

THE RACKET

No. 9 AND 11 CRIDER EXCHANGE, Bellefonte, Penn'a.

"For ways that are dark and tricks that are vain" the average store advertisement is peculiar. They tell in bold type of great bargains and then coolly quote prices that are everyday "figures" at the X roads store. Look out for 'em—they are thick as hops.

The Trade Winds Blew Our Way last week and we caught on to one case only (60 dozen.)

LADIES HOSE.

Nubian, absolutely Fast Black Dye, 40 gauge, 3 thread heel and toe. Seamless regular retail price 20cts. U can have 'em as long as they last at

12 CENTS PER PAIR.

The above is a "special," and simply shows U how and why we do a big business at our Hosiery Counter. The goods come to us straight from the manufactures in case lots for Men, Women and Children and are never matched for price in this City.

G. R. SPIGLEMYER, JR. SHEM SPIGLEMYER.

ROLL OF HONOR.

The following have paid subscriptions during the month of April. See that the date on your label, this week, corresponds:

- Andy Petzer, Milesburg.....Oct 98
- S H Shindle Milesburg.....April 97
- J M Baughman, Glenn Union.....July 97
- Elias Stover, Fiedler.....Feb 97
- James M Weaver, Woodward.....April 98
- H M Snyder, Pine Grove Mills.....April 98
- H C Noll, Pleasant Gap.....April 98
- J J Feidler, Feidler.....Jan 98
- W P Rishel, Howard.....Feb 98
- B Frankenberg, Millheim.....April 98
- Geo Frankenberg, Millheim.....April 98
- Isaac Stover, Zion.....April 98
- M. Evert, Coburn.....Nov 97
- F. A. Yearick, Madisonburg.....Feb 98
- S. Poorman, State College.....Feb 98
- James Duck, Penn Hall.....May 98
- J D Shuey, Stormstown.....Nov 97
- J W Garbrick, Bellefonte.....Jan 98
- J H Pickle, M D, Millersville.....May 97
- James B Horner, Colyer.....Nov 97
- Mrs. Nora M Dent, Dents Run.....April 98
- Wm Harter, Tylersville.....April 98
- H A Garner, Pine Grove Mills.....July 98
- Christian Robb, Blanchard.....Dec 97
- Emil Eungard, Penns Cave.....April 98
- Harvey Emerick, Iowa.....Jan 98
- D H Fye, Tyrone.....Sept 97
- Jacob Bortorf, Lemont.....Mar 98
- Geo F Miller, Pine Grove Mills.....Apr 98
- S E Noll, Bellefonte.....Apr 97
- Em'l Noll, Milesburg.....Dec 97
- J U Erhard, Warrenville, Ill.....May 98
- J Ebert, Spring Mills.....Jan 98
- Jas McCafferty, Bellefonte.....Nov 97
- Jas Simmonds, Bellefonte.....Apr 97
- D H Shook, Sober.....May 98
- J M Packer, Romola.....Mar 98
- J C Rossman, Penns Cave.....Jan 98
- A J Witmer Lemont.....Nov 97
- Newt Brumgart, Wolfs Store.....May 98
- M O Stover, Woodward.....May 98
- Wm Hingson, Woodward.....Aug 97
- Dr C S Musser, Aaronsburg.....Apr 98
- Dan Dreibeis, State College.....Jan 98
- Boston Gardner, Johnstonburg.....Feb 98
- John Braucht, Coburn.....May 98
- D Rossman, Pleasant Gap.....Jan 98
- Mamie Miller, Pine Grove Mills.....May 97
- C F Clevenstein, Dakota, Ill.....Nov 97
- H P Zerby, Nittany.....May 98
- E W Hockman, Freeport, Ill.....Feb 97
- John E Miller, Madisonburg.....Apr 98
- Wesley Breon, Peotone, Ill.....Apr 97
- J B Miller, Bellefonte.....Apr 97
- C J Finkle, Spring Mills.....Dec 97
- Orvis Williams, Port Matilda.....Nov 94
- F Tharp, Linden Hall.....May 98
- T F Kennedy, State College.....Oct 98
- Geo Greeninger, Flemington.....July 97
- W K Corl, State College.....Apr 98
- D M Neidigh, State College.....Feb 98
- F W Dunkle, Mingoville.....Dec 97
- Joseph L Gussallus, Beecreek Creek.....May 98
- Dan Immel, Spring Mills.....Apr 98
- J E Walker, Rebersburg.....Apr 98
- F F Jamison, Spring Mills.....May 98
- D B Geary, Coburn.....May 98
- N L Gill, Pleasant Gap.....Sept 95
- J I Wagner, Blanchard.....Apr 98
- Wm Hippy, Pine Glenn.....Jan 98
- Fred Meyer, Penn Hall.....Jan 98
- Wm Moyer, Loganton.....May 98
- J D Hoy, Pine Grove Mills.....May 98
- W David Krader, Spring Mills.....Apr 97
- Wm Hall, Snow Shoe.....Sept 97
- Ed K Rhoads, Bellefonte.....Aug 97
- Elias Smith Penn Hall.....Sept 97
- Frederick Houser, Houserville.....May 98
- A G Archey, Pine Grove Mills.....Jan 97
- J B Royer, Bellefonte.....May 98
- Thos Taylor, Fillmore.....Feb 98
- J K Johnston, Bellefonte.....Apr 98
- E M Shuey, Houserville.....Apr 98

