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MATTINGS—We made early selections of the curious and cute people on the other side of the world. U can buy at the lowest prices ever known.

VANTINE SILKS,
Exclusively at The Racket, just a little the nicest and best for the money, suitable for waists and dresses. The draperies are as pretty as a dream.

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Dimities, Lappets, Linens and Latest Ideas at Racket prices.

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McKinley March.
The Centre Democrat is in receipt of a piano solo copy of the Great Press Prize Inaugural March composed by Band Master Joel B. Ettinger, it is entitled The Philadelphia Press Prize Inaugural March. This great march received the first prize in the Philadelphia Press prize competition open to all competitors. It was played with immense success by many of the best bands at the Inauguration of President McKinley, March 4th 1897, among them being the Marine of Washington, Municipal of Philadelphia, Ringgold, of Reading, and many others; as a two step it is unexcelled, being rhythmic and catchy. Prominent band masters and musical critics pronounce it one of the finest march movements ever composed, it has just issued from the printers for Band, Orchestra and Piano solo and Mandolin and Guitar, it can be purchased from any music dealer, or direct from the publisher.

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Your capes for \$3 are handsomer and better quality than I saw in other stores for \$6." These were the exact words of a lady who had been shopping elsewhere and bought her new Spring Cape from us. New Capes, \$1. up.

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A full line of new Carpets from 12 1-2c. up.

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Opening daily a new line of Men's, Youths' and Boys' Clothing; also shoes—Men's, Ladies' and Children's Shoes and Oxford Ties.

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HUNGRY REPUBLICANS.

The innumerable seekers after small offices now in Washington are not merely pathetic in prospective, but many of them are pathetic at present because of their innocence, simplicity and lack of chance of success, as well as lack of fitness for the positions they seek. Many of them have no valid claim to appointment except that they voted for McKinley and desire strongly to go abroad. They have no knowledge of the duties of a consul, few of them can speak the language of the country in which they wish to represent the United States. They are Republicans, they shouted for McKinley both before and after the St. Louis convention, they voted for him with vigor and emphasis.

Armed with documents, a large stock of hope and a small stock of money, they come on to Washington to get their appointments. Here they discovered that there were a dozen, 50, even a hundred applicants for the place in the consular service which they had picked out for themselves. Each applicant had at least a strong backing as their own.

It is hardly an exaggeration to say that for every consular place in the gift of the president there are now or will be before the entries close a hundred applicants. Altogether there are about 450 consulships, and for them under Cleveland's first administration there were upward of 30,000 applicants. Owing to the extension of the civil service rules, the rush for consulships now is greater than ever before, and it will not be surprising if 50,000 applications are filed at the state department before the last place is filled. If proper care is taken by Secretary Sherman and Major McKinley in selecting appointees for the various posts, it is altogether likely that they will obtain better men than as a rule could formerly be induced to serve. This is true because of the hard times and the small number of places of any kind that remain outside the classified service. Men who would heretofore not think of taking a consulship paying \$1,000 or \$1,500 salary, will be glad enough to get them now, because of their necessities or because they are bent on enjoying the supposed honor and social advantages of representing their government in a foreign land.

—A bicycle will be given away, at the Philadelphia Branch.

Prepare for Arbor Day.

Governor Hastings has fixed upon Friday, April 9, and Friday, April 23, as Arbor Days for this year.

In this proclamation issued Thursday evening the governor gives some interesting facts concerning the benefits growing out of the observance of Arbor Day. He says: The custom of annually fixing a day to be celebrated as Arbor Day has spread into every section of the country. The value of these celebrations has been abundantly manifest. In the state which claims the honor of having originated Arbor Day more than three hundred and fifty million trees were planted during the first five years.

—Special meeting of the Board of Trade to-night in regard to the shoe factory enterprise.

A Little too Far Ahead.

A good story is told of a prominent Jefferson county lumberman who recently got into financial straits and was sold out by the sheriff. The lumberman was an ardent Republican, and after his failure some friends of opposite political faith good naturedly chaffed him about the advance agent of prosperity, which ought to have averted the calamity. "Oh," replied the lumberman, in the drawing manner peculiar to him, "that—advance—agent—of—prosperity—is—all—right,—only—he's—too—d—d—far—ahead—of—the—show."

