

THE RACKET.

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

DO U KNO?

That we have a complete new line of the famous "Star and Crescent" Turkish towels and wash rags, for the same or less price than U can get 'em from the mill.

That we are closing out our fine assortment of dress goods, including the new Botany department. Specialties at prices below the new tariff gauge.

That U can take your choice of Curtis & Wheeler ladies fine shoes for a less price than we can buy 'em from the manufacturer.

That "The Racket rebuilding sale" offers U splendid values for U'r money in any department. We must make room for the carpenters, no matter what the cost.

G. R. SPIGLEMYER, SHERIFF.

LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

Five per cent. will be added to your taxes if not paid before Feb. 1st.

Last week a student was expelled from State College for engaging in hazing.

Dr. Dorworth and family expect to occupy their new residence on High street this week.

This is the kind of a winter your grand-daddy talked about. It is an old-fashioned stormer.

Professor Shortlidge, confined in the Norristown hospital, is improving and will soon be discharged.

The Harrisburg base ball club has signed Frank Mattern, the State College pitcher of the last two seasons.

A shooting affray occurred down at Aaronsburg this week, the details of which would make rather spicy reading.

Patronize a good cause by going to the Amateur Minstrels on next Tuesday evening—Benefit of the Undine Fire Co.

James Young, the tragedian, comes to Garman's opera house Friday evening, Feb. 22, as the attraction for Washington's birthday.

Nomination papers must be filed with the county commissioners at least eighteen days before the election. Remember this.

On Saturday evening over 120 votes were polled at the democratic caucus meeting, of the south ward. There was plenty of war paint abroad.

This Thursday evening Dr. Rolfe, representing the University Extension course, will lecture upon "Tennyson," at the Presbyterian chapel.

The icy condition of many of our sidewalks is such as to make them dangerous. Some of our people are very careless in this respect.

Powers, the High street shoe dealer, is closing out a portion of his stock at cut prices. Everything in this clearance sale must go, at any price. See his ad in another part of this paper.

The reformed church will hold a sociable this Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Moore, corner of Spring and Bishop streets. Everybody is invited to be present.

A musical convention is in progress in the Union church, Walker township. It will close on Saturday evening with a grand concert. It is under the direction of Prof. I. D. Gresh, of Milton, Pa.

About midnight, on Sunday, the fire alarm sounded for the north ward. A chimney flue in a house near the electric light plant burned out and no damage was done. The firemen responded promptly.

Mrs. Mary E., wife of Robert Hepburn Sr., died at their residence on Blanchard street on Friday night, at the advanced age of sixty years. The funeral occurred on Wednesday afternoon.

Last week Joseph Montgomery's horse was badly lacerated by running into a barb wire fence along Buffalo Run. These fences along driveways should be prohibited by law; they are a menace to lives and stock.

An exchange says it costs the people of the United States \$25,000,000 a year to be born, \$300,000,000 to be married, \$15,000,000 to be buried and \$500,000,000 a year to get drunk. What it costs to get sober has not yet been figured out.

Robt. F. Hunter has sold a large number of Yost typewriting machines in this section the past year. It is a good machine. The sale of one usually recommends another. It has many improvements over other machines.

A slighting party, composed of Mr. and Mrs. Will Cowdrick of Johnstown, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Showers and a number of others, all of Bellefonte, took a slide down the valley to the cozy home of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Kline on Tuesday evening.

JANUARY COURT.

IN FULL BLAST THIS WEEK. ATTENDANCE NOT LARGE.

The new Bench at work—List of Cases tried and verdicts—The Grand Jury.

The opening session of January court was by no means auspicious. When the bell in the tower rung for assembling very few were present.

Owing to the trains being delayed by the snow drifts very few people from a distance were present and many did not arrive until Tuesday.

The first business transacted before the regular session was when ex-Judge Furst arose and presented a petition. The entire forenoon was taken up in hearing motions and presenting petitions.

