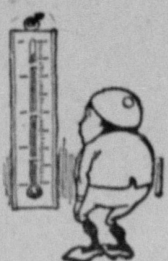


THE RACKET

THERE ARE THERMOMETERS for the weather but people who are looking for a Value-Meter watch "The Racket" advertisements.



FOR THIS WEEK. Just in time for school. The cutest collection of Tom O'Shanter's and Bicycle Caps for girls; prices 25 and 50 cents—Centre window.

75 PIECES TABLE OIL CLOTH Best quality, the forerunner of 500 pieces bought to supply our fall trade. We set the price for Oil Cloth in this neck of the woods.

864 Pair Misses Hose, Fast Black, sizes 6 to 9. Best value for 5 cts we ever saw.

Pastry Boards, a new item for us, price 25 cents.

G. R. SPIGELMYER, JR. SHEM SPIGELMYER.

LEGAL NOTICE

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE—Letters testamentary on the estate of Adam Vonada, dec'd, late of Walker township, were granted to the undersigned, all persons having claims against said estate are requested to present the same, and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment without delay.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE—Letters testamentary on the estate of Margaret Hoover, deceased, late of Philadelphia borough, were granted to the undersigned, all persons having claims against said estate are requested to present the same, and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment without delay.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Estate of Susan Loss, late of Walker township, deceased.

CAUTION NOTICE. Notice is hereby given to the public that at a constable's sale, on August 27, I purchased the following: Log truck, two-horse wagon, a young cattle, 2 horses, harness, plow, etc., the property of Nathan McCloskey, at Beech Creek, and all parties are notified not to meddle with the same.

BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY. John Howard Harris, President, College, with four courses of study leading to degrees: Academy, a preparatory school; Ladies Institute, a refined boarding school; Mixed School for both sexes; and Art Studio. For catalogue, address the Registrar, Wm. C. Gritzinger, Lewisburg, Pa.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE. The co-partnership heretofore existing between Geo. W. Jackson, F. W. Orider, and Daniel H. Hastings, under the firm name of Jackson, Orider & Hastings, doing business as bankers, in the borough of Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, has been this day dissolved by mutual consent, F. W. Orider retiring from said firm.

NORMAL SCHOLARSHIP. 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.

THE CENTRE DEMOCRAT. THURSDAY, SEPT. 2, 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 CENTRE. Violette Wolf, Centre Hall, 5530 Ida M. Showers, Zion, 4643

WHEATLEY CODES. The following is a list of the votes cast during the past week:—Ida Showers, 30; Violette Wolf, 470.

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. HARRISON WALKER. Bellefonte, Pa. Sept. 2, 1897.

CORRESPONDENTS DEPARTMENT

The News Gathered From Various Sections

HAPPENINGS IN CENTRE CO

What our Army of Alert Correspondents see and observe worthy of note—The local Happenings of every community will be gladly published—Send the news we will Publish it.

NITTANY ITEMS.

Mr. Harry McCaleb has gone to visit his sister, at Birmingham. Mr. George McCaslin, we were informed, is on his wedding tour.

The amount taken last Saturday a week, at the festival, was \$26.

Mr. Newton Kling and sister, of Jacksonville, spent Sunday with friends.

Some of our boys attended the festival, at Mackeyville, on last Saturday night.

Mr. Charles Grubb, of Milesburg, and lady, spent Monday visiting his uncle.

Mr. Lou Reber and family, of State College, are visiting at the home of Mr. J. W. Beck.

Rev. E. W. Koontz preached a very able sermon on Sunday, in the new church, to a large crowd.

There was a show in our town, last week, but it was not very well patronized. Some of the boys say it was good.

The Misses Winkleman, of this place, and Miss Anna Pines, of Lewisburg, spent Saturday and Sunday, visiting friends at Loganton.

Miss Lydia Minnick had been very sick the past week, but under the skillful treatment of Dr. S. S. McCormick, she is able to be around again.

Mr. George Goble had the misfortune of falling from the scaffold while thrashing one day last week and injured himself pretty badly. We hope he may soon be all right again.

Rev. W. K. Diehl did not preach on Sunday evening, on account of the missionary anniversary. The anniversary meeting was very good, especially the singing and speaking.

