

THE RACKET A STEP FORWARD.

Owing to the rapid increase of the business it has become necessary to arrange the store in departments—The

DRY GOODS DEPARTMENT

will be attended by Miss Maud Spigelmeyer and Sadie Bayard with special help when needed. The Notion Department, including novelties and Hosiery, will be under the care of Miss Gertrude Spigelmeyer and Homer Barnes. The Shoe Department and Basement an important part of the store, will be under the management of Shem Spigelmeyer, Jr., and Harry Showers and the whole will be under the Supervision of G. R. Spigelmeyer—original Racket Store man. We hope in this way to be able to serve you better and more promptly. Other improvements are in contemplation of which we will inform U later.

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LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

—This month we are entitled to one extra day.

—Liberty township was well represented at court this week.

—Mr. Henry Haupt has been smiling all over his face. It's a boy.

—All goods must be sold—am going to quit the business—Simon Loeb.

—Read the Philad. Branch ad. in another column. They make an important announcement.

—The DeMoss family will give a concert in the Evangelical church, of this place, next Monday evening, Feb. 8th.

—We are informed that Garman & Luckenbach's gents furnishing store of this place, will be moved to Phillipsburg in April.

—Gov. Pattison will make the opening address at the Friday morning session of the Farmers' Institute at Howard this week.

—Mr. Thomas Hutchison, formerly express agent at this place, now holding a similar position on the P. & E., is spending a short vacation among friends at this place. He is looking well.

—R. M. Magee and son, Forrest, were in Bellefonte the past week on a short visit. They like Philadelphia but still lood upon Bellefonte as their home, and expect to return in the future.

—The portrait of ex-Governor James A. Beaver has been hung in the reception room at the executive department of the capitol, at Harrisburg. It is said to be a splendid likeness, and was made by W. A. Graves, of Warren, Pa.

—The new Academy of Music at Tyrone, which has just been completed, will be opened on next Monday evening Feb. 8th. Marie Huber Frohman will present "The Witch" on that occasion. They have a handsome new building at that place and it will be crowded on that occasion.

—Mr. J. N. Dinges, of Boalsburg, had business in town on Wednesday. He says Boalsburg has been unusually lively the past few weeks with singing conventions, teachers local institute last week and the Farmers' Institute which is in progress there Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

—Work will be commenced next week in laying new composition stone floors in the vaults of the prothonotary's and the commissioners' offices in the court house. After this is completed the new metallic furniture will be put in place and everything will be in good order and well systemized in those departments.

—Some of our contemporaries are continually informing the public of some gigantic industry starting up in or about Bellefonte, or of the other establishments being started soon. These newspaper scribblers are a set of "sooners." Don't deceive the public with your groundless rumors, but tell the truth—at least make an effort in that line.

—On Saturday morning a large barn owned by Charles and Philip Behers, of Buffalo Run, caught fire by some unknown means and was burned to the ground, with all its contents, consisting of nine horses, five cows, other live stock, grain, hay and implements, amounting to about \$6000 on which there was but a small insurance.

—Ground hog day came on Tuesday and from our observations the sun failed to penetrate the heavy clouds overhead. If the old prophecy is true the ground hog could not see a shadow to frighten him and we will have fine weather from this on to the first of April. No cold winter blasts or deep snows. This is a good sign when it proves correct; but when it misses, it don't count.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

CASES TRIED AND VERDICTS RENDERED.

Hungarian Sentenced for Violation of the Liquor Law—Eagleville well Represented at Court.

The case between John Iddings and J. I. Wagner was tried on last Thursday and was a claim for wages. The jury found a verdict for the defendant. James Duck vs Huyette & Meyer, was tried on Thursday. Huyette & Meyer have a large lumber operation in Harris township and the suit was a claim of \$45 for furnishing feed to a teamster at the lumber job. The jury in this case went out at 11 a. m. and could not agree until midnight. Their verdict was for the plaintiff \$40.66.

Frank Reese vs Thompson Reese was a claim for board bill and personal property. The litigants were sons of the late Valentine Reese. The jury found a verdict of \$54.34 for Frank Reese, the plaintiff. Thomson Reese vs Franklin Reese was a cross suit for to recover personal property. Verdict was returned in favor of the plaintiff.