In the afternoon the court called the grand jury and appointed Hon. John H. Holt foreman, and in a brief address gave them their instructions.

The testimony of the prosecutrix was such as not to satisfy the jury; not guilty and county pay the costs.

Richard Coleman and Wm. Swarm, colored men, who were engaged in a fight and row at the house of Frank Borstell, colored, this place, came next.

Henry L. Barger of Snow Shop twp., charged with undue intimacy with Sarah Veihderfer, wife of Charles Veihderfer, whereby they became separated as man and wife. The defendant was found not guilty and county pay costs.

Tuesday evening a civil case of Ed. Chambers, Esq., vs R. G. Askey was taken up. Mr. Askey had engaged Chambers as one of his attorneys to present his petition for a liquor license to the court.

The following were brought before the Grand Jury and considered, in which they found

John Newberry, assault and battery, Pros. L. A. Haupt. A colored man arrested for being concerned in the railroad riot on a train near Philipsburg.

Richard Funk, f and b and adultery, case tried. Thos. Stiles, f and b. Salie Funk, pros.

Edward Gardner, larceny (case tried) George Clune, disturbing congregation of United Brethren at Philipsburg. Pros. Wm. Guisewite. Recognizance forfeited.

Henry L. Barger, causing separation and adultery. Case tried.

John Mowley, Jack Johnston, James Johnston, Geo. Reeves, Elijah Cook, Tapscoot, Wm. Beverly, A. Hosler, Chas. Hosler, Chas. Harvey, James Wheeler, Samuel Roach, Wm. Gasken, Wm. Walker, Walker Charles, Richard Coleman, Wm. Sevan, Samuel Betz, riot, unlawful assembly, assault and battery. Pros. L. A. Haupt. Were engaged in a riot on a passenger train near Philipsburg.

Chas. Weaver, f and b. Prox. Mame Robinson.

Richard Coleman and Wm. Swarm, aggravated assault and battery. Pros. Frank Borstell.

Wm. Witmer and James Witmer, obstructing public road in Benner township by building fence on it between Roopsburg and Marshals. Pros. township supervisors.

Richard Funk, assault and battery, Pros. O. Weston.

Abe Houser, f and b. Prox. Minnie Auman.

Edward Gardner, larceny of four turkeys, Christine Dietz, of Howard, prosecutrix. Verdict not guilty.

George Clune was tried for disturbing a Christmas meeting, United Brethren church, south Philipsburg. Found guilty and recommended to the mercy of the court.

Wednesday afternoon the gang of colored men charged with rioting on a train at Philipsburg were before court for trial.

BILLS IGNORED. George Reese and Edward Reasner, larceny of a brown dog. Pros. Henry McMurtrie. County pay costs.

GRAND JURY REPORT. To the Honorable, the Judges of the Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace

in and for the county of Centre. The Grand Inquest of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, inquiring for the county in all matters relating to the same do respectfully report: That we have acted upon 18 bills of indictment, and that 17 were found true bills and one was ignored. We beg leave to further report that we have visited and inspected the county buildings, and our observations prompt the following suggestions: At the county jail the roof needs repairing and the wood work repainting as it is in a very dilapidated condition.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

The attendance at court is quite large. There are a number of cases of typhoid fever at Lemont, Pa.

Sale bills printed at this office, give good satisfaction every time.

Bellefonte Minstrels at the opera house on Tuesday evening, Feb. 5th.

E. C. Deitz and H. C. Shuey, two of Howard's representative citizens, found time to interview us on Wednesday.

Robert Wells, of Zion, is selling a patent hame lock for horse collars that is the best thing out. A patent glove for polishing stoves is another novelty that will please the women.

On Sunday evening Mr. Kitson, a brother of E. Kitson, of this place, presided at the pipe organ in the Presbyterian church. He is a performer of more than ordinary ability.

Mrs. Elizabeth Harkens died at the home of her son-in-law, William Justice, in Coleville, on Tuesday, Jan. 22. Her age was 64 years. The funeral took place on Wednesday.