—Pure foods promote good health. That is why you should buy your principal groceries from Sechler & Co.

Complete Outfit.

At this season of the year farmers and others may be looking about for new outfit in the line of harness. Just where to find this and deal to the best advantage often is a serious question. The well known harnessemporium of James Schofield, in Bellefonte can about as well fill your wants as any place. Here you find a complete outfit in everything in the shape of harness, collars, bridles, whips, robes, blankets and such like. As to prices they can beat all.

There is a Glass of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called Grain-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over 1/4 as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15c. and 25c. per package. Try it. Ask for Grain-O.

The Miners are Aroused.

A Philipsburg dispatch says a rate of 35 cents a gross ton having been offered yesterday by one of the leading coal operators in the Beech Creek region, the miners met and refused the offer, and will issue a call for a mass meeting to be held near Philipsburg, and a convention of all the miners in Central Pennsylvania to be held at Clearfield March 28.

HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache. Easy to take, easy to operate. 25c.

BASKET BALL.

On last Saturday evening an interesting game of basket ball was played at State College with the Bucknell team of Lewisburg. Basket ball is an in-door game, slightly similar to foot ball. A round ball, about one foot in diameter is used. A square about 100 feet is lined off and at opposite sides of same a basket is placed about ten feet from the floor, against a screen. The object is to carry the ball to the opposing team's side or field and pitch it up in this basket. This may seem easy and simple, but it proves the opposite. It takes much practice to acquire any degree of proficiency. The ball dare not be carried over three paces before it touches the floor by bouncing.

It is a very lively contest, requires active running and dodging and passing. It is hard work but devoid the brutish rushing and tackling of foot ball and is fully as exciting. This was the first game seen by the writer and by many others from Bellefonte, who were in attendance. The game took place in the Armory and was witnessed by a large audience. The Bucknell team has the best record in the state and it was a delightful cheer when the game ended with a score of 10 to 7 in favor of State College.

We believe a game of basket ball in the Bellefonte Armory, between these two teams, would be largely patronized.

Foster's Predictions.

My last bulletin gave forecasts of the storm wave to cross the continent from the 24th to the 28th, and the next will reach the Pacific coast about the 29th, across the west of Rockies country by the close of the 30th, great central valleys 31st to April 2, eastern states April 3.

A warm wave will cross the west of the Rockies country about the 29, great central valleys 31st, eastern states April 2. A cold wave will cross the west of Rockies country about April 1, great central valleys on the 3rd, eastern states on the 5th.

A very warm period will occur between the 20th and 27th, and this may extend to the 31st, but probably will not. Then following this warm period, probably not far from the 29th, probably not till April 4, a cool wave will spread over the country, causing frosts in northern states that may do some damage.

This peculiar fact is not explained by orthodox scientists. The week ended March 27 will go to great extremes of temperature, but will average above normal.

The Fence Law.

The opinion handed down one day last week by Judge Savidge, of Sanbury, interpreting the fence law, is of interest to every farmer in the state. A woman had brought suit against a neighbor for damage to her corn by his cattle. Judge Savidge charged that the law formerly required a man to fence against his neighbor's cattle, but now, under the statute, every man must fence against his own cattle, and this he must do at all hazards, no matter if it takes a fence ten feet high. If one's cattle get out and do damage to his neighbor the owner of the cattle is liable for the damage done, unless it can be shown that the cattle were let out by a trespasser, in which case the party damaged would proceed against the wrong-doer.

To Revise the Ballot Law.

A bill was introduced in the legislature last week by Mr. Ford, of Allegheny, regulating the assistance to be permitted a voter in the preparation of his ballot. If any voter declares under oath to the judge of elections that he cannot read or other blindness or other disability he is unable to mark his ballot he shall be permitted by the judge to select one or two of the election officers to aid him in the preparation of his ballot.

—To cure a cough or cold, in one day, take Krumrine's Compound Syrup of Tar. If it fails to cure, money refunded.

X-Rays as a Fraud Detector.