David Hampton vs J. I. Wagner, claim for wages. Verdict found in favor of the defendant.

SECOND WEEK'S DOINGS.

Monday morning brought a large number of people to town as the cases put down for trial have a large number of witnesses, as none of the cases were ready no work was done on Monday morning. In the afternoon the case of W. F. Reynolds vs the Grenoble Store Co., of Spring Mills, was called. The suit was to recover the amount of a note given by L. J. Grenoble, for rent of store building. Verdict returned of \$274.34 for plaintiff.

The next case was James A. Storrell & Co., vs W. H. Wilkinson, & Co. Verdict for defendant.

The principal case of the week appears to be D. W. Herring vs A. M. Hoover, et al. The litigants are from Eagleville and suit is brought to recover damages caused by defendants mill dam overflowing the lands of the plaintiff. There are a large list of witnesses on the case and it has consumed two days in trial.

In this case the jury returned a verdict for the defendant.

The next case was to recover damages for slander—Wm. Colpetzer vs H. J. Tressler. Colpetzer claimed that Tressler circulated reports that he (Colpetzer) had stolen chickens, thereby injuring his reputation in that community. Both parties are from Benner twp. Case being tried as we go to press.

Andrew Osickton, the Hungarian who furnished liquor to a lot of his countrymen causing a drunken carousal in this town a few Sundays ago was sentenced to pay a fine of \$50, costs of prosecution and twenty days imprisonment.

Future Attractions.

Manager A. S. Garman informs us that all the attractions he has booked for the balance of this season are the following:

The Midnight Alarm, on Friday, February 12th.

Bristol's Equestrian, on February 29th and March 1st, with one matinee.

Grime's Cellar Door, on March 4.

Annie Mitchell Comedy Co., one week commencing March 7.

There are arrangements now being made by the G. A. R. and High School to give a benefit entertainment on Feb. 22nd, Washington's birth day.

Trout Fry.

The Pennsylvania Commissioners of Fisheries are now prepared to receive applications for trout fry. One can, containing 2,000 young trout, will be sent free of expense to the nearest railroad station to each applicant. Applications for trout fry should be made to the following commissioners: Henry C. Ford, 1853 Vine street, Philadelphia; W. L. Powell, Harrisburg; H. C. Demuth, Lancaster; S. B. Stillwell, Scranton; Louis Streuber, Erie; C. H. Welshons, Pittsburg.

Clearing Sale.

For the purpose of disposing of the balance of winter stock of ready made clothing between this and spring, we have inaugurated a clearance sale of overcoats and heavy suitings. We prefer to sell this portion of our stock at a sacrifice, at and below cost, rather than carry the same over winter next season. We must make room for our spring and summer goods. All these goods are new. This is an opportunity for bargains. Buy where you can save money, at the

PHILAD. BRANCH

Branching Out.

Last Saturday Mr. Fred Dunham purchased the Eckenroth fruit and confectionery store in the basement of the Crider building on High street. Fred has moved his news stand to that place and will be in better shape to serve the public than formerly. We wish him abundant success in his new venture.

—"Midnight Alarm" at the opera house Friday evening, February 12th. This is a good attraction and will draw a large house.

—Overcoats are selling at cost at the Philad. Branch.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS.

Dined with Gen. Hastings on last Saturday at this Place.

Gen. Hastings residence, on Allegheny street this place, was thronged on last Saturday by a host of distinguished guests of this and other places. At 6 p. m. dinner was served and it was appropriate for the occasion. The table was surrounded by the following gentlemen: Hon. John Woodside, one of Pennsylvania's World's fair Commissioners; Hon. Thos. A. Cooper, Collector of Philadelphia; Col. Lambert, of the Philadelphia Press; Ex-Governor Curtin, Ex-Governor Beaver, Senator P. G. Meek, Hon. James Milliken, John G. Love and W. F. Reeder, Esqs., and General D. H. Hastings. Each and all of the above gentlemen are known as public men who have made good records for themselves in the political business and social fields.

