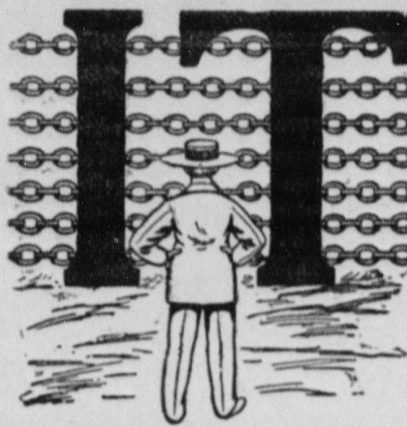


THE RACKET.

No. 9, CRIDER EX., BELLEFONTE, PA.

There's No Getting Around



that The Racket is the most popular store in Bellefonte and the crowds that daily come to the store is evidence of the fact.

Our 8th Semi-Annual

Clearance Sale

Commences WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1st, 1894.

Our oldest customers know what that means and all, both young and old, will be welcome to share in the feast.

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94 pieces Select Ribbons, Shades, Quality, Width and Price to suit U. Also Silk Belting and Silver Buckles and Slides.

G. R. SPIGLEMYER, SHEM SPIGLEMYER, JR.

LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

Miss Kate Bullock is home after spending several months among relatives in Philadelphia.

Linn street property owners are improving the appearance of that section by tearing away their front yard fences.

Mrs. Samuel Cherry and family departed on Monday morning for Olyphant, near Scranton, where they will make their future home.

The Logan boys intend to give Hecla Park a gathering on August 9th that will be a surprise. Extensive preparations are being made.

John O'Connor left on Tuesday morning to accept the position in the custom house, at Philadelphia, recently filled by James McCafferty.

The Coleville Methodist church will hold a festival on Friday evening of this week, in their chapel. The delicacies of the season will be served.

On Monday track laying for the new electric street railway from Mill Hill to Lock Haven began with a large force of workmen on the route.

When you see a young man and woman walking down the street, leaning on each other like a pair of badly matched oxen, it is a pretty good sign that they are bent on consolidation.

Since Saturday we have had a decided change of weather. It is a taste of extremes from hot to cool which is by no means healthy. Rheumatics are complaining.

Mr. Jacob Kreider, of Gatesburg, accompanied by his brother, Rev. Kreider, pastor of the Lutheran congregation at Bellwood, were pleasant callers at our office on Monday.

Mr. Philip Collins, who has been quite ill at his home at Ebensburg, Pa., has recovered sufficiently to contemplate a trip to visit friends at this place. He is a member of the well known firm of Collins Bros.

The supreme court last week decided that borough and township auditors are entitled to compensation for their labor in connection with the preparing of tickets under the Baker ballot law used at the February elections, the county being liable for the same.

Taylor Bros., plumbers, have been awarded the contract for steam, water and gas fittings in the new Brockerhoff building on Allegheny street. The fittings put in will be of the very finest and latest improved. The firm of Taylor Bros. is composed of enterprising young men who will succeed.

Mrs. C. B. Remick while breaking eggs into a pan last evening broke one that contained a snake about three inches long. The little snake was perfect in shape and how it got into the egg is a mystery that is mystifying Mrs. Remick and her neighbors who were called in to see the "varmit."—Lock Haven Express.

On Saturday afternoon James Moore, of Buffalo Run, got in trouble and policeman Garis placed him under arrest. While taking the man along the street he offered resistance several times and in the scuffle he fell on his face on the curbstone resulting in a broken nose. He was taken to his home that evening and his injuries were cared for by a physician. Some hasty people are censuring the officer for something that he could not help.

WAS IT AN ELECTION?

MORE ABOUT COMPANY B'S TROUBLE.

How and Why Soldiers are Enlisted and Discharged—Colonel Burchfield takes an Active Part—Intimidation Wins.