Mrs. Mary Gallagher, of Howard, died on Saturday, the 19th, at the extreme old age of 97 years. Six children survive her. The remains were buried in the Catholic cemetery, in Bellefonte.

The Bellefonte Board of Trade is considering a proposition for establishing a shirt factory at this place. The parties formerly were engaged in the business at Lewistown, Pa. If \$10,000 in stock is taken by local capital the project will be a sure go.

Of all the happy men we have seen for a long time, Chas. P. Hewes, Esq., is the happiest. A bright little boy called recently to delight the home and completes the pair. He seems more delighted over the event than winning an appeal before the supreme court.

On Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Robt. F. Hunter and baby started for a trip, by sleigh, to Lewistown. When near Centre Hill the snow drifts were so deep that they could not go through or well come back. They finally arrived at Commissioner Geo. L. Goodhart's, where Mr. Hunter left the wife and baby and he started home alone. It is interesting to hear them relate their adventures.

One Cent is a very small sum of money, but it will purchase and have delivered to you the Pittsburg Daily or Semi-Weekly Post, containing all the news of the world, illustrations of high character, short stories and columns of choice literature, fashions and much of interest to woman-kind. The Post is acknowledged to be the best market and financial paper published in Pittsburg. Terms—the Daily Post, 8 large pages every day, only \$3 a year, or 75 cents for three months. The Semi-Weekly Post, 8 large pages, Tuesdays and Fridays, \$1 a year, or 30 cents for three months. The Sunday Post, 20 large pages every Sunday, only \$2 per year. Send for specimen copies. Address, The Post, Pittsburg, Pa.

Lutheran Hymnal Revision. At the last session of the general synod of the Lutheran church, held in Canton, O., two years ago, two special committees were appointed, one to revise the hymns and the other the tunes of the Lutheran book of worship. The former committee has completed its work, and the latter is now in session in York, Pa. The committee is composed entirely of ministers.

Mr. B. M. Henderson, of Fillmore, was appointed chairman of the north precinct of Benner for the coming year. As that township was divided recently democrats should not forget that the regular voting place is at Hoy's school house for the north, and Knox's school house for the south precincts.

The Operatic Minstrels will give another entertainment on Tuesday evening, for the benefit of the Undine Fire company.

OPERATIC MINSTRELS.

On Friday evening the opera house was crowded to its utmost to hear the Bellefonte Amateur Operatic Minstrels. From the elaborate posters put out everybody was in a state of expectancy. When the curtain went up at about half past eight a storm of applause greeted the appearance of the burnt-cork artists. The stage setting was good. The first opening of the overture caught the audience and throughout the selections were much enjoyed and appreciated. The end men got off some rich hits and fetching jokes that appeared new and original.

Harry Rine with the baton, and Philip Garbrick with gun and flaming torch, did some fine work. George McMahon took the house by storm in his solo clog. It was the first time he ever appeared before an audience in such an effort. He was strongly encored. Harry Rine and Robt. Bradley gave the audience a treat in acrobatic tumbling. This was another feat warmly applauded.

Ben. M. Kettering in jugglery, equilibrium and drum imitations, evoked rounds of applause. Amos Mullen Parsons and his curly dog was quite a specialty. Hard Harris and Geo. Meek, in their character song, delighted the audience. The laughable farce "School," had several very good features in it, among which were the imperial quartette of Tyson, Harris, Woodcock and Waddle. Billy Rine gave some clever imitations. The farce was not up to the balance of the program and the impromptu work was a little too much for some.

The entertainment as a whole was the best the company ever gave and a very creditable effort. The boys are deserving of much credit.

On Tuesday evening the entertainment will be reproduced for the benefit of the Undine Fire Company of this place.

Opera House Attractions.

February 5th, the Bellefonte Minstrels expect to give another entertainment, for the benefit of the Undine Fire company.

February 7th, Thursday, Leacock, as Mephisto in Faust.

February 12th, the Dazzler will play a return date.