Mr. Diehl, of Howard, comes to our town quite frequently. There must be some attraction here for him. Its all right Dan, we like to have a Diehl around, once in a while.

On the 18th the Lutheran Sunday school, of Snydertown, picniced at Hecla Park, together with Salona, St. Paul and others. The day was beautiful; everybody seemed to enjoy themselves. The features of the day were ball playing, bicycle racing and boating.

Justice Harter has moved into rooms in the Holmes.

Building and moving notes about that thriving borough:

S. E. Condo has occupied the Jos. Hoy property on Allen street.

M. D. Snyder is erecting a house on the corner below Dr. Christ.

Oliver Shair's new house, on Allen street, is ready for the painters.

Geo. Jackson's new home, on College avenue, is ready for the plasterers.

Wilbur H. McConaughy has occupied the John F. Gray property on Allen street.

Masons are putting in the wall for Mr. Kremmerer's new house on College avenue.

The foundation of Mr. A. A. Miller's new house, on College avenue, is just completed.

The plasterers have finished on the J. Laird Holmes house and the mechanics are finishing up.

"Dr." Bert Meek is comfortably settled in his new home, on Allen street, and is busy grading the premises.

Jno. F. Gray having rented his house to Mr. McConaughy, has occupied the house next to his store room.

Oscar Smith lost a horse up the country and after hunting about two days found it between Water street and Spruce Creek.

Mr. Frank Crosthwaite, the genial passenger agent of the B. C. R. R., has become a resident of this place, having moved into Dr. Frears home on Beaver avenue.

The soldier boys, who attended the Buffalo encampment of the G. A. R., Dr. Christ, Henry Sowers, S. T. Lytle are home and report having had a fine time and are much pleased that this state was honored with the Grand Commander, Gen. J. P. S. Gobin, who will fill that high office with credit to himself and his state.

—You can't do better—THE CENTRE DEMOCRAT and the weekly Pittsburg Post both one year for \$1.50.

BOALSBURG ITEMS.

Mr. Edward Woomer is ill with typhoid fever.

Mrs. Bucker is just recovering from a severe attack of heart trouble.

Rev. Hall is a guest at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Sallie Keller.

Mr. Wm. Stuart was ill last week. We are glad to note that he recovered very quickly, without the aid of a M. D.

Mr. Edward Bailey, of Downs, Osborne county, Kansas, is visiting at the home of his uncle, Mr. Samuel H. Bailey.

Miss Mabel Baumgardner, of Pleasant Gap, was a welcome guest at the home of Mr. George Lonebarger, last week.

Rev. Lindaman, son and daughter, were guests at the home of Rev. G. W. Leisher, during the latter part of last week.

James Reed, of Shingletown, lost a valuable horse on last Thursday, and now must carry the mail from here to Shingletown on foot.

Croquet seems to be the principle game of our town. Why don't the "Goose street" club challenge the Main street club and see which is the better. The writer would risk money on the Main street club.

The CENTRE DEMOCRAT and the Cincinnati Inquire for \$1.50 a year.

COBURN HAPPENINGS.

W. H. Meyer, of Centre Hall, made a business trip to this place.

John Kishel and wife, of Farmers Mills, spent Sunday at this place.

John Hoffa, Jr., and wife were spending a few days at Lewisburg.

Jerry Kessler, of Rockford, Ill., arrived here from Buffalo, N. Y., on Friday morning.

Emanuel Brown, of Bellefonte, is transacting business in this section, the last two weeks.

Merchant Reuben Boyer, an enterprising business man, made a trip to McElhaten last week.

Mr. J. Kesler and Mrs. Peter Kesler, of Rebersburg, made a short visit at this place, on Sunday.

Adam Rote and Master Boyer, were to Laurelton, over Sunday, looking up friends and relatives.

Mrs. W. H. Meyer and daughter, of Centre Hall, paid their friends a visit on Saturday and Sunday.

H. G. Royer, of Bellwood, was a caller at the hospitable home of P. H. Stover and wife, on Friday and Saturday.

J. C. Meyer and family, of Bellefonte, arrived at Coburn Monday evening. They are visiting friends at Aaronsburg.

The Sunday School picnic, on Saturday, was a grand success. The day was pleasantly spent, all being in the right spirit for lots of fun.