On last Friday evening the line officers of Fifth Regiment, N. G. Pa. met at the Logan House, Altoona, to elect a lieutenant colonel. Major R. C. Elder, of Lewistown and Lieutenant Colonel Amos Mullen of Bellefonte, were put in nomination. Major Elder was elected on first ballot by 17 to 3. This made the position of major vacant. The names of McNamara, of Bedford and Captain W. F. Reber, of Bellefonte were presented resulting in the election of Captain McNamara by 14 to 6.

COMPANY B ELECTION.

The article published in our last issue, relative to the troubles in company B, of Bellefonte, caused much comment among military circles and the people of this community. The direct charges by the men so implicated the Colonel for his action that he found it necessary to make a reply in the Altoona Gazette on Monday. The following are the salient points of the article. In referring to the articles taken at the tippie, he says:

"The men who took the tools were guilty of larceny; that their action, in addition to being illegal, was injurious to the reputation of the National Guard; that they were, after such conduct not fitted to remain longer in the guard."

Twenty-four men were under Lieut. Taylor at this tippie and only eleven of them were discharged. As thirty-eight men in all were summarily discharged, the balance of the company, or twenty-six, or say about twenty, must have been under the direction of 1st Lieutenant Reeder, at the mouth of the mine. So that if these men were discharged for stealing property there certainly was more vandalism under Lieutenant Reeder's squad than under Mr. Taylor's and hence a greater lack of discipline. Yet Mr. Taylor is placed under arrest and dismissed. A strange and inconsistent course. From the same article we clip:

"Colonel Burchfield ordered Captain Reber to reorganize his company by discharging the men implicated in the affair and fill their places with newly enlisted men. It is said about 23 men were thus relieved of duty."

Had this order been consistently carried out no objection could be made. It would have implicated the Captain of the company, the Lieutenant and other dignitaries. To substantiate this assertion there are a number of dismissed soldiers, with whom we have consulted, who are anxious to prove the same before any authorized court of inquiry or are willing to furnish affidavits for publication, if the above gentlemen, in any way, deny that they are guilty of this charge—of participating, encouraging or abetting in these acts. At this point it is in place to say that 2nd Lieutenant Taylor took nothing himself, saw no one take any articles, and that two men whom he saw with articles in their possession, he promptly ordered to return. This can be qualified to whom ever desired.

This comes as a direct accusation—it is too serious to be allowed to pass. There is not enough dignity in the National Guard to allow it to be ignored. If true, Colonel Burchfield should see that his orders are faithfully carried out. There should be no favoritism shown.

"We had intended, for the sake of the parties concerned as well as for the reputation of the Guard, to keep this matter quiet," said Colonel Burchfield this morning. "but since it has reached public print—and incorrectly stated at that—there is no longer any reason for our keeping silent. The men have been granted honorable discharges. They ought to be glad to get off so easily."

We agree with Col. Burchfield that there was a desire to keep the matter quiet, but the manner in which the Colonel's orders were carried out deserved that the public be acquainted, no matter whose reputation might be affected.

We are not personally acquainted with Col. Burchfield, but we believe that he is inclined to do justice to all, but in this case it looks as though he was not fully informed or was misled, or acted hastily. When he refers to our article in last issue: "and incorrectly stated at that," he either means that the CENTRE DEMOCRAT did not tell the truth; probably that it was misinformed or that the dismissed soldiers were untruthful. In reply, every statement in our last issue can be verified by the affidavits of scores of men. As the editor of this paper cherishes a reputation for veracity, we do not think the Colonel's sweeping denial sufficient. Show a single misstatement, and until that is done we hereby very politely return to this distinguished soldier the ungentlemanly insinuation tendered. We would like very much to see this case investigated to see in which faction the greater truth-telling capacity lies.