There is a class 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. 15cts. and 25cts. per package. Try it. Ask for Grain-O.

Selling childrens all woolsuits at \$1.00. PHILAD. BRANCH.

ANOTHER FREE SCHOLARSHIP

For One Term in the Lock Haven State Normal.

AWARDED BY OUR READERS

The Centre Democrat Will Pay all Expenses for Tuition, Boarding, Room Rent, etc., for the Winter Term 1898—Given Away to Some Deserving Lady or Gentleman in Centre County.

THE CENTRE DEMOCRAT will pay all expenses, tuition, board, light, heat, washing and furnished room—for the Winter Term of 12 weeks in the Central State Normal, at Lock Haven, Pa., for some deserving young lady or gentleman, in Centre County. This will entitle the recipient to all the privileges of that institution.

This scholarship will be furnished free of cost, and the readers and patrons of the paper will be asked to award the same, by a popular vote.

Newspaper coupons printed in each issue, cut and properly addressed, will be used. They can be mailed or sent to this office, where they will be placed in a sealed ballot box, and counted by the judges, each week. These will not be counted if held more than 30 days.

PREMIUM COUPONS: Persons paying their subscriptions in advance can secure a premium coupon, at this office, which will entitle them to one vote for each month paid in advance, or 12 votes for one year. Any person sending in a NEW YEARLY cash subscription will be entitled to a Premium Coupon, equal to 15 votes; 6 months, 9 votes; 3 months, 4 votes. Premium coupons can be held until close of the contest. The premium coupon will only be issued at the time subscriptions are paid—if asked for afterwards same will be refused. Contestants will please note this.

No extra copies of this paper will be sold to any parties desiring to secure the coupons. The coupons must be taken from our regular edition only. If extra editions are published during time of contest, the coupon will appear only in those sent to regular subscribers. On Wednesday evening of each week, the ballot box will be opened by Messrs. Wm. T. Royer, the present Deputy Treasurer, of Centre county and W. Harrison Walker, Esq., and their count will be announced regularly in each issue. These two gentlemen are thoroughly reliable and will carefully count every vote cast. They also will be the only ones holding keys to the ballot box.

The first count will be made in our issue of May 6th, '97.

The above information is given in detail so that all may easily understand the rules observed in the count. It now remains for the patrons of the paper to make the award.

The Centre Democrat.

THURSDAY, MAY 6, 1897.



SCHOLARSHIP COUPON

Name: _____

Address: _____

Cut this out, fill in name of some deserving young lady or gentleman and send it to this office, where it will be counted. If held over thirty days will not be counted.

THE COUNT.