James Kerstetter and wife and Mr. Showers and wife, of Pleasant Gap, made a visit to this place, on Sunday, as the guest of J. F. Garthoff and Jacob Kerstetter.

Since Wednesday morning we have a true and blue republican postmaster. Andrew Harter ex-postmaster's term of office expired on Tuesday evening. We can congratulate Mr. Harter for faithful service during the former administration for Uncle Sam, according to the good old democratic way.

COBURN NO. 2.

F. P. Vonada went to Howard on a business trip, last Monday.

Sallie Prim took in the picnic on last Saturday. Come again Sallie.

Theodore Hosterman shipped two car loads of fine white pine lumber.

The addition to the station, the way it looks, will not be added this summer.

Carpenters are busy at the new store building, which will be a boss store when one done.

Wesley Rote is at present nursing a very sore leg, which he received while working in the woods, at North Bend.

Rip says he just woke up in time for chicken and cake, at the picnic, while Mike had to go home and feast on bacon.

Mr. George Bower was seen at the picnic, which was a surprise to everybody present. Glad to see you out again, George.

The Sunday school picnic was well attended at Coburn last Saturday the 28th. There were three excellent addresses made by Revs. Wolf, Lohr and Brown. Everything was put up in apple-pie order, when the march went off; all had partners but a few. "Un doch hen sie nit gewoit, no sin sie nava hare ga droit."

Tom wishes his house was done. Lin wishes the preacher didn't say tobacco and hutzla.

Cal wishes he hadn't so far. Jim wishes he had more lumber.

Sam wishes he would be uncle Mike. Dan wishes his job was done.

Jack wishes for more eels. Der Eph winsht fur yunga hona.

De Barb far a junger monn. Und der Amos winsht are vare boss iver de welt.

REBERSBURG.

Mr. Willis Weber left for Venango county, last Friday.

Erastus Berket, of Chicago, is visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Susan Long, nee Susan Rogers, started for the West this week.

This is the week our boys go to college again and the hearts of the girls broken.

Prof. H. N. Conser, principal of the Sunbury High school, is visiting in our town.

Some of our Brushvalley people attended the campmeeting, in Sugarvalley, last Sunday.

Mr. Forest Ocker, of Union county, discovered himself to be the guest of Mr. Charlie Bierly last Sunday.

Mrs. Susan—nee Susan Winters, died, at York, Pa., and was buried on Monday at the same place.

The regular annual Harvest Services, of the Lutheran church, of Rebersburg, will be held next Sunday forenoon.

Mr. Henry Gilbert, Esq., one of Detroit's fast rising young lawyers, is just now visiting his parents and many fair friends in our valley.

Hon. Henry Meyer and son, Thomas Rogers and Charles Bierly were up to the National Encampment at Buffalo, N. Y. and report a big time.

The advance agent of prosperity winked at ex-Squire Corman and he, of course, took the hint, and put a porch half way around his house.

Five silver medals offered to all those who can tell the biggest lies on the colored campmeeting. The democratic gold bugs are also allowed to enter the contest.

Lately, to his great surprise, when arrived at Susquehanna University he found one of his Brushvalley girls in his pocket. This is a little "spoony" but a fact.

Mr. Charles Young, of Kansas, who was raised in our valley but who left twenty years ago, is visiting relatives here and elsewhere. Many did not know him.

Ira Small and wife, of Newton, Kansas, has been the guest of Sup't. Granley the last few days. He says the Professor furnishes most excellent meals which seem to agree very well.

Mr. Serene Harry, of Kramerville, who had been one of Sherman's soldiers, who marched through the South and to the Sea, will with the rest of the army travel over the old war route in a few weeks.

Smoker's Heart-Burn.

Heart-burn from excessive smoking, or from any other cause, is relieved by the first dose of No. 10, Dr. Humphrey's Specific for Dyspepsia-25c-all druggists.

NITTANY'S FAMOUS RESORT.

A Graphic Description of the Crowds at Hecla Park.

Hecla Park, as a place of amusement and recreation, is a success. It is unnecessary to dwell on the many good reasons for the populace of a community meeting occasionally in a sociable gathering there, to discuss the different doings of a prosperous and thrifty people, to give and get advice, gather new ideas, and more than all to associate and become thoroughly acquainted. What better plan can be devised to bring about just such associations, introductions, and business discussions, as an occasional assemblage similar to the one at Hecla on the 12th day of August.