On Monday there was a great stir among military men. The Taylor element made a careful canvass and decided that it would be best for the company if a new man be selected for the captaincy and they urged L. T. Munson to allow his name to come forward. It is claimed that he had a clear majority and could have been elected. It is asserted that Capt. Reber threatened the discharge of more men in case they worked or voted against him. Several dismissed men informed the writer, that they were solicited to

come back to the company, that they could attend the election, providing they would vote for the re-election of Captain Reber. These are not haphazard statements, but can be verified. It goes to show that men were discharged and enlisted according to how they would vote. The state military laws grant the privates the privilege of selecting their superior officers, but in this case there appeared to be no privilege about it—coercion intimidation, the exercise of arbitrary authority, infamous tyranny. When the time for election came eight more old members were given their discharges as they appeared in full uniform to enter the armory. The public was not admitted, only newspaper men and a few favored individuals.

When the time came for the election the names of Capt. W. F. Reber and L. T. Munson were in nomination for captain of company B. Col. Burchfield then stepped forward and announced that if Mr. Munson should be elected at this time he would not receive his commission, and that it would be useless to attempt it. This announcement that the privates could not select their superior officer, fell like a damper on the men. Under these directions they could do nothing else and many changed to Captain Reber who received 29 votes, and Munson 12 who would not yield.

There are many expressions heard among old soldiers in regard to Colonel Burchfield's course. Mr. Munson is well acquainted with military tactics as commander in the Knights Templar order, and could easily have filled the position. Men in position to know and interpret military laws openly declare Col. Burchfield stepped beyond his jurisdiction in declaring Mr. Munson ineligible for the position. It is surprising to hear the sentiment of the community in the matter. An election is defined as a choice, an option or expression of a preference, etc. In this case, however, there was nothing of the kind because they were told that a vote for Munson was useless. It is the general opinion that unfair means were used to control this election. That is the opinion of the writer, and all others are entitled to think as they please. We only ask them to investigate before expressing an opinion.

Persons tell us that the CENTRE DEMOCRAT has made a mistake by taking up company B's difficulties. That may be true. Our motive has been to give a fair and impartial statement of the case, and if we have erred in any manner we have labored with an honest motive to give the truth so that all may stand in a just light before the public. The more we investigated, the firmer is our conviction that the most infamous outrages have been practiced in the company. The community deserve to know the facts and pass upon it and we feel that if His Excellency Robt. E. Pattison, were acquainted with this shame he would take immediate steps to rectify the disgrace.

We would much prefer to remain neutral, but young men's private honor, men who expect to live a long time in this world, has been assailed—honor which we consider more sacred than the reputation of a thousand regiments—and especially so when we believe them right, for

"He is thrice armed whose cause is just, And he but naked—the' wrapped in steel—Whose conscience is corrupted by injustice."

Trial List.

The following cases have been set down for trial at August term of court, commencing on Monday, August 27.

FIRST WEEK.

- S. R. Pringle vs. overseers of poor of Taylor township.
A. Walter vs. W. K. Alexander.
W. C. Heine vs. John Swartz et al.
A. Baum, agt., vs. E. J. Swavely.
E. S. Dorworth use of, vs. Jas. McMullen.
S. R. Pringle vs. Vinton Beckwith.
Barney Middleman vs. J. T. Lucas & Son.
John Nestlerode vs. Wm. James.
Wm. Hiss vs. John Nolan.
G. W. Campbell vs. Hannah Grove's administrator.
Joel Tressler vs. Chas. S. Beck.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Mr. Edward Richards, of Philadelphia, is visiting his parents at this place.

Local horsemen are having lots of sport the past week dealing with gypsies and traveling horsemen.

The Presbyterian congregation at Filmore will hold a festival at that place on Saturday evening, July 28th. All the delicacies of the season will be served on this occasion.

On last Monday a spark from a locomotive set fire to some wheat of Mrs. James Curtin, at Curtin, this county. The wheat was in shock and the greater portion of it was destroyed.