After the dinner was served many visitors called upon the Gen. and his distinguished guests.

A Mistake.

Last week the Gazette, in commenting on the Carrie Wilson infanticide trial, made the statement that Mr. McCauley, of Hubersburg, had summoned a large number of witnesses from that section for the purpose of assailing the young lady's character. We are reliable informed that this accusation is untrue and further we are authorized to deny the same through the columns of this paper. The young man in question was not interested or connected in any form with the trial and remained at his home at work at the time of court. This explanation is due him as he was greatly misrepresented by the Gazette.

Love Finds a Way.

Levi Benson, of Huntingdon, has secured a wife after extraordinary efforts. The bride is his cousin, Emma Benson, fifteen years old. Her father objected to the match, and the couple eloped, walking 110 miles to Middletown, Dauphin county, where they worked until they saved their railroad fare to New Jersey.

After being married they returned to that neighborhood, and after showing their marriage certificate were forgiven.

Pattison and Beaver.

This week posters were printed stating that the Farmers' Institute at Howard, beginning on Friday of this week, would be honored by the presence of Gov. Robt. E. Pattison and ex-Gov. James A. Beaver, of Bellefonte. According to the program Gen. Beaver will make the address of welcome on Friday morning which will be responded to by Gov. Pattison. The presence of these two distinguished gentlemen will insure a very large attendance from every section of our county.

Caught Between Bumpers.

W. M. Weiser, of Tyrone, brakeman on through coal train on the Bald Eagle valley railroad, met with a painful accident last Friday. He was making a coupling at Milesburg, when his right hand was caught between the bumpers and badly crushed. Three fingers and the fleshy part of the hand were severely lacerated. Dr. Harris, of Bellefonte, sewed up the wounds.

Accident at Mill Hall.

A man by the name of Rhule, who worked at the upper axe factory, at Mill Hall, was probably fatally injured by the bursting of a grindstone last Thursday. One leg and hip were broken, one hand torn up, necessitating the amputation of some of the fingers. The force of the explosion threw him nearly to the roof of the building. Mr. Rhule is a married man with several children.

Liquor Licenses Omitted.

Hereafter the mercantile appraiser, in making up his list, will omit all persons who have license and are engaged in selling liquor, unless such persons are engaged in other business along with that of selling liquor. The Commissioners received instructions to that effect from the Auditor General this week. The supreme courts recently rendered an opinion to that effect.

—Mr. David M. Stover, of Woodward, a juror at this term of court, paid us a call to renew his subscription.

—Mr. Frank Hess and Richard Hale, two young men of Phillipsburg, and Mr. John F. Mallon, of Rush twp., three jovial young men, are jurors this week in court.

—Mr. Ed. Sellers, proprietor of the Oak Hall flouring mill, paid us a pleasant call the past week. Mr. Sellers is the party that manufactures the famous "Millers Daughter" roller flour, one of the best brands on the market.

—Last Thursday morning Mr. Joseph Wise and Miss Ella O'Leary were married in the Catholic church at this place. As both are excellent young people the community wishes them a world of happiness. They will return this week from their wedding trip and will make Bellefonte their future home.

—The statement of the standing of the county will be published in our next issue. We can inform our readers that after one year [of democratic rule the county is again free of debt and on good footing. There will be a few interesting items in the statement which will be of special interest to the taxpayers of the county.

County Grange.

On the evening of the 11th ult., I. S. Frain, of Jacksonville, and Deputy W. M. Benninger, of Northampton county, organized a grange at Millheim with 33 charter members.

On the 13th they organized a grange at Feidler, Haines township. On the 14th they organized a grange at Rebersburg and on the 15th they organized a grange at Madisonburg.

The meeting of the Centre County Pomona Grange, held at Milesburg on the 19th ult., was largely attended. The report of the Grange Fire Insurance Company showed that there were now insured in the company over \$1,800,000 worth of property and the average cost per thousand for a period of sixteen years has been only \$1.32, a lower rate of insurance than any company in the state.