Violette Wolf, Centre Hall.....	201
Ida M. Showers, Zion.....	162
Belle Shaffer, Nittany.....	132
John DeLaney, Howard.....	32
Mamie Bechdel, Blanchard.....	29
LeRoy DeLong, Romola.....	12
Carolina V. Hoy, Benner Twp.....	8
Mary Rumberger, Hublersburg.....	6
Alice Ishler, Bellefonte.....	4
Irvin J. Packer, Romola.....	4
Francis Spear, Bellefonte.....	3
Lydia Scheffer, ".....	2
Newton Bailey, ".....	2
Edith Holter, ".....	1
Mayor Naginey, ".....	1
Isabella Jones, Milesburg.....	1

We hereby certify that the above is a correct statement of the number of votes cast in the Scholarship Contest up to date.

Wm. T. ROYER, W. H. WALKER.

Bellefonte, Pa. May 5, 1897.

The Best After Dinner Pill.

Hood's Pills aid digestion, prevent that feeling of fullness or distress and gently yet effectively assist in the assimilation and digestion of food. They do not gripe or pain and they do not weaken the body on the contrary they have a strengthening and stimulating effect. They rouse the liver, prevent sickness and cure sick headache. Hood's Pills are purely vegetable, perfectly harmless and may be used safely by delicate women and children.

The Gotham Hat—made of the finest selected stock, and the best dyes, that have stood the test for years. It is guaranteed to keep its color, sold by PHILADELPHIA BRANCH.

HUBLERSBURG ITEMS.

The heavy rains at the beginning of the week will keep the farmers back with planting corn, as it made the ground too wet to work in it.

DEATH:—The two-year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schilling died last Thursday. Funeral services were held on Saturday forenoon.

The effort to get a car load of corn in this valley for the starving people of India was successful; nearly everybody contributed towards it.

Miss Emma Bergstresser has returned from Phillipsburg, where she had been staying with her sister, Mrs. Rev. Bright, for sometime past.

MARRIED:—Jacob Weaver and Miss Emma Mowery were united in the bonds of matrimony last Tuesday evening by Rev. Kooz. The writer wishes them a long and happy married life.

Mrs. Joseph Kessinger returned, on Saturday, from a few week's visit to her daughter, Mrs. Rathman, of Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. F. Hoy were visiting in Lock Haven over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Snyder, of Millheim, were visiting at Wm. Losh's beginning of the week.

WHAT MOUNTAIN FIRE DID.

The Entire Seven Mountain District Ruined for Lumber Operations.

Last spring there was a disastrous fire that spread over the entire Seven Mountain region, destroying hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of timber along with some sawmills, lumbermen's cabins and miles of tramroads, no previous fire did as much harm as this one in our mountain region.

The mountains of this region number a score, are large and well-covered with timber previous to last spring. Now they are bare, a desert waste, here and there charred stems of what were once noble trees for the manufacture of lumber or prop timber. All the young timber has been burned to ashes down to the edges of the creeks, and what was not consumed remains as dead, dry rods.

Standing upon one mountain the eye had within its sweep a dozen others barren, dead, and no living vegetation. Back of these are other mountains clothed with the same shroud and gloom. What was once a feast of romantic beauty for the eye of the lover of Nature, is now an awful spectacle of naked rock and earth, with rare spots of living green to break the monotony of the havoc.

Thousands of acres are thus laid waste. Years of employment for lumbermen would have been afforded in this region, but for the devastated region—but the fire! the fire! perhaps the work, as usual, of the scoundrelly, mountain-firing end has done its work, save that it left unburned the cur that caused it—destroying not only great value but the romantic beauty of the Seven Mountains—Reporter.

DEATH OF AN OLD CITIZEN.

Mr. Joseph Daup Succumbs on Tuesday Morning After a Long Illness.

Potter township lost another highly respected and good citizen on Tuesday morning 27th, in the death of Mr. Joseph Daup, at his home near Potter Mills, after a long and lingering illness, at the age of 81 years, 1 month and 18 days.

Mr. Daup had been in bad health for some time and about ten weeks ago was compelled to take his bed which he was unable to leave until death relieved him. The interment was made in the cemetery at Egg Hill.