Today the Methodist Sunday school, of Bellefonte, will hold their annual picnic in the grove at Clintondale, along the Central railroad. It is a fine ground for a picnic with the very best quality of water.

On Friday afternoon the thermometer, at the front of our office, registered over 100 in the shade. It made us think of that future home where all bad people go. As usual, no printers will be in it.

RECENT DEATHS.

S. J. HERRING.

On Tuesday the venerable Samuel J. Herring died at his home, on the farm east of Penn Hall after a prolonged illness. For several years past Mr. Herring had been in declining health. His age was about 65 years. Interment takes place this Thursday morning at Heckmans cemetery.

Mr. Herring was one of Pennsylvania's best men, and that means a great deal. He was a man in the highest sense of the word. His integrity was respected by all who knew him. For many years he acted in the capacity of justice of the peace in Gregg twp. and in him the greatest confidence was always bestowed for his ability his integrity and high sense of right.

Intellectually Mr. Herring was above the average. He was of scholarly inclinations and was one of the best informed men on public questions. A constant student of history, with a brilliant memory, he was considered a most entertaining and instructive conversationalist. Mr. Herring was of a quiet, unassuming disposition so that only those who learned to know him could appreciate his worth.

MRS. REUBEN LUCAS.

Mrs. Reuben Lucas died suddenly at Howard last Thursday. She had been engaged in her house work and went out on the porch to sit down. Suddenly she fell over dead. Heart disease is supposed to be the cause of her death. The deceased is survived by her husband and five children—Thomas, of Chicago; William, of Dagus Mines; Clyde, Sallie and Mrs. William Confer of Howard. She was a sister of Mrs. O. T. Noble, of Lock Haven. Mrs. Lucas was a lady known for her many estimable qualities and her sudden death will be sincerely mourned by her large circle of acquaintances. The funeral took place Sunday morning.

MORTIMER W. JACKSON.

Mortimer W. Jackson, stepfather of Mrs. Wilbur F. Reeder, of this place, died at his residence in Berwick, on Wednesday morning of last week. He was 79 years of age and was one of the wealthy and influential citizens of that place. The deceased frequently visited friends at Bellefonte and was well known by many of our people.

MRS. W. H. KRAMER.

The wife of W. H. Kramer, formerly station agent at Coburn, died at Saegertown, Crawford county, Pa., on the 4th inst., after a week's confinement, having given birth to a son.

Important to the K. G. E.

On Thursday, September 6, a district convention of the Knights of the Golden Eagle will be held at Altoona. The district is composed of Blair, Huntingdon, Centre, Clearfield and Mifflin counties, and in it there are some seventy-five castles. There will be a parade in the morning and in the afternoon a business session will be held. In the evening there will be addresses by supreme and grand officers of the order.

He Burned the Lice.

Sunbury Item: Thursday morning a farmer named Strunk, living between Lewisburg and Mifflinburg, made a lot of rags and corncocks saturated with kerosene, to clean out his poultry house, which was infested with lice. He succeeded in burning the lice, and likewise his poultry house and several other out buildings, while only the greatest efforts of half the population of Mifflinburg prevented his large bank barn from going up in smoke.

Gone Crazy.

At the August term of court 1893, Wm. H. Young was convicted of larceny, for taking money from an Italian in Lyons store and concealed it in his mouth. He was sentenced to 1 year and 9 months in the Western Penitentiary. Since his confinement in that institution he has become crazy and will be removed to the Danville Insane Asylum. Young is said to be a former resident of Union township.

Williams Grove.

The annual meeting of Patrons of Husbandry, at Williams Grove, thirteen miles southwest of Harrisburg, will be opened August 27th to continue for one week. Secretary Thomas advertises that President Cleveland will be in attendance, if official duties will permit, which is rather uncertain. The Williams Grove exhibition in past years has proven a success—particularly for farmer Thomas.

After Free Delivery.