The report of the picnic association showed an equally prosperous condition. Already \$1700 has been paid on the purchase money and upwards of \$5000 have been expended on improvements; so far every obligation has been promptly met and paid. The following committee of management were appointed for the coming year: Leonard Rhone, John Dauberman, G. M. Boal, Geo. Gingrich, Geo. Dale and J. J. Arney.

Asleep in a Burning Bed.

Two woodsmen who came to Lock Haven last week on a late train obtained lodging at the Custar House. About an hour after they retired the proprietor, Mr. McLeod, was awakened by the men who were making an effort to get their bed out of the house. From one of the men Mr. McLeod learned that they had taken a smoke after retiring and a spark from a pipe or cigar had set the bed clothing on fire. The men when they awakened were almost suffocated by the smoke. The bed clothing was destroyed by the fire but no further damage was done.

This is a warning to persons who can't go to bed without a cigar or pipe in their mouth; it is a warning to such nicotine fiends. They are liable to cremate themselves in this way.

Town Topics.

This is the title of New York's great society journal, a paper that for publishing facts stands without a rival in this country. It is debarred from many of the homes in the city because it shows the human character on this sphere without their masks. There is more to be learned from real life in one copy of Town Topics than from a year's reading of any city daily. If you have not read it you have missed some bold literature.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

issued During the Past Week—Taken From the Docket.

- James E. Houtz, - Ferguson twp.
- Birdie R. Dunning, - Port Matilda.
- Joseph Wise, - Bellefonte.
- Ella O'Leary, - " "
- Joseph Poorman, - Curtin twp.
- Anna Foringer, - " "
- F. R. Womelsdorf, - Loganton, Pa.
- E. J. Houtz, - Rebersburg.
- M. H. Grove, - Marion twp.
- Ida M. Poorman, - Spring twp.

Now is the Time.

As everybody knows, the one great fault to be found with Bellefonte is the heavy debt and enormous taxes levied each year. This town has been afflicted for a number of years with a gang of unscrupulous politicians who place men in office for the purpose of working contracts and private schemes. Let the citizens turn out and take a stand for sound and good men.

Spring Election.

The regular spring election for borough and township officials will take place on Tuesday, February 16th. The election in our borough is a very important one and new officials, by all means, should be chosen. Our taxes are on the increase yearly, which is a sure sign of extravagance.

Behind Again.

It is common rumor on the streets that D. S. Ray, the boro tax collector, is back about \$25,000 on his duplicates that should have been collected, but that he fears a defeat should he demand the same from the delinquents. Can this be true?

"Midnight Alarm."

The next attraction at the opera house will be the "Midnight Alarm" which is considered a very fine production. The press notices given it in adjoining towns are of the best and everyone will be pleased. It will appear in the opera house on Friday evening, Feb. 12th.

—Nearly every person you meet has just recovered from a severe attack of the grip. The disease seems to have spent its force and the number of cases is on the decrease.

—Mrs. Ewing, the famous lecturer on cooking, of Chataqua, will give a free lecture on that subject in the rooms of the W. C. T. U., on Friday afternoon of this week. Young ladies are especially requested to be present.

—Mr. Robert Haines, one of Snow Shoe's prominent citizens, and his son William, who is known as one of the best trout fishermen in that region, called on Tuesday. They informed us that the reports in regard to the sickness at Snow Shoe were greatly exaggerated by the papers.

RECENT DEATHS.

ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE LUSE FAMILY GONE.

Jonas Dinges, a well known Railroad Engineer Expires at Tyrone—Other Deaths in this Community.

In our issue last week mention was made of the sad affliction of the household of Wm. Luse, of Farmers Mills, by which the father and two daughters were swept away inside of almost a week by a malignant form of diphtheria. Then only two were left, Mrs. Luse and her eldest daughter, Miss Rosa, both of whom were down with the same disease at that time. By the time the DEMOCRAT reached its readers throughout the county Miss Rosa had succumbed to the dread disease and her interment occurred on last Saturday. This leaves but one—the sad and heart-broken mother. She was ill with the same disease but hopes are expressed for her recovery.