Mr. Daup was the father of six surviving children, one son and five daughters. His wife still survives him. The children are, Daniel Daup, near Potters Mills; Mrs. Elizabeth Zerby, of Sober, this county; Mrs. A. C. Ripka, of Centre Hill; Mrs. Sallie Ertle, of Coburn; Mrs. Ellen Heckman, of Spring Mills, and Mrs. Hettie Leister, of Potters Mills.

DEATH OF ANNIE H. GROVE.

Death came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Grove, of Buffalo Run, on Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. She was a good Christian and belonged to the United Brethren church for a number of years, of this place. Rev. Miller, of the United Brethren church, assisted by Rev. Hoshour, of the Lutheran church, officiating. She was 21 years, 3 months and 20 days old. She leaves to mourn her loss a father and mother, three sisters and three brothers which are as follows: Howard, of State College; William, of Coburn and John, of Buffalo Run; Alice Moyer, of Axemann; Susana Shearer, of — and Emma Minemeyer, of Coleville.

The pall bearers were Wm. B. Rerick, John Henderson, James Lutz, John Roan, W. Musser and Gray Hasting's.

"We watched her breathing through the day,

Her breathing soft and low, As in her breast the wave of life Kept heaving to and fro.

So silently we seemed to speak, So slowly move about, As we had lent her half our powers To eke her living out.

Our very hopes belied our fears, Our fears our hopes belied; We thought her dying when she slept, And sleeping when she died.

For when the time came, dim and sad, And ebb'd with early showers, Her quiet eyelids closed; she had Another time than ours." W. W. R.

Old Coin.

If you have any old U. S. coin from one cent to a \$50 gold piece you can realize a handsome premium by bringing same to room 39, in the Brockerhoff House, Bellefonte, on May 15th. If

WHAT A DOLLAR DID.

A RICH CYNIC RECEIVES AN OBJECT LESSON IN CHARITY.

He Saw For Himself "How the Other Half Lives" and Learned That All Who Ask For Help Are Not Humbugs—The Experience Made a New Man of Him.

One good woman, who has devoted much of her time for several years to the relief of distress among the very poor people of this city, succeeded in opening the eyes, and likewise the pocketbook, of a cynical rich man not many days ago. She solicited financial aid from him, and doubtless would have met with a brusque rebuff had it not been that her position in society commanded polite consideration. As it was, the rich man essayed to be patronizing and said: "My dear madam, I know that you try to do good among these poor people, but I can assure you that your efforts are practically wasted. They take your money and such clothing and food as you can give them and then chuckle over your gullibility."

"If I can induce a starving creature to chuckle, I shall consider the time and money well spent," replied the woman, with a mild tinge of reproof.

"Oh, well, I suppose that you are bound to keep on wasting your time," retorted the rich cynic. After a brief pause he continued, "If you will demonstrate to me that you can actually relieve distress with a dollar, I will give it to you just as often as you can demonstrate its usefulness in that direction."

"Will you come with me?" said the woman thus challenged. The rich man assented and accompanied his philanthropic caller to her coupe. Both entered the conveyance and were driven to the neighborhood of Eleventh avenue and Fiftieth street. The coupe stopped in front of an unsightly tenement. In silence the man followed his companion up two or three flights of stairs, and he soon was standing in a cheerless room about 12 feet square. The floor and the walls were absolutely barren, and there were not more than four pieces of furniture in sight. One was a small stove, in which a scant fire was burning.

A middle aged man lay helpless on a cot, and kneeling by him were a boy and a girl so raggedly clad that their white skin was visible through more than one rent. A few empty dishes and cooking utensils lying on the floor near the stove told their mute story of destitution.

The pathetic eagerness with which the three emaciated occupants of the room turned their glances upon the visitors touched a long dormant chord of the rich man's heart. He involuntarily thrust his fingers into his vest pocket, but his companion, laying a restraining hand upon his arm, advanced to the cot, and in a delicate and sympathetic manner questioned the sick man regarding himself and his children. She explained that their needs had been called to her attention only a few hours before. She soon ascertained that there was urgent need of nourishment, and, bidding her cynical friend to accompany her, she hastened to the nearest grocery.