Postmaster W. Fisk Conrad was in Washington last week making an effort to secure free delivery for Tyone. During the past two years the receipts of that office have exceeded \$10,000 which brings them up to the limit. We hope our neighbors will be successful. Free delivery is a great advantage and our people would not like to be without it.

Valuable Property.

This coming Saturday the real estate of John M. Wagner, dec'd., at Milesburg, will be offered at public sale at the court house. It comprises a large farm, dwelling houses, flour and feed mill at Central City. This is an important sale and an excellent opportunity for an investment.

PROHIBITIONISTS MEET

IN THE COURT HOUSE ON TUESDAY.

County Ticket Nominated and Other Important Business Transacted—Resolutions Adopted.

On Tuesday morning the prohibition party held their county convention in the court house, at this place. The attendance was nothing like that of other party conventions, but taking into consideration the number of votes polled it was a large attendance of representatives of the party, with many spectators. Chairman Zeigler seemed to be the active spirit in all the proceedings. He takes great interest in the temperance cause and devotes much time and labor to it.

Before the convention was called to order blank nomination papers for state officers were opened for signatures. A quartette from Philipsburg, Messrs. J. B. Gill, R. A. Gill, Isaac Bower and Rev. N. O. Patterson, rendered some excellent selections. After prayer and music and the adoption of an order of business the convention organized with Rev. J. B. Soule, of Milesburg, chairman and Editor N. S. Bailey as secretary, and F. Potts Green, A. B. Smith, J. I. Thompson, A. J. Cook and Isaac Guss as committee on resolutions. The report of Chairman Zeigler was next, and gave a detailed statement of what had been done, contributions and expenditures. According to his report the receipts for the past year were \$226.66, while the expenditures aggregated 293.26. In other words a condition confronted him, the treasury was in need of \$66.60. A strong appeal was made for funds and when the collection was taken up they had \$52.96.

Rev. G. W. Leisher, Edward K. Rhoads and J. W. Matern were appointed an auditing committee.

Judicial conferees chosen were C. H. Elise, of Milesburg; Samuel Shaeffer and C. C. Shuey, of Bellefonte. They were instructed for H. T. Ames of Williamsport, for Judge.

As Senatorial conferees J. W. Matern, C. C. Hess and Dr. Isaac Guss were appointed.

At this juncture the auditing committee reported the accounts of the county chairman as correct.

Rev. J. Zeigler was unanimously re-elected county chairman for the ensuing year. He was given the privilege to choose his own county committee. The following ticket was then put in nomination:

Jury commissioner, W. W. Bell. Associate Judge, Jacob Shuey, of College township.

Assembly, Thomas Young, of Philipsburg, and John Craig, of Julian.

The Senatorial conferees were instructed for Rev. J. B. Soule.

The committee on resolutions reported as follows:

RESOLUTIONS PASSED.

We, the prohibitionists of Centre county in convention assembled, this 24th day of July, 1894, declare:

1st. Recognizing the practice of total abstinence as the only safe rule for the individual are not assembled to attempt the impracticable folly of removing the evils of intemperance while by license and so called regulation we encourage drinking, but would cure the disease of intemperance by removing the cause by withdrawing the liquor traffic, which we regard as a gigantic monopoly, controlling legislation in its own interests and against the masses.

Resolved, That while we recognize the prohibition of the liquor traffic as our distinctive policy, we do not ignore any issue that demands consideration at our hands, believe that a party is strong enough to settle the liquor question, can be trusted to wisely act upon all other questions of government. Since both the old parties favor the license and traffic and revenue plan of dealing with the drink traffic, and so said plan is not a restriction but a protection to the business we believe no man, however good or temperate, can consistently accept office from or vote with these parties with a view of opposing the saloon.

We endorse as our platform the platforms of our state and National conventions held at Williamsport and Cincinnati respectively.

Large Gathering.