As it was claimed that the disease came to that section from a corpse shipped from Tyrone, the undertaker informs us that he had the certificate of three physicians of Tyrone that such was not the case. The origin may be unknown and the physicians who attended the Luse family have exercised due vigilance so that the disease has not spread in any in that section.

DEATH OF JONAS DINGES.

Jonas Dinges, who is well known to many of our Centre county readers, died on Tuesday last week at his home in Tyrone. He had been suffering from an attack of the grip for three weeks, and against the advice of his physician and wife, he insisted that he was able to do duty, and took a chill and suffered a relapse and in a few hours death claimed him for his own.

Jonas Swartz Dinges was born near Millheim, Centre county, and at his death was aged over 63 years, and for many years followed the business of a merchant tailor in the several towns of Centre and Clinton counties and finally drifted to railroad engineering, where he became in time a locomotive engineer, in which capacity he died. He was married twice. His first wife was a Miss Riggs, of Altoona. To this union several children were born, seven of whom survive. His second wife, Mrs. England, survives. To this union no children were born. He was for many years in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad as engineer on the middle division, and shortly after that company took charge of the Bald Eagle Valley railroad, in 1883. His railroad service on the Tyrone division dates from June, 1863, being with the exception of Theodore Van Scoyoc, the oldest engineer in the service on the Tyrone division. The remains were taken to Philadelphia, Mrs. Dinges' former home, for interment in Laurel Hill cemetery.

DR. J. H. PIERCE, DEC'D.

Among the medical fraternity of Phillipsburg, Dr. J. H. Pierce was a prominent figure. He was a man of intellect and broad culture and was known as one of the successful physicians of that community. Some years ago he was afflicted with something like a cancerous growth in his throat. He had a remarkable surgical operation performed and by inserting a silver tube there his recovery was secured. He went to the hospital in Philadelphia recently to receive treatment, but this time he succumbed and his death occurred on last Thursday morning. He was an old soldier and an army surgeon of the late war. His body was taken to New York state for interment.

A SUDDEN DEATH.

Last Thursday afternoon the sudden death of Miss Biddie McLaughlin caused a sensation in our community. The young lady was a seamstress and was at the home of Mr. B. C. Achenbach, the baker, on that day. She apparently was in good health that afternoon and chatted with a number of callers. While sitting in a chair engaged in sewing, she fell back and soon was dead. Her death was due to heart disease. Miss McLaughlin was an estimable young lady and had many friends in this community. The interment occurred on Monday, services being held in the Catholic church, of which she was a consistent member. The funeral was largely attended.

DEATH OF REV. YEARICK.

Rev. S. Yearick, who was born near Madisonburg, Nov. 4, 1827, died at the same place Jan. 21, 1892, aged 64 years, 2 months and 17 days. He was a father of nine children, three of whom preceded him to the spirit world. He was licensed to preach the gospel by the Central Pa., Conference of the Evan. Association in the spring of 1864 and entered the ranks of the itinerant ministry in 1870. The funeral occurred on Jan. 25th and the body of the departed was laid to rest in the cemetery at the Yearick's church close to the home of the deceased.

MRS. DAVID BUTTS.

Mrs. David Butts, of Bellefonte, became ill last Friday from an attack of the grip which terminated in her death on Wednesday morning. She was about 63 years of age. She had been an invalid for some years.

DEATH OF MRS. LUCAS.

Mrs. Harry Lucas, who was the daughter of Mr. Harry Spotts, of Bush

Hollow died on Tuesday of this week at 3 o'clock. The funeral was held Wednesday morning at 10.30 o'clock the interment being in the Advent burial ground.

DEATH OF JAMES McCAFFERTY.

James McCafferty, of Bradford, a son of Chas. McCafferty, of Bellefonte, died at Bradford, Pa., on Monday morning. The particulars of his terrible death are as follows: He and his wife had gone out on Sunday to visit friends at Watonsville, near Bradford. That afternoon they took a trip on a dinky used for hauling lumber on a tramroad. While coming down a steep grade, the brake broke and the engine jumped the track at a sharp curve. Mr. and Mrs. McCafferty were thrown beneath the engine where they were pinioned down for some time and were terribly scalded. Mr. McCafferty died the following morning from his injuries and his wife's death followed on Tuesday. His remains arrived in Bellefonte on Wednesday and the funeral occurred in the afternoon. He was employed in the Bradford bank for the past twelve years.