February 22nd, James Young, tragedian of Baltimore.

All of the above are good attractions and will be sure to give satisfaction to all.

Three Deaths.

Mrs. W. H. Raymond died at her home in Coleville, on Tuesday night, of consumption. The interment occurred on Thursday at 2 p. m. in the Union cemetery.

A ten year old daughter of H. Stover, died on Sunday morning. The interment occurred on Wednesday forenoon at Meyers cemetery.

An infant son of Calvin Lese, about one year old, died at Pleasant Gap on Saturday. The funeral occurred on Monday.

Several months ago Thomas Melvin, the Constable of the Fourteenth ward, Johnstown, skipped with about \$500 of Cambria county's money, which he had collected from the delinquent taxpayers. Saturday his wife received a letter from her husband, who is at his former home, in Bolton, England, in which money was enclosed to pay the expenses of his family to that place. Mr. Melvin in his letter says that he will never return to this country.

Wants a New County.

Representative Womelsdorf, of this county, it is said will introduce a bill in the legislature for the formation of a new county out of the bituminous coal district composed of parts of Centre, Clearfield and Blair, with Philipsburg as the county seat. The proposed division would make Clearfield and Centre more democratic and the new county would be republican.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Issued During the Past Week—Taken from the Docket.

Herbert L. Alkey, Boggs twp. Nora Ingram.

See Powers' shoe ad. on another page.

The new Brockerhoff building will be completed in a few days.

The Grand Jury disposed of business in prompt order this week.

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SNOW FLOWERS.

Where once were flowers gay Now lies the snow; The skies overhead are gay. Cold winds do blow; Across the trellised way Hang wreaths of white. As if, in merry play, The snow with light, Soft touches mocked the May. And on each stem, As 'twere, white roses lay.

TRAINS SNOWBOUND.

TRAVEL SUSPENDED ON MONDAY.

Railroads Blocked by Heavy Snow Drifts—County Roads Impassable—Continued Snow Falls.

We had a regular blizzard in some sections of the county the early part of the week. Last Friday night considerable snow fell and drifted. Saturday was cold with snow and very high winds that carried the white flakes in a storm that was blinding. The result was very heavy drifts on all roads running north or south and the filling up of many railroad cuts. Saturday afternoon was a very bad day to be out, and many persons had difficult work traveling.

The afternoon train on the Lewisburg railroad stuck in drifts and was late in getting in. The same trouble was experienced on the roads leading to State College, Snow Shoe and Mill Hall.

On Monday all the railroad lines were snow bound except the Bald Eagle valley which had no trouble. The worst drifts were on the Lewisburg line. The train going east stuck a short distance above Pleasant Gap. The train from Lewisburg stopped in the drifts at Centre Hall. A work train with two engines and sixty hands managed to pull through to Bellefonte late in the evening. Many persons from Pennsylvania were on their way to Bellefonte to attend court and were considerably inconvenienced. On Tuesday morning all trains were running on schedule time.

The country roads are badly drifted in all sections of the county, and travel for several days past in some parts has been difficult. We now have an unusual amount of snow on the ground and it seems that every day a few inches more are added.

Boro Nominations.

Saturday evening was a busy time for politicians in Bellefonte. Everybody seemed anxious about the result, especially of overseer of the poor and boro council, while there was an unusually smart fight on in the South ward over Justice of the Peace. The nominations resulted as follows:

Table with columns: Democratic, Office, Republican. Lists names for Boro, North Ward, and South Ward.

The democrats of the South and West wards nominated S. A. McQuiston for Justice of the Peace.

Very Complimentary.

Ira C. Mitchell Esq. addressed the temperance meeting last Sunday afternoon. His remarks were very entertaining and full of instruction. They evinced an extensive and critical knowledge of the Bible. "No man can come unto Me except the Father draw him," was his text. He emphasized the necessity of constant work and not apathy on the part of the Christian. In reference to the condemnation of man, he said that God does not condemn any man, but man's own work condemns him. God loves the sinner and provides for him a way of escape. His remarks were scholarly and full of thought. Mr. Mitchell is a gentleman of the very first talent and adorns the ministry as well as the law, both of which he pursues with great success.—Centre Magnet.