From long experience the good woman knew just what to purchase for temporary relief in a case of this kind, and within a quarter of an hour a bulky basket was borne up to the desolate room by the grocer's boy. Speedily the fire in the little stove began to throw out comforting heat, and by and by the grateful odors of cooking were diffused. Then, with the assurance of another visit and more substantial aid, the dispensers of good cheer left the poor family to their unexpected enjoyment.

"Do you think that charity was well bestowed?" asked the woman, as the coupe bore them swiftly away from the tenement district.

"Yes, indeed, I do," replied the man, with a suspicious tremor in his voice.

"Well, there is a list of what I bought, together with the prices," continued the woman, handing a bit of paper to her companion. He took it and read:

25 pounds coal.....	.20
2 bundles kindling.....	.05
Half pound tea.....	.15
2 loaves bread.....	.08
2 pounds oatmeal.....	.08
2 pounds beef for stew.....	.14
Half pound sugar.....	.05
Gallon kerosene oil.....	.10
Measure potatoes.....	.25
1 quart milk.....	.04
Small bag salt.....	.02
1 box matches.....	.01
Total.....	\$1.00

Without a word the rich man took a dollar from his pocketbook and handed it to the good woman. The next day she received from him a check for one thousand times that amount.—New York Times.

One Trait of American Character.

There is one trait of our national character which foreigners can never comprehend, and that is our unshakable faith in our ability to "come out all right in the end." We stand idly and more or less indifferently by and allow a country to be pushed to the verge of a financial or political precipice under the impulse of some kind of popular craze or another, entirely confident that just before it slips over we can take hold of it and pull it back. We have done this again and again, and nothing seems to shake our faith in our ability to repeat the operation whenever occasion arises. It costs us enormously, not only in reputation, but also in money, and retards our growth and progress in a thousand ways, but nothing seems likely to cure us of the habit, unless it be a great national calamity due to our falling in some crisis to take alarm quickly enough.—Century.

London Bridge.

London bridge is constructed of granite and is considered among the finest specimens of bridge architecture. The present structure was commenced in 1824 and completed in seven years, at a cost of over \$250,000.

A Man's Knee.

At the reception given to Dr. John Watson in Syracuse two Scotchmen, in highland costume, presented themselves. As the day was cold, many of the other guests expressed the fear that they would suffer discomfort from their bare legs. Hearing this, one of the Scotchmen laughed and said: "Do you know that a man's knee is like a dog's nose? It is bound to be cold anyway. That is a fact, and swathing the knee in flannels and trousers doesn't make the body a bit warmer."

A Reflection on Her Age.

"That prim Miss Passay is mad enough to bite me."

"What's the matter?"

"Why, she has just joined the new society that believes that human impressions are mainly derived through the sense of smell."

"Well?"

"Well, I suggested that she was a scentenanarian."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The Canary islands have a peculiar plant known as the fountain tree, which contains receptacles for the collection of rain. Several gallons of water are often found in one of these natural pitchers.

The mosquitoes found in swamps and damp woods are generally more brilliantly colored than those varieties which frequent human habitations.

Peach Crop Not Damaged

The fruit growers seem to be well satisfied the peach crop has not been damaged by the recent cold weather. A peach orchard of 3,000 trees in the mountains north of Aaronsburg is in full blossom, and examination shows that no harm has been done by the late freeze.

Double Price.

When you can buy high grade, ready made clothing, like ours, it is a mistake to give your order to the tailor, where you must pay double price. Our spring line contains some very pretty patterns, finest we have shown for years.

PHILADELPHIA BRANCH.

Liver Ills

Like biliousness, dyspepsia, headache, constipation, sour stomach, indigestion are promptly cured by Hood's Pills. They do their work

Hood's Pills

Prepared by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass. The only Pill to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

TO DRESS WELL

AT A SMALL EXPENSE.



STOP AND THINK.

TO HAVE YOUR CLOTHING FIT

TO HAVE YOUR CLOTHING WELL MADE

TO HAVE YOUR CLOTHING LOOK STYLISH

TO BUY YOUR GOODS FULLY 25 PER CENT LESS THAN OTHERS ASK. GO TO

FAUBLES,

ALLEGHENY STREET,

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Your Money Back For The Asking.