All were happy, cheerful, and gay, and doubtless there were none who were sorry for their trouble, time or expense of that day's picnic. On every contentance was pictured happiness, and in every heart there was a beam of gladness. The conductors and trainmen were kept busy taking care of the crowds as they gathered from many different points. For the conductor it is no day of recreation. He works the punch harder than usual, is kept in a mental strain lest the careless individual meets with some accident, is much abused because the train is not on time, and he is, for the over-crowded condition of the coaches when it arrives at the depot, he is also worried beyond restraint by the repetition of the many foolish questions fired at him on such occasions. As usual the man who is a minute too late is there too, he hears the ringing of the bell, sees the moving train and rushes after it as if it was a matter of life or death to him, usually returns to the depot again to stop his dampened brow and be certain that he will be in time for the next train leaving for the picnic grounds.

As the time goes by and the hour for another train arrives the little depot platforms begin to fill with the throngs with only one purpose in mind, that is to get on the train, and as it approaches the cars are seen to be packed in a manner that would put to shame a box of sardines, for not only are the people standing up in the cars, but the steps, platforms, even some venturesome individuals climb on tops of the coaches, and every available inch of room is already occupied. However the mass of humanity makes a rush for the platform, only to be defeated, it then swerves back a few feet glaring wicked glances at the ones who are already in the seats, and all join in the acclamation that they have been imposed upon, that the company might have known better, that it is a shame, and with disappointment visible in every eye they scatter out to discuss the most advantageous way to get there, whether to drive or await until another train puts in appearance.

There are all sorts and conditions of people in the crowd, "Charley Boys," with their duck trousers, strawhats, canes, and the inevitable cigarette. They gamble promiscuously, say cute sayings, shoot small glances, tear from their hearts the train to the other as if some important mission depended on their rushes, and often are noticeably close to some fair muslin, clad, ruddy, cheeked maidens, who smile and are confident they alone are the recipients of all of the meanly glances from the "Charley Boys." Business men, sporting men, and men from every station of life will manage to be on hand on picnic day. The girls, the beaux, the old maids, widows, aunts, uncles, all alike share of the joys and pleasures of the day. Also mamma and papa, frequently baby too is heard in the throng, with its "coo-coo" and its "goo-goo" which mamma interprets as being "good" "good" and which goes to prove that baby, too, enjoys the days outing. Mamma says, "see the dear little thing laugh." "I knew we would have no trouble at all." Papa nods his head in the affirmative, but does not appear so ecstatic over it all as mamma. Perhaps he has a recollection of having his glasses pulled off his nose recently, perhaps he remembers of the back of his bald head being pounded with a large end of a tin rattle but a few minutes before, it may have been that he is minus a few of the longest hairs from his waxed moustache, or possibly, the infant is slobbering down the back of his best coat. However he does his duty and never quails under the ordeal. Grandma is with them, also a visiting cousin of questionable years from the city, and they all contribute to baby's aggravation by chucking it under the chin and saying it just looks like papa. Papa, who is now doing his level best to control his feelings, is receiving advice in the methods of holding the "little darling," as if he had not learned from experience how to do the midnight-colic twopost, through the early morning hours of the winter nights.

In the meantime grandma is having a fit because little Willie is too near the edge of the lake and is kicking dirt in the pool, which to grandma's way of looking at it will certainly result in a funeral, and this charms the boy all the more for he resists her threats and pays less attention to her explanatory terms of danger than ever. Finally, upon being told by the boatman that the water was not deep, grandma's fears are transferred from Willie's life to his clothes, for what toy ever got near the water without falling in and soiling his best suit of clothes.

Papa and mamma come to a settlement about the looks that each have cast towards the other and they give baby's keeping over to a nurse as they take a stroll towards the dancing floor, soon to be whirling through the prettiest of waltzes, calling back to memory the recent days when they were lovers. The dance over, they move around over the grounds gratifying whims of Willie and the baby, until the flying horses are reached, where they whirl themselves dizzy, until the merry-go-around is too mild for Willie, who discovers that the chances for breaking his neck are remote since the attendant will not permit him to stand up and ride circus fashion, and he wheedles papa into giving him some more nickles that he may see comfort in ice cream, backed up with a layer of peanuts.

