Stevens, wife of Lawyer A. A. Stevens, ex-State chairman of the Prohibition party of Pennsylvania, died suddenly at her home in Tyrone, Monday evening, of paralysis of the heart. She had been spending the afternoon with a friend, when she was suddenly stricken, and soon expired.

Auditors at Work.

County auditors G. G. Fink, Frank Hess and J. D. Wagner are now at work going over the accounts of the county officials. H. B. Pontious is their clerk.

Two Horse Sales.

During this month two horse sales are billed to take place at Runkle's hotel, Centre Hall. On each day a car load of western stock will be offered to the highest bidder. The dates will be announced later.

Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

The annual meeting and election of twelve directors for the ensuing year was held at Runkle's hotel on Monday.

The annual statement of the financial affairs of the Company, makes a highly satisfactory exhibit for the past year showing the Company to be on solid footing. The financial statement will be found in another column. The amount of insurance taken in the past year, was \$376,035. Of this amount \$111,790 was reported by agent Jacob Bortoff, which is the largest amount yet reported by any one agent.

At the annual election the following directors were unanimously re-elected:

H. C. Campbell and J. G. Bailey, of Ferguson.

Frank McFarlane, Boalsburg.

Col. W. Fred Reynolds, Bellefonte.

Frederick Kurtz, Centre Hall.

J. W. Shook and J. W. Evans, of Gregg.

H. E. Duck, Penn.

Aaron D. Weaver, of Haines.

Geo. B. Haines and J. R. Brungart, Rebersburg.

The Board organized by electing the following officers:

President: Frederick Kurtz.

Vice president: H. C. Campbell.

Secretary: D. F. Luse.

Treasurer: B. H. Arney.

The Grip and Other Sickness.

Grip takes the lead all over this section as it does in all other parts of the state. One of our physicians, Dr. Emerick, informs us he attended seven grip cases in one family at one time, and that two and three cases in a family at one time are not rare. No doubt the other physicians have had a similar experience. We observe from our exchanges that the grip is the prevailing ailment all over and is causing many deaths.

Henry Potter, a few miles above this place, has been housed by rheumatism for over a month, and in consequence, was obliged to forego all this good sleighing of which he is fond. Prospects are he will be out again shortly.

We regret to learn that our esteemed friend, ticket agent at Oakhall station, James Gilliland, was prostrated a few days ago by a sudden attack of heart failure. He is now improving.

Fergus Potter, Esq., of near Linden Hall, was laid up last week with lumbago, and are pleased to say is improving.

Death of Mrs. Wian.

The mother of Daniel Wian died on 4th, at his home, in Spring township, from gangrene of the foot. She was over 85 years of age. The interment took place at Pleasant Gap, in the Lutheran cemetery, Friday afternoon, of last week.

She was a lady of Christian habits, and a devoted member of the Lutheran church. She was a sister of the sainted and well-known Rev. Moser, a Lutheran minister who resided at Pinegrove. Of her children there are living Mrs. Wm. Reed, of near Lewisport; the wife of Harry Swab, of Centre Hall; the wife of Wm. Gross, of this valley; Mrs. Fowler, of Huntingdon county, and Daniel Wian, with whom she had made her home.

Suffering from Paralysis.

Miss Mary Stevens, of Aaronsburg, is confined to her bed suffering from a stroke of paralysis, her entire right side being almost entirely paralyzed. She had been to prayer meeting on the evening of the 28th inst.; afterwards neighbors called and remained until after ten o'clock, when they left her in apparently good health. Not having been seen by her immediate neighbors during the following day, a party in the evening about nine o'clock, forced an entrance, and found her lying on the kitchen floor entirely helpless and almost frozen, having lain there almost twenty-four hours. Her brother William, who lives at Pottersdale, Clearfield county, was at once written to and came promptly. There is very little hope of her recovery as she is about seventy years old.

The Spring Elections.

The constitution of Pennsylvania provides that "all elections for city, ward, borough and township officers, for regular terms of service, shall be held on the third Tuesday of February." The third Tuesday of the coming February will be the 21st of the month. Accordingly the next election will be held on that date.

The ballot law, approved June 10, 1893, provides that certificates of nomination for municipal offices must be filed with the county commissioners at least twenty-eight days before the election, and they may be filed earlier.

Had His Arm Torn Off.

Frank Cole, a young man who makes his home with the Mattern family up Buffalo Run valley, met with a serious accident last Saturday afternoon. In some way one of his arms was caught in a fodder shredder and crushed so that it had to be amputated below the elbow. He is a son of Robert Cole, of Bellefonte.

Horrible agony is caused by Piles, Burns and Skin Diseases. These are immediately relieved and quickly cured by De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. Beware of worthless imitations; for sale by Smith & Crawford.