From M'Kean Co.

Mr. B. A. Poorman, formerly of Romola, now employed in lumbering at Portage Creek, McKean county, writes the following: "Here in McKean co., the snow is about two feet deep and it is terrible cold. Last week the thermometer registered 25 degrees below zero and in some places lumber operations closed down. The firm I am employed with generally have a hundred men at work but this year there are only fifty. They pealed about four thousand cord of bark last season. The operation is connected by tramroad with the W. N. Y. P. E. railroad. I notice that grip has taken away a number of Centre county's old citizens. Up here we are more apt to freeze to death than die with the grip."

—Governor Pattison attended the Farmers Institute at Boalsburg yesterday.

JAMES C. NOLL, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. Office on the second floor of Crider's Exchange, Bellefonte, Pa. Collections and all legal business attended to promptly.

NEWTON SPANGLER, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. Office, second floor of Crider Exchange, Bellefonte, Pa. All kinds of legal business promptly attended to.

J. W. ALEXANDER, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. General legal business executed and collections promptly made. Office on High street, Bellefonte, Pa.

NOTICE IN PARTITION. In the matter of partition of the real estate of Wm. Coan, late of Spring township, Centre county, deceased. The heirs of said deceased will take notice that in pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court of Centre county a writ of partition has been issued from said Court to the effect of said order, returnable on Monday the 25th day of April, A. D. 1892, and that the inquest will meet for the purpose of making partition of the real estate of said deceased on Tuesday the 1st day of March, A. D. 1892, at 10 o'clock a. m., of said day, upon the premises, at which time and place you can be present if you see proper. The premises in question are described as follows: A certain message and tract of land situate in Spring township, Centre county, Penna., bounded and described as follows: In the North by land of Terrie Murray; in the East by public road; on the South by land of the heirs of Perry Lucas, deceased, and on the West by land of J. B. and C. T. Alexander, being 50 feet in front in said public road and extending back in depth 250 feet, and having erected thereon a two story frame dwelling house and stable and other outbuildings. That no partition of said premises has been made, but partition thereof yet remains to be made and among the heirs of said deceased.

W. A. ISHLER, Sheriff. (Feb. 19, '92.)

LEWIS THE ROBBER. Our forefathers, in the flesh, have vivid recollection of the stories of Lewis the Robber. He died in Bellefonte in 1820. Lewis, the Robber and Counterfeiter, is a book 52 p. and contains 84 pages. Paper cover 25 cents, cloth 40 cents. Sent postpaid on receipt of price. 655 agents wanted. Liberal inducements to agents. Write for terms. Please mention this paper. Address: C. D. RISHLE, Shiremanstown, Pa. Jan 27, 92.

Bellefonte Grain Market.

Corrected weekly by Geo. W. Jackson & Co:

White wheat, per bushel.....	83
Red wheat, per bushel.....	88
Eye, per bushel.....	75
Corn, ears per bushel.....	40
Corn, shelled per bushel.....	50
Oats—new per bushel.....	30
Barley, per bushel.....	50
Buckwheat, per bushel.....	30
Cloverseed, per bushel.....	\$4.00 to \$5.00
Ground plaster, per ton.....	2.50

PROVISIONS, GROCERIES &c. (as corrected weekly by Bower & Co.)

Apples, dried, per pound.....	1 05
Cherries dried per pound, seeded.....	10
Beans per quart.....	10
Onions, per bushel.....	100
Butter, per pound.....	25
Tallow, per pound.....	3
Country Shoulders.....	10
Sides.....	10
Hams.....	20
Hams sugar cured.....	15
Breakfast Bacon.....	12
Lard, per pound.....	10
Eggs per dozen.....	15
Potatoes per bushel.....	40
Dried Sweet Corn per pound.....	8

Common Soap
Rot's Clothes and Chaps Hands.
IVORY SOAP
DOES NOT.