Thus it is all through the day of picnic. In the morning may be seen the equine conveyances of all descriptions, intermingled with the sunbrowned bicyclist, pedestrian, and all manner of conveyances. The old, slow farm horse is on an equal with his high stepping brother from the livery, the old family spring wagon cuts just as large a swell as the oiled top carriage of the banker, and often, too, it is the family horse with the new buggy, also the family son with the new girl, whose attitude is satisfac-

tory to all within sight, yet there is something that proclaims, "Two souls with but a single thought, Two hearts that beat as one."

On the grounds, strolling whither the will dictates, meeting old acquaintances and friends, shaking hands, joking, swapping yarns with companions of schooldays, accepting sundry invitations to lunch off cold chicken, and at last, dinner over then, you are prepared for the fun. Diversified amusements innumerable abound. Any one not finding amusement in shooting, racing, swinging, dancing, rowing, music, base ball and all the entertainments to be found at the park, upon application to the management, will be provided with transportation to their home again. Benches are distributed at available distances through the grove for the accommodation of the weary, and the couple who desire their little verse to themselves, also, have not been forgotten by the management. Barrels of pure water are to be found where the thirsty individual may drink to the health of the ones who are at home, and even, in addition to this, there is a large tank with tin cups attached thereto, wherever the patrons of the grove will find a supply of the healthiest of drinks, and free as the mountain air and sunshine.

As the evening draws near and the day is on the wane the lunch baskets are again hunted and the remnants of the dinner distributed. After such an afternoon of enjoyment and recreation, only can a cold lunch of chicken, jellies, and sandwiches be appreciated. 'Tis then that mistakes are overlooked, everybody in jolly mood, jokes are cracked at the expense of one another, the girls and boys tempting each other to partake of the inevitable pickle, which is sure to find its way into the lunch basket on picnic day. The feast over, the remnants of the few unbroken dishes stowed away, and the care and burden of the now empty basket saddled over to Papa, then the fun begins as the evening is ushered in. Some on their way to the train ready to depart for their homes, some off to the lake for one more ride in the boats, others attracted towards the dancing pavilion, while another portion of the immense crowd wanders aimlessly around through the woods finding pleasure in studying the faces and enjoying short talks with whom they chance to meet.

Big folks, little folks, young folks, and the kids are scattered promiscuously over the grounds. The latter, as a general rule, are much in evidence about the time of the departure of the trains and insist on playing tag across the track as the engine rumbles toward the depot platform, much to the aggravation of the engineer as he rings the bell and wishes for a law to forbid young America being let loose on the day of excursions. The train comes to a standstill, but even before this the steps are alive with the swarming, venturesome youths, who have climbed aboard, not so much for the reason of securing a seat in the coach as for the reason of doing some feat a little more dangerous than an associate.

Everybody help themselves is the silent invitation in all hearts, and the struggle for position would do justice to a college

football team. Respect no ones feelings is the motto, even baby's "goo" "goo" is now overlooked, and Papa becomes separated from Mamma in the rush, and when the "tackle" is over and she sees him perched down in the corner of the car by the side of the strawberry blonde, calm and contented, and with an air of satisfaction, light the end of a cigar, Mamma then has visions of design and a cloud passes over her sweet face as her memory reverts back to the days, when nothing but the shining teeth of the pug-nosed dog in the front yard would prevent him from reaching her side. The sound of the whistle sounds the alarm "Home Again," and with an air of content and just a tinge of weariness, all alight to go in their various directions all the better and wiser for the day at Hecla.

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious. ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure. ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

Patrons Picnic Exhibition. The 24th Annual Encampment and exhibition, at Grange Park, Centre Hall, September 13th to 18th promises to be the largest gathering the Patrons ever held in this county. Already twice the number of exhibitors have made application for space that attended any previous gathering, covering every line of farm machinery and farm implements. The stock exhibit also promises to exceed that of former years, the committee being obliged to put up additional buildings. The camp promises to be equally large, arrangements are being made to put up 200 tents for the accommodation of those desiring to tent. Camp will open Saturday the 11th and the exhibition Monday the 13th. All the railroads will give a one-fair excursion rate during the picnic. Religious services will be conducted on Sunday, and probably the most interesting and instructive entertainments will be given in the Auditorium that were ever held upon the ground.

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