

THE RACKET. RACKET STORE NEWS

Duncan Department Store, West Fourth street, Williamsport.

The addition of Room No. 7, (2000 square feet floor space) to this store and the big and famous Duncan Department Store at Williamsport, makes another long step forward in the progress of The Racket—and every step taken in the way of improvement has been appreciated by my customers, and a benefit to them as well as the business.

JUST IN

Entire new line of Silks. Taffetas, in plain, plaids and stripes, beautiful effects, exclusive designs. China and Wash Silks, plaids and checks. Liberty Satin, the new Taffettes and Linings.

WASH GOODS.

F. D. Welts, Toile Du Nord and Everett Gingham. Delineator, sheets and patterns for March, early Spring ideas.

G. R. Spigelmyer.

Only two days ago we opened a Job Shoe Sale,

Choice for One Dollar

There were so many takers that the table already shows the effect of the bargains. Don't delay if you care to buy for One Dollar what usually costs you Two.

Another counter gives you a choice of

Men's Shirts at half price.

These two offers are worth your prompt attention. As usual our stock is complete, and prices always right.

Wolf & Crawford.

The Sick.

We learn that our old friend, Jerry Kline, of Aaronburg, is suffering from an attack of the grip.

Mrs. Rebecca Crouse of Aaronburg, is quite ill from lung trouble.

David Krape, one of the oldest citizens of Haines twp., is seriously ill.

John Yerger, and wife, of near Aaronburg, are on the sick list, but improving.

Robert McKnight, late of Bellefonte, now living on his farm near Fillmore, is reported quite ill.

John Bible, one of the aged and most upright of Potter township farmers, has been ill for some time and is in a critical condition.

Mich'l Strohm, merchant, an esteemed citizen of Centre Hill, has been seriously ill for some time.

Jacob Hessel, an old resident of near Potters Mills, is on the sick list.

Mrs. Bartholmev is still low and her condition is a truly sad one.

The Property Owner Liable.

The superior court, which recently held a sitting at Williamsport, has handed down a decision of vital importance to property owners. It is in substance that the owners of the property upon which a person receives an injury caused by a defective sidewalk is liable for damages, and not the town. Wise property owners will see to it that their sidewalks are in proper condition.

A Good Counterfeit.

A remarkably good counterfeit of the half dollar of 1898 is being extensively circulated. The coin is slightly lighter than the genuine, but it rings clear and pure. It can be detected, however, from the fact that in the figures of the date the open work part of the figures which are depressed in the genuine are elevated in the spurious coin, owing to improper cutting of the die.

To insure a happy new year, keep the liver clear and the body vigorous by using De Witt's Little Early Riser, the famous little pills for constipation and liver troubles; for sale by Smith & Crawford.

STARTING THE WORK.

The New Telephone Company at Work on the Centre Hall Line.

The new Commercial Telephone Company has started the work of extending its lines to Centre Hall, and the plant will be installed as rapidly as the weather will permit, and in the course of a few weeks the system is expected to be in operation.

The directors met at Bellefonte on Tuesday and took up the Centre Hall and Penns valley extension. It was the sentiment of the officials to push the work right through. Yesterday managers McCormick and Smith were in town and over the route locating the poles. The trunk lines will be brought over Nittany mountain from Pleasant Gap, instead of making a wide detour of twenty miles around by State College as first intended. Across to Tusseyville and Potters Mills, the poles are on the ground. Once Penns valley is wired, the lines will be extended to Woodward to connect with the Home Telephone Co., of Lewisburg, giving the patrons of each company the service of both districts free of toll.

Forty or fifty phones of the new company are now working in Bellefonte, and many more will be placed.

Weather Outlook.

My last bulletin gave forecasts of the storm wave to cross the continent from the 13th to the 17th, and the next will reach the Pacific coast about the 17th, cross the west of Rockies country by close of the 18th, great central valleys 19th to 21st, eastern states 22d.

Warm wave will cross the west of Rockies country about the 17th, great central valleys 19th, eastern states 21st. Cool wave will cross west of Rockies country about the 20th, great central valleys 22d, eastern states 24th.

Temperature of the week ending 8 a. m. March 27 will average above normal east of the Rockies and below west. Precipitation for the same period will be below east of the Rockies and above normal west.

For the Rocky mountain countries, eastern Colorado and Texas my records are not the best for winter forecasts, and, therefore, for those districts the forecasts have been a little defective during the past winter. But the weather currents change about April 1, and then for the summer months my records will be satisfactory.

Running Steadily.