In addition to its anatomical service the X-ray is coming into play as a fraud detector. It exposes the falsity of imitation gems mercilessly and infallibly, and is being widely used by German government chemists in detecting food adulterations, it showing unerringly the brick dust with which Cayenne pepper is primed, the sand in spices, chalk in flour, and exposing many other tricks of food adulterators.

Bush House Improvements.

The Bush House at this place is undergoing extensive repairs and improvements throughout. Landlord Daggett recently rented the hotel for another term of five years and intends to have it put in first class shape. Mr. S. H. Williams has a strong force of painters and paper hangers at work on the interior who are putting on some of the finest touches in that line.

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask your grocer to-day to show you a package of Grain-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as the adult. All who try it, like it. Grain-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. 1/4 the price of coffee. 15c. and 25c. per package. Sold by all grocers.

A JUDGE WHO FINED HIMSELF.

From the Baltimore Sun.

According to a dispatch in the New York Sun, the mayor of the town of Bowling Green, in the state of Ohio, had a peculiar duty to perform on Wednesday, and out of it has arisen a curious legal complication. The mayor it seems, is judge of the police court of the town. On Tuesday night he "celebrated," and, looking too intently upon the wine when it was red and the beer when it was amber, he became gloriously drunk. He was also disorderly, and a policeman arrested and "run him in." After spending the night in the cells with the ordinary drunks, he became as sober by the next morning as a judge should be, according to the proverb.

He opened the court as usual and disposed of cases with dispatch. The first charge was one the judge preferred against himself, namely drunkenness. He promptly found himself guilty and fined himself, \$5 and costs. Then the question would naturally arise whether he got drunk in the capacity of judge or as mayor or as a private individual. And if as the latter whether the person of the judge can be separated from the court. If not, he only went half way in punishing himself. In accusing the judge of drunkenness he was clearly in contempt and should have imposed an additional fine for that official offense, or have committed himself to jail until he purged himself of contempt. Along with the swelled head and the headache next morning, it is scarcely to be doubted that the court felt a decided contempt for itself.

The action of his honor in this case recalls the well known story that the late Judge Allen G. Thurman used to tell. He was defending a case on trial before an old country magistrate, whose contempt for law was only equalled by his ignorance. The squire was known to be interested in the case and determined to give a judgment in favor of the plaintiff at all hazards. The witnesses having failed to make out any kind of a case, the squire took the stand, remarking that he knew all about it and he was there to see justice done. His testimony established the claim to his own satisfaction. Then resuming his seat as judge, he asked Mr. Thurman if he had any testimony. After a hasty conference with a number of persons who were present, Judge Thurman put several of them on the stand and they testified, one after another, that they would not believe the squire on oath. The court listened gravely to it all and then said that the testimony of the witness was true, yet as a just judge, he was bound to decide the case upon the testimony before him. Only one of the witnesses of the plaintiff had established the claim. That one had done so completely, but the defendant had impeached his testimony by a number of respectable witnesses and the court was bound to say the witness had been so discredited that no court in the world would be justified in accepting his testimony as true. He, therefore, decided in favor of the defendant.

In both these cases the judges succeeded in distinguishing between their personal and official capacity as completely as the profane bishop, who when he swore, declared that he swore as an individual and not as a bishop.

The Phila. Branch has a fine display of neckwear in their front windows. The very latest styles are there.

—Do you send your printing out of town? Don't do it.

A Fast Disappearing Industry.

As a reminder of the departed glory of former days in certain sections of this county it is only necessary that not one log will be floated out of Clearfield creek this spring on its way to the lower markets. The writer remembers seasons when from 40,000,000 to 60,000,000 feet was considered not an unusual amount, but where were formerly vast tracts of virgin timber nothing remains but stumps and refuse to mark its habitat. But a few more seasons with a constant diminishing out put, and the reputation of the Susquehanna and the tributaries as one of the greatest lumber producing sections in the world will have departed forever.—Clearfield Republican.

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Trout Fry Scare.

Announcement is made by the Pennsylvania board of fish commissioners that they can receive no further applications for brook trout; they state that the applications for this species of fish now on hand are more than double the supply from the two hatcheries. The commission further authorize the statement that if their bills now before the legislature enacted, they will within two years, be able to supply nearly if not more than double the number of trout fry they can now, with scarcely an appreciable increase in expense.

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