

A FEW HOLIDAY SUGGESTIONS.

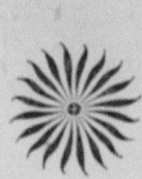
THE RACKET

Scene.—School room.
Teacher—Children attention, who can explain Johnnie's question? He says "that little girl is my sister, but I am not her brother." All were silent for a few minutes, when a bright little fellow held up his hand and said, I know.
Teacher—Well, what is it? "Johnnie Lied" was the answer.
Now this is the only possible explanation of the two letters, claimed to be from "Santa Claus" to two stores in Bellefonte according to their ad's in last week's papers. There must be some mistake about it. We rather guess "Johnnie lied," and in cold type at that.

Kom and C The Racket now, it's fine as silk.
G. R. SPIGELMYER, JR.
SHEM SPIGELMYER.

China Hall

OUR STOCK OF CHINAWARE IS



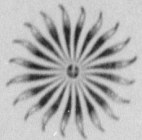
**FINER,
LARGER,
CHEAPER,
DAINTIER**

THAN EVER.

But to convince you that this is true, you will have to call and see for yourself. We buy personally at headquarters, we spend a week in New York looking up the newest and prettiest goods that are on the market, and we buy at such prices that we can compete with any city store, not only in price, but we can give you just as fine a selection in any of our lines as you will find anywhere. Our display of Rich Cut Glass, of Art Pottery, of Artistic Lamps, and of beautiful china of every description is worth a visit, and we are always glad to have you come.

COME EARLY
while the stock is at its best.
W. H. Wilkinson Estate,

LET US SUGGEST A GIFT



For your friends who use tobacco this Christmas. We always have the largest assortment to select from in this section of the state. Our Christmas line was never bigger. Here is a list of a few things we have:

KEY WEST CIGARS
for \$3.00 per box up. Our own

make Cigars \$1.10 per box up. Cheaper Cigars 74c. per box up. Genuine

FRENCH BRIAR PIPES

with amber mouthpiece, in cases—Plain, Silver and Gold Mounted for \$1.00 up. Merchaum Pipes, in cases \$4.00 up. Briar Pipes, without cases 10c. up. Match Boxes from 10c. up. Tobacco Pouches from 15c. up. We will cheerfully refund money or make any changes in your purchases. Come and look, you don't have to buy.

BUSH HOUSE BLOCK, BELLEFONTE, Pa. **A. J. CRUSE.**

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.

OAK HALL.

Dr. Roberts circulated in this place Tuesday.

Jno. Armstrong is working at Posters Mills, at present.

Tom Sellers shipped a car load of baled hay last week.

Rain, mud and butchering is the order of things in this place.

Mrs. May Houser, of Houserville, visited at Wm. Sellers, last week.

Mr. Henry resides, of Filmore, visited among friends of this place, Sunday.

F. C. Stoughton, of Lewisburg, transacted business in this place Monday.

Henry Potter, of Linden Hall, transacted business in this place recently.

C. J. Stamm has been on the sick list for some time, but is slowly improving.

Quite a number of teachers left for institute, from this place Monday morning.

We greatly enjoyed the party on last Thursday evening—also had a large time.

Mr. Charles Homan, one of Zion's pleasant young men, visited his lady friend Monday.

Mr. Ross Lowder expects to visit among friends in Mifflin county, during vacation.

Miss Kathryn Gilliland visited her friend, Miss Thompson, of Centre Furnace, Friday evening.

Mary Dale, who accepted a position as nurse in New York city, left for that place Saturday morning.

Messrs Scott Weiland and Leslie Schaffer, of Linden Hall, transacted business in this place, Monday. Call again gents.

One of Geo. Horner's young sons met with a very bad accident last Sunday. While engaged in doing his evening work about the barn, his little boy was about to enter the barn when he was struck in the forehead by a fork, in the hand of the father. The boy was badly injured; but at this writing is slowly improving.