Last Saturday was a great day at Hecla Park. The occasion being a monster picnic under the auspices of the I. O. O. F., of Hubersburg. Hecla Park is an ideal picnic ground along the Central Railroad of Penna., about two miles west of Hubersburg. It is covered with heavy shade trees, with a beautiful stream of fresh mountain water coursing through the park. A large mill dam that furnishes power for Strunk's grist mill, is an especial attraction. This will give an opportunity for boating and bathing, and adds to the picturesqueness of the surroundings. A large dancing pavillion has been erected, also buildings for cooking and public convenience. Fresh water is piped from the stream to different points and limestone walks have been laid through the grove. All underbrush has been removed and rubbish cleaned up. These are only preliminary, the railroad company has leased the ground and intends to make elaborate improvements.

The parade at 11 a. m. was a success, being composed of several lodges, Sunday schools and accompanied by the Lock Haven and Zion bands. During the day these bands rendered some fine music. In the afternoon the crowd kept increasing. All the incoming trains were packed. It is estimated that at least three thousand people were in attendance.

Part of Turnpike Sold.

A part of the turnpike leading from Millheim to Nittany valley, as far as the top of the mountain above Madisonburg, has been sold to Elijah Burd, of Aaronsburg for \$6,000.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Issued During the Past Week—Taken From the Docket.

- Perry Faringner, Romola
Sallie Butler,
Charles Butler, Linden Hall
Lillian V. Fleisher, Tonesville
Henry Lucas, Boggs twp
Agnes Heisel, Tyrone
David Chambers, Clarence
Emma G. Gotwalt,
James F. Uzzle, Snow Shoe
Minnie Veidterfer, Moshannon

Band Tournament.

The Bellefonte band is arranging for a band tournament of all the bands in Centre and Clinton counties, to be held in Hecla Park, on the line of the Central Railroad of Penna., near Hubersburg, Thursday, Aug. 30th, 1894. One of the principal features will be a contest, for which the first prize will be a \$50 silver cornet, and the second prize a \$30 silver slide trombone. All bands are expected to be present whether contesting or not. Special trains will be arranged on the Lemont and College roads, returning in the evening. Persons coming to Bellefonte on the morning trains on the above roads, can make close connection for the Park, as trains will be running frequently during the day. The fare from Bellefonte to the Park and return will be 25 cents. An effort will be made to effect a permanent organization. Circulars, giving details, are being sent to each band in the district. Another pleasing feature of the day will be all the bands playing together at the same time. Think of three or four hundred musicians playing at the same time; the effect will be wonderful. For further particulars address, WM. T. MEYER, Musical Director Bellefonte Band.

Received a Call.

Rev. Robert Wolf, of Centre Hall, who graduated recently from the Gettysburg Theological Seminary, has received a call from the Lutheran church, at Eureka, Kansas, which he will likely accept, and will leave in about three weeks to take charge.



FOR CLOTHES.

THE PROCTOR & GAMBLE CO., CHICAGO.

Bellefonte Grain Market.

Table with 2 columns: Grain type and Price per bushel. Includes items like New wheat, Red wheat, Rye, Corn, Oats, Barley, Buckwheat, and Ground plaster.

PROVISIONS, GROCERIES & C. (As corrected weekly by Bauer & Co.)

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Apples, Cherries, Beans, Onions, Butter, Tallow, Country Shoulders, Sides, Hams, Hams sugar cured, Breakfast Bacon, Lard, Eggs, Potatoes, and Dried Sweet Corn.

GARMANS.

KEEP COOL..... THEY ARE HERE.

- Irish Lawn
Scotch Dimitys
Tella Vella Duch
Jaconette Duchesse
Dotted Muslin
Venetian Muslin
Bishop Lawn
Victoria Lawn
India Linen
Linen De Indias
Swiss Moll
Soft Moll
Nainsook
Long Cloths
Croquet Sets
Straw Seats
Window Screens
Mosquito Nets
Base Balls and Bats
GARMAN'S STORE.