The Howard Creamery Co., at the station, since it was started over two months ago, has been running steadily and turning out butter in large quantities. The business is managed by Messrs Thomas and Boyd Wilson, who are obliging and conservative in their methods. At present the output is about one thousand pounds per week. This will be increased weekly as the summer approaches. The firm has eight or ten wagons on the road collecting cream from all parts of the valley. They also buy produce from the farmers. During the last month their shipment of eggs was about one thousand dozens weekly.

Rats and Mice Disappeared.

A writer in the Scientific American says he has cleared his premises of vermin by making whitewash yellow with copperas and covering the stones and rafters in the cellar with it. In every crevice in which a rat might go he put the copperas, and scattered it in the corners of the floor. The result was a complete disappearance of rats and mice. Since that time not a rat or mouse has been seen near the house. Every spring the cellar is coated with the yellow whitewash as a purifier and a rat exterminator, and no typhoid, dysentery or fever attacks the family.

A Debt of \$8,000.

The boro auditors were at work on the boro finances this week, and they found a balance against the boro of about \$8,000, within a hundred or so of the seven per cent. limit allowed by law. There is much work yet to be done and some bills unpaid. With all expenses in connection with the boro water plant it has cost about \$9,000.

County Detective.

Joseph W. Rightour, of Bellefonte, has been appointed by the court to the position of county detective for Centre county. This is a position abolished by the court years ago and has been revived to give some favorite a job of loafing. The salary connected with it is \$240.

Recent Millin County Deaths.

Dormantown, wife of Samuel Lawver, aged 63 years. Lewistown, Capt. Cy. Mark, age 75. Decatur twp., Isaac Rheam. Granville, widow of R. G. Shaw, age 60 years. Painterville, Frances Sigler, age 73.

Introduced a Bill.

Senator Heine, on 8, offered a bill to regulate the manner of bringing suits before minor judicial officers, and for serving a certified copy of plaintiff's claim on defense.

These are dangerous times for the health. Croup, colds and throat troubles lead rapidly to Consumption. A bottle of One Minute Cough Cure used at the right time will preserve life, health and a large amount of money. Pleasant to take; children like it; for sale by Smith & Crawford.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Henry Stover, a Respected Farmer near Woodward, Cuts His Throat.

Henry W. Stover, a respected farmer living about one mile north of Woodward, attempted suicide on Monday morning, by cutting his throat, during a temporary aberration of mind.

Mr. Stover is a man aged about seventy years, and has resided in that community for about ten years, having removed there from Nittany valley. For some time he has been a victim of melancholia, during which periods he would become mentally irresponsible. It was during one of these attacks Monday morning he left the house and wandered out to the fields, taking with him a hunting knife. His absence from home was at once noted and a member of the family instituted search. He was found in a field lying in a pool of blood. With the hunting knife he attempted to cut his throat and had made deep and ugly gashes on each side of the throat under the jaw. The jugular vein and main arteries narrowly escaped being cut. Dr. Musser, of Aaronburg, and Dr. Braucht, of Spring Mills, were hurriedly summoned, and succeeded in checking the flow of blood from the wound. The cuts required a number of stitches to close. Mr. Stover had lost a great quantity of blood and his life hung in the balance for a couple days, but may probably recover. He was a sufferer with severe attack of dyspepsia, and having no domestic or financial troubles, the cause can be readily assigned for the rash act.

Recent Deaths.

Frank Musser, son of Emanuel Musser of State College, died at Youngstown, Ohio, on Monday last, of pneumonia, in his 34 year. He had been ill about one week. He was one of a family of nine children, and the first of them to be called hence. His remains were brought to State College for burial. He leaves a wife and three year old daughter to mourn his loss.

The wife of Prof. J. H. Tudor, of State College, died on Tuesday morning. She was the daughter of Capt. J. A. Hunter, of Halfmoon, and a very estimable lady, with many friends to miss her and regret her departure to the happier shore.

Samuel Motz, of Haines twp., one of its oldest residents, died 6th, of paralysis, aged 84 years.

Vinton, a 13 year old son of Irvin M. Lucas, of Howard, died on 7, after a short illness.

Charles W. Miller died at Woodward on 8th, aged 40 years and 2 months.

An infant son of Alf. Catherman, of Millheim died on 9, aged 11 weeks.

Give Us the News.

It is a notable fact, says an exchange that many good items are lost to the newspaper every week by the modesty of the people who hesitate to tell the matters concerning themselves. The right thing to do is to stop the newspaper man on the street or any place you may see him and tell him you have been on a visit, have relatives visiting you, that you and your wife have a new baby at your house, or that your wife entertained friends, or anything that is in any way a matter of news. If you have done anything mean keep that to yourself, for there are others who make it their business to tell about it.

Forgot to Flap His Wings.