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MINGOVILLE

Andy Dunkle spent a few days with his brother, J. T. Dunkle.

Henry Houser, of Bellefonte, tarried here a few hours on Sunday.

J. H. Dunkle made a business trip to the county seat, on Monday.

B. S. Miller, of Pleasant Gap, spent a few days at D. M. Dunkle's last week.

Harry Griffith, of Pleasant Gap, was through here on Sunday buying hiles.

Samuel Hinds has been appointed fish warden for the Nittany Rod & Gun Club.

THE MODEL SHOE STORE
Temple Court.



EVERYTHING IN THE SHOE LINE

A fine pair of Slippers, Gaiters, a new pair of shoes for the boy or girl, or the baby—just the thing for a Holiday Present. We have them in

Large Variety, Beautiful Designs

at prices that are the lowest.

A Lady in Attendance.
ALLEGHENY ST., BELLEFONTE, PA.

FOR HOLIDAY GOODS

—INCLUDING—

- FANCY GOODS,
- POCKET BOOKS,
- BOTTLES,
- BOOKS,
- TOYS, ETC.,

Don't fail to see

W. N. KURTZ & BRO.,
opp Brockerhoff House,
BELLEFONTE, - - - PA.

Naginey's Furniture Store

Are you Hunting for Something **USEFUL**... as well as **ORNAMENTAL?**

—HERE IT IS:—

A Reclining Chair, A Rocking Chair, Sewing Tables, Ladies' Desks, Hall Racks, Blacking Cases, Carpet Sweepers, Cabinets, Plush Couches, Side Boards, Parlor Tables, Taborettes, Book Cases, and many other articles suitable for the Holiday trade. In all grades and prices at **NAGINEY'S STORE,** ALLEGHENY STREET, BELLEFONTE, PA.

McGinley's Imperial Cigars

YOUR HUSBAND SMOKES AND YOU CAN'T STOP HIM.

Of course you can't, but you can please him!

HOW?

On Christmas morning you can make him happy by presenting him with a box of John McGinley's famous

IMPERIALS

hand-made cigars—made of the best tobacco, highly fragrant and a smokers delight.

Store on the Diamond.

Ceadar's Bakery

Wholesome, Toothsome, Delicious

Line of.....

Candies, Confectionery, Tropical Fruits, Sweet Meats,

for the Holiday trade. All goods are of the purest and best.

Prepared to sell at wholesale rates to Sunday schools and churches.

Ornamental Decorations for X-mas trees.

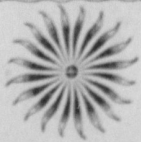
—All kinds of fine—

Cakes and Bread

Oysters and Ice Cream a specialty.

Ceadar's Bakery

HOLIDAY GIFTS



The Best of Everything for Christmas. A thoroughly **FIRST-CLASS** Stock and prices strictly fair

DIAMONDS.

WATCHES, JEWELRY,

SILVERWARE, ETC.

BEAUTIFUL GOODS THAT MEET ALL DEMANDS. **F. C. Richards Sons**
High St., BELLEFONTE, PA.

James Harris & Co
HARDWARE
Wholesale & Retail

POPULARITY IS THE ONLY TRUE INDEX OF MERIT
After a most successful term in the Legislature, James Schofield, the popular harnessmaker, has returned to Bellefonte and is again to be found at his old place of business on Spring street. He is again devoting his whole attention to his saddlery business and no detail escapes his attention; a practical workman, himself, he has made a point to put out nothing but the best of goods. An elegant line of blankets and robes will be offered to the trade at greatly reduced prices for the next thirty days. Everybody is respectfully invited to call and examine his stock, whether you buy or not. Prices will surprise you.
Spring Street, **JAMES SCHOFIELD.**