Postoffice Name Changed.

When the postoffice was established at Hecla, Pa., last year it was named Strunkton, after Isaac Strunk, the first post master and proprietor of the mill at that place. Mr. Strunk sold his property at that place and moved to Spring Mills. Persons living in that section did not like the name and sent in a petition to have it changed to "Mingle." The department complied with the request but added "ville" to it, making the name "Mingleville" for the post office at Hecla in Walker township.

Poor Accounts.

Isaac Miller, one of the boro poor overseers, has issued a call for all persons holding poor orders to return same immediately for settlement. Mr. Miller wants to find out just how much money the poor department has spent in the past year. The Bellefonte poor department has been in the hands of skinners long enough and it is gratifying to see that the public is turning to better men.

Measles at Pleasant Gap.

Pleasant Gap is suffering from an epidemic of measles at present. Over 20 cases are reported. That community has had more than its full share of afflictions the past winter.

A Mine Inspector Dead.

David H. Thomas, mine inspector of the Eighth bituminous coal district, died at his residence, at Philipsburg, on Monday night of Bright's disease, after an illness of a few days.

By paying your taxes before Friday of this week you can save 5 per cent.

STILL BUYING CHURCHES.

The United Evangelical Congregations Securing Places of Worship.

The church properties offered at public sale during the past three days by the Evangelical association of this conference, says the Williamsport Sun, were purchased for nominal sums by the United Evangelical church. Besides the churches bought by the new association in this city, as already told in the Sun, the following properties also passed into the hands of the United Evangelical church: Jersey Shore Junction church, Mount Pleasant, Friedens, Lock Haven, Light Street, Columbia circuit churches, Milton, Hughesville, Grover, Beach Flats, Mazzeppa, Dushore, Bellefonte, Ransom, Muncy Valley, Millheim, Coburn, Aaronsburg, Nanticoke, Warrenville, Foster, Zion and Loyalsockville. About one hundred properties yet remain to be sold.

A Pointed Pointer.

The Raftsmen's Journal says: A Clearfield parson was complimenting the tailor on some mending which he had done for him. In the course of the conversation he, however, incautiously observed: "When I want a good coat made I go to Philadelphia; they make them there." Before leaving the shop he inquired, "by the way, do you attend my church?" "No," replied the tailor, "when I want to hear a good sermon I go to Philadelphia; they preach them there." The above would fit some of our Bellefonte ministers admirably.

A Fine Present.

Last Thursday evening a Lutheran sociable was held at the residence of H. Y. Stitzer. During the evening A. A. Dale, Esq., interrupted the exercises and called upon the pastor, Rev. Hoshour, to stand up, and then in a few well chosen words presented him, in behalf of the congregation, with a valuable overcoat. The Rev. seemed to appreciate fully this kindly expression from the members of his congregation.

Eschertes Self Churches.

The Esber-Bowman faction of the Evangelical church, of Millheim, which only numbered four, have sold the church and parsonage to the Dubsites for \$500. The charges at Tusseyville, Linden Hall and Centre Hall will be purchased this week. There are only six Escherites in the three charges. The Aaronsburg church was sold for only \$170.

Special Inducements.

The borough of Howard will offer special inducements to any enterprise that will locate at that place.

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GARMAN'S STORE. NO BAITS OR * MOTH EATEN GOODS. HOLIDAY TRADE LARGEST IN OUR EXPERIENCE.

The why of the above is better goods for the same money than anywhere else. Beat those prices if you can and watch for brands. If in Butter Milk see that you get the genuine as we offer. If in a needle see that you get a SMITH RED PAPER. In a spool of cotton don't take an inferior quality. Coats and Clark, the two standards. Merchants shove others on you for the sake of the excess profit. GARMAN'S STORE.