David Klepper, who resides in Coleville, a suburb of Bellefonte, conceived the idea of making a pair of wooden wings with which he could sail in the air with the birds. The wings completed, he went to the top of the house, where he adjusted them to his arms and jumped off, but instead of flying, he went to the ground and came very near falling on his mother, who thought he was the evil one, grabbed a hoe and belabored him unmercifully. As soon as David got loose from his harness and at a safe distance from his mother, he commenced to explain his actions to her and ended by saying that when he jumped from the top of the house he forgot to flap his wings, hence his fall.

Sunday School Convention.

A Sunday School Convention will be held in the Court House in Bellefonte, Thursday, March 23. Three sessions will be held, beginning with the morning session at 9.30 a. m. The meeting promises to be full of interest and quite helpful. The officers of the County Association are leaving no stone unturned to make it a success. All are cordially invited to attend its sessions.

Making Staves.

Wm. Colyer, who has done so much towards improving Centre Hall, has set his large shops in motion at the station, and is preparing for a busy season. In the extensive addition to the plant he has erected a complete staff factory which is now running full and giving employment to five or six hands. The plant for making nail kegs and heads requires a number of machines and Mr. Colyer has a complete outfit.

Paul Perry, of Columbus, Ga., suffered agony for thirty years, and then cured his Piles by using De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. It heals injuries and skin diseases like magic; for sale by Smith & Crawford.

DEPOSED FROM OFFICE.

The Democratic Postmaster at Phillipsburg Removed.

This week President McKinley sent to the Senate for confirmation the appointment of A. L. Bolger as postmaster of Phillipsburg, to succeed J. Albert Walton.

Walton had two years yet to serve of his term, and his appointment was of the last acts of President Cleveland's administration. Phillipsburg, with its customary enterprise, has been striving for free delivery, but the business of the office did not warrant this advantage to the town. For a year or more back the papers of the town advised the liberal purchase of stamps that free delivery could be secured. Walton, in his zealous efforts, is charged by the Department with selling stamps in large quantities to outside parties and this was sufficient grounds along with being a Democrat, to remove him from office. The citizens of Phillipsburg sent in a strong petition asking that he be retained, but he got fired instead.

Bringing Better Prices.

At all the public sales, this spring, horses, cattle, sheep and hogs, brought good prices, 20 per cent. better than at any time in the past dozen years.

Horses have been knocked off at \$90 to \$125; cows as high as \$50, and hogs and sheep at corresponding prices, while implements were bid up to fair figures. If wheat would only get up to the dollar mark and remain there, the farmer would not be disposed to complain, and all others would feel the good effects.

At Bradford's sale one horse sold for \$141.50, and a cow at \$55. The sale footed up \$2,500.

James Durst's sale was largely attended, and all goods brought good prices, especially the live stock; cows sold for \$50.

At Bradford's sale, Tuesday, 925 persons took lunch, and 75 dined at the Fort hotel.

Store Sold.

J. H. Weaver, one of Boalsburg's active business men, has purchased Korman's well-known store at Oakhall, and will do business at that stand as soon as an inventory is taken, which will be within a few days.

Mr. Daniel Korman, the retiring merchant, will move into a house near the mill and expects to have time the coming summer to visit his old stamping ground in Haines township, and with some of his old cronies visit his hunting and fishing resorts of many years back, in the mountains along Penns creek where time and the iron horse have wrought many changes. In some of our fishing trips with Dan in that day, we had the starry heavens for our cover as we camped around Yawcoas brinnly.

New Soldiers' Association.

A new association, to be known as the Spanish-American War Veterans' Association, is about to be formed, and a call has been issued for a convention, to be held in Washington, September 4, 5, and 6.

The proposed association will have for its objects the wiping out of sectionalism, the promotion of closer fraternal relations, the fostering of a more unselfish patriotism and the corporate effort to secure the enactment of legislation in state and nation in the interest of soldiers, the army and navy generally.

Repairs in April.

The boro intends making repairs to their reservoir some time next month, according to the statement of a councilman. They have withheld about \$120 from the contractors to make the repairs, and should they not turn up, will try the job themselves. Since last fall there has not been over three feet of water in it, and it is the opinion of many that a far greater sum will be spent before the water can be held.

Bellefonte's Promised Boom.

Bellefonte is to have a silk mill that will employ several hundred hands. Ten acres of land, near the old fair ground, have been donated by the citizens. The Reporter is also reliably informed that the two iron works, long idle, will start up again next summer. Hope all this will be realized as the good effects of it would not only be beneficial to Bellefonte but to all parts of the county.

Transfer of Real Estate.

D. Bartges ass., to Charles Bartges, tract in Gregg, \$270.

Reuben Musser, to C. C. Bartges, 155 acres in Potter, \$2500.

E. M. Bright et al, to Benj. Stover, 5 acres in Haines twp., \$75.

Isaac Strunk to F. E. Bowersox, 1 1/2 acres in Gregg, \$650.