A CRYSTAL WEDDING.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Homan Celebrate Their Fifteenth Marriage Anniversary.

On Tuesday, 30th inst. a very large and brilliant party assembled at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Homan, at Linden Hall, to celebrate the fifteenth anniversary of their marriage and was a very enjoyable occasion and decidedly recherche. It may be here mentioned en passant, that Mr. and Mrs. Homan, nee Royer, were married Jan. 30, 1884, by Rev. Trostle, at present residing at Williamsport.

On this special occasion the interior of the spacious residence was entirely changed to meet the exigency and it proved an excellent arrangement. The dining room presented a scene long to be remembered. The tables were beautifully set and the dishes very artistically arranged and furnished in the most lavish manner, it was a dinner fit for the gods, to which the guests did ample justice.

During the afternoon very choice selections of music were charmingly rendered by Miss Mary Dale, a highly accomplished young lady of Oak Hall, and well deserved the warm commendations received. The short, lively addresses by Rev. G. W. Leshner, of Boalsburg, Rev. C. T. Aikens, of Pine Grove Mills and Hon. J. A. Murray, of Boalsburg, were all delivered in a very happy mood, very appropriate and highly appreciated. The remarks of Mr. Murray were especially interesting; he recited the "Old Oaken Bucket" in a very pathetic manner, and also observed that in this immediate neighborhood, he had passed his boyish days, and in a very feeling manner spoke of the shifting scenes of his childhood.

Previous to the addresses the bride and groom were formally introduced to the company by Rev. G. W. Leshner in a few congratulatory remarks, the whole ceremony producing quite a pretty scene.

The presents were numerous, very useful and costly, consisting of elegantly chased silverware, Bohemian vases, china sets and sets of superb cut glass, table linen, fine cutlery, etc. Among the many very handsome and costly presents especially admired, was a magnificent sideboard presented by Mr. Homan to his wife.

As host and hostess Mr. and Mrs. Homan were perfection, receiving their guests most courteously and in such a cordial manner that all felt at home immediately after their reception. The celebration proved quite an event, as on no previous occasion in Linden Hall, has such a large and distinguished company—the elite of the surrounding country assembled under one roof as they did on this memorable occasion to enjoy the hospitalities lavishly extended to them by Mr. Homan and his charming wife. Late in the day all the guests retired after expressing themselves as having been most delightfully entertained, and also hoping to be present at the anniversary of their diamond wedding—sixty years hence.

Almost a Serious Accident.

On Tuesday evening when the family of D. H. Rote, of Aaronsburg, were about sitting down to supper, a bullet crashed through the west window of the room, crossed the room a few inches in front of their daughter Mamie, who was in the act of placing her chair to the table, and passed out through the window on the east side. On investigation they found George Homan living west of town, had carelessly discharged a rifle pointing in the direction of town to frighten a dog. The careless handling of firearms causes the death of hundreds of persons every year.

Surprise Party.

Mr. J. F. Breon, Sr., of Spring Mills, was tendered a surprise party, January 5th, in honor of his sixtieth birthday. His children, grand-children, and many of his friends were present. An elaborate turkey supper was served at nine o'clock, which had been prepared by his estimable wife and daughter Flora. All were royally entertained until twelve o'clock when they departed for home, wishing Mr. Breon many more birthdays.

Three Candidates.

During the coming months the election of County Superintendent of schools will be held to select a successor to the present incumbent, Prof. C. L. Gramley. There are three candidates in the field, Prof. Gramley, Prof. A. R. Rutt, of Bellefonte, and Prof. H. C. Rothrock, of Millheim. Prof. Gramley served the unexpired term of Prof. Eiters, who resigned, and the last term by election.

Death of James Glover.

In the passing away of James Glover at Laurelton last Saturday, Hartley township lost one of its most prominent citizens. He was ill but a few days. Deceased was born July 20, 1824, at the Glover homestead in Hartley, the youngest of the family of eight children—seven sons and one daughter, of John Glover, Jr., and Elizabeth Gray.—Sat. News.

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We take our Annual Invoice early in February, and in order to have as little stock on hand, and more money in bank, we make a material reduction in prices for three weeks previous.

Those who purchased from us the past seasons, at this time will no doubt seize this opportunity to get good dependable goods at prices less than cost of manufacture.

Everything Marked in Plain Figures!

- One-half off on Overcoats, and all Clothing.
- One-half off on all Ladies' and Misses' Coats and Wraps. That is you pay us just one-half the original price.
- One-quarter or twenty-five per cent. off on all Dress Goods.
- One-quarter or twenty-five per cent. off on Carpet.
- One-third or thirty-three per cent. off on Millinery.
- One-quarter or twenty-five per cent. off on all Table Linens, and Men's, Ladies' and Children's Underwear.
- One-quarter or twenty-five per cent. off on Blankets and Flannels.

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