READ CAREFULLY.
If you want your Buildings insured, I have a full line of the very best Fire Insurance Co's., nothing but standard (no mutuals). I have constantly on file official Insurance Reports, giving standing of all companies doing business in the State of Pennsylvania. If you are not satisfied about your insurance, a letter to me, or call in person, will secure for you a copy of official reports without charge or expense to yourself. If you purpose taking out Life Insurance do not do so without first consulting me, as I do not confine my business strictly to one company, but do a general business and try in every case to secure the best for my Patrons. All Life Policies issued by me have Warranted Cash Values, Paid-up Values, and Extended Insurance, giving the assured liberty to withdraw at any time, with any of the above options. I also loan money upon homes, upon easy payments.
GRANT HOOVER,
1st Floor Criders Stone Building, Bellefonte, Pa.

THE COLD SNAP

will make you think of "Hot Water Bottles"—we have them at 75c, \$1, \$1.25. You can buy them as low as 50c, they are not cheap however—better get a good one, they are the cheapest. Have you a

THERMOMETER

we have them at prices ranging from 15c upwards, at

GREEN'S PHARMACY,
BUSH HOUSE BLOCK,
BELLEFONTE, - - - - PA

CLEVER THING TO DO;

If you have a Brother, or Sister, Father or Mother, Son or Daughter, Uncle or Aunt—of course you have—living in some distant part of the country you can give them an appropriate gift and one that will be appreciated by sending them **THE CENTRE DEMOCRAT** one year. Costs you only \$1 to do it, and will keep them informed during the year about happenings in Centre county. Would that 'not be the clever thing to do?

WELL! I GUESS YES!!

ED. C. ROWE

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN
FURNITURE, CARPETS, BABY CARRIAGES, REFRIGERATORS, HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS, OIL CLOTHS, WINDOW BLINDS, ETC.

I have the largest and most Complete Stock of above goods ever brought to Bellefonte. I am going to close this stock out at prices to suit the times. I have bought at prices that cannot be reached by anyone, and the purchaser will get the full benefit if he only gives me a chance. You will surely make a mistake if you buy anything in this line without first calling to

SEE MY GOODS.
Just drop in to see my stock at least.
No. 128 and 130 Bush Arcade.

POCKET BOOKS...

with

Sterling Silver Corners,

FIFTY CENTS

ZELLER'S

CRIDER'S EXCHANGE,
ALLEGHENY STREET.

TO THE HOLIDAY TRADE

JOSEPH'S

A call at my store will convince you that I am prepared to supply every demand in the line of fine

The Old Reliable Store.

Increased Stock, Increased Facilities.

BOOTS

AND SHOES LARGEST

Etc., etc. X-mas specialties. Highest Grade; Lowest Prices.

Line of Holiday Goods ever shown in Bellefonte and Centre county. You must see them.

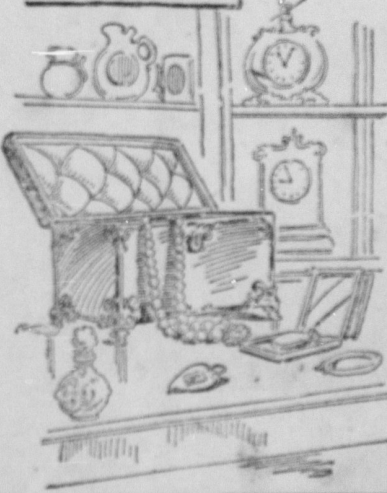
E. L. POWERS,

JOSEPH BROTHERS & CO.,

HIGH ST., - BELLEFONTE, PA.

ALLEGHENY ST. BELLEFONTE, PA.

APPROPRIATE HOLIDAY GIFTS



CHRISTMAS.

Fancies without number may be seen in our assortment of Jewelry. Rare bargains are offered in the most appropriate and pleasing presents. Many novelties have been added, and prices are lowest ever known. Come early before the Christmas rush sets in, and you will have a better opportunity to select.

F. P. BLAIR & CO.

CORNER BROCKERHOFF HOUSE.