Robbed a Third Time.

D. H. Herr, who runs a store at Salona, seems to be an especial target for burglars. His store has been robbed several times, and on Friday night, while the family were absent, someone broke into the house and took \$30 from a trunk. He has lost in all about \$100 up to date.

Coughing injures and inflames sore lungs. One Minute Cough Cure loosens the cold, allays coughing and heals quickly. The best cough cure for children; for sale by Smith & Crawford.

WE NEVER TIRE OF TELLING

Of our wonderfully good values and our surprisingly low prices.

Selected (not the small ones) Family White Fish or Ciscoes, 10 lb. pails, 58c. 15 lb. pails, 78c. 25 lb. pails, \$1.28.

Wash Boards, 10 to 27c. The 27c. one is a Wire Board and usually retails at \$0 to 35c.

Guaranteed Clothes Wringers, \$1.95, worth \$2.25.

Corn Brooms, 12 to 24c. The cheapest broom that can be bought at wholesale today is 13c.

Electric Welded Wire Hoop Cedar Tubs, 48, 58, and 68c.

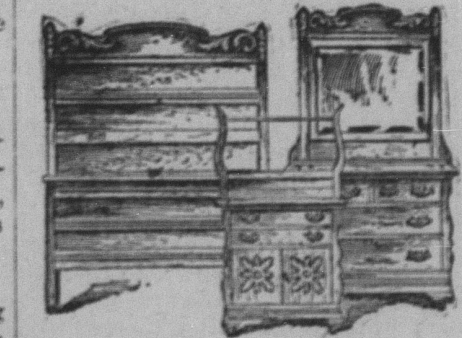
Coffee Mills holding 1 lb. coffee and to fasten against the wall, 25c.

6 doz. Clothes Pins, 5c.

S. M. SWARTZ, TUSSEYVILLE, PA.

WE CARRY The Largest Stock of Furniture In Penns Valley to select from ...AT LESS MONEY...

Than can be bought elsewhere.



We pay the toll or car fare for every Suit sold.

JOHN SMITH & BRO, Spring Mills.

Rev. E. Edwards, pastor of the English Baptist church at Minersville, Pa., when suffering with rheumatism, was advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. He says: "A few applications of this liniment proved of great service to me. It subdued the inflammation and relieved the pain. Should any sufferer profit by giving Pain Balm a trial it will please me." For sale by J. H. Ross, Linden Hall; S. M. Swartz Tusseyville; F. A. Carson, Potters Mills; H. F. Rossman, Spring Mills.

MARKETS. Chicago, March 15. Wheat, May, 70. Philadelphia, March, 15. Wheat, No. 2 Penn'a red, spot, 75c. Butter, creamery, 21. Eggs, fresh, 14c.

Recent Union Co. Deaths. Hartleton, Mary Calvin, aged 79 y. Philadelphia, Agnes Hagnev, formerly of Millmont, aged 36 years. Maseppa, wife of Jacob Schrader, aged 70 years. Lewisburg, widow of Edward Stark, in her 64th year.

The smallest things may exert the greatest influence. De Witt's Little Early Risers are unequalled for overcoming constipation and liver troubles. Small pill, best pill, safe pill; for sale by Smith & Crawford.

HELLO Tell Your Neighbors About the 30 Golden Oak Chamber Suits

Just received at W. R. Brachbill's. They were bought at a sacrifice sale, before the advance in prices. Now you get the prices.

A Solid Oak Suit, Large Beveled Plate Mirror, Double Top, price \$12 75

W. R. BRACHBILL, Bellefonte, Pa.

See the New Mottled Granite Ware.

Carpets woven in one piece—newest designs—called Pro Brussel.

Druggetts and Art Squares.

On an average new goods every day. Don't come here for old stock. New and modern goods at much less than old stock.

Garman's Store. Bellefonte, Pa.

PRATT'S POULTRY FOOD



A poultry regulator, guaranteed egg producer and cures disease. Purely vegetable. Never fails to give good results. 26 oz. for 25c.

Pratt's Animal Regulator

For horses, cattle, sheep and hogs, used in large quantities at this season of the year. Satisfaction guaranteed.

A full stock of coal on hand.

G. H. LONG, Spring Mills, Pa.

To Our Friends and Patrons.

Before you send your money out of the county to some mail order house, or buy a bill of goods from some traveling groceryman or dry goods peddler that claims to be selling goods at retail at wholesale prices, come in and see us and bring a list of the goods you want, and see if we cannot sell you the same as cheap or cheaper for spot cash than they will, and at the same time you will be sure of getting nothing but reliable goods.

H. F. Rossman, SPRING MILLS.