

THE DISSOLUTION SALE AT THE RACKET

Is still in progress and as lively as the first day it began. Although the sale so far has been phenomenal THE BIG STOCK shows a few bare spots.

New Bargains are placed on the Counters daily as room is found to display 'em.

Nothing is reserved. Everything must be sold.

G. R. SPIGELMYER, JR. (SHEM SPIGELMYER)

RUNVILLE RIPPLINGS.

Boyd T. Kunes, John Furl, Misses Myrtle and Lula Shirk, Sundayed at Unionville.

Rev. Kelley has started a protracted meeting, in this place. We wish him much success.

Mrs. Lizzie Walker wears a broad smile, since her husband has returned from the woods.

Miss Sallie Hancock, of this place, is spending a few days with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, of Unionville.

Miss Eva Poorman has been in Sunbury learning the seamstress trade, but has returned to stay, as her health is not good enough to stand the sewing.

A load from this place, went up to the local institute, at Unionville, last Friday evening. One of the young men held a young lady on his lap who had the mumps and now he has got it in the neck.

Willis Witherite, who has been engaged in the express office at Osceola, for a short time, is now at home. We have been informed that he has come to stay. We judge that he has learned to know there is no place like home.

The republican caucus meeting was held in Central City last Saturday. Of course they did not have offices for all the office seekers and quite a breezy time is reported. The candidates are as far as learned: Jerry Heverly for supervisor, Mr. — Derr for overseer of the poor and Wm. Fisher for assessor. The democratic caucus will be held next Saturday, at the same place.

To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

AARONSBURG.

Miss Katie Schreffler, of Centre Hall, is visiting at Clayton Wyles.

Mrs. Lester Moyer, of Penn Hall, is circulating among her friends for a few days.

Wesley Adams, of Millfinburg, Sundayed at the residence of Thos. Hull, on North 2nd street.

The Misses Katie and Maggie Catherman, of Buffalo Run, were the guests of John Yarger a few days last week.

Thos. Weaver and John Gettig, returned home after attending a week's convention at Jacksonville. They say they will always remember the people of Jacksonville for their hospitality, which they showed toward them.

The remains of Dr. D. J. Shoemaker, of Washingtonville, Pa., were brought here on Thursday afternoon. He was buried in the Reformed cemetery. He leaves to mourn his loss a wife and little son, and his aged-widowed mother and two sisters Mrs. T. M. Stephenson, of Lock Haven; and Mrs. Rev. Curdin, of Sunbury; and only one brother Herbert, of Walsontown. The funeral services were held in the Reformed church on Thursday evening. Rev. P. W. Brown preached a very able sermon. He was assisted by Rev. George, of Rebersburg.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents. Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c. All druggists.

RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, Mr. Samuel Gramley, Esq., a member of the Board of Directors of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Centre county, for more than a quarter of a century, who by his honesty and integrity, by his inflexible adherence to right, by his faithful performance of duty, and zealous working for the best interests of the Company, has endeared himself to all the members of the Board and to the patrons of the Company generally, and now, in the declining years of his life, and at a meeting of the Board held the 20th day of December last, gave notice that he would no longer be a candidate for re-election. Therefore,

Resolved, That we, the members of said Board do sincerely regret to lose so valuable a member. That we highly appreciate the services rendered during his official capacity, and that we reluctantly receive this his ultimatum notice to retire from the Board.

That these resolutions be entered on the minutes of the board, published in the Centre Hall Reporter, and Centre Democrat, and a copy sent to the retiring member, Mr. Gramley.

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CORRESPONDENTS DEPARTMENT

The News Gathered From Various Sections HAPPENINGS IN CENTRE CO

MINGOVILLE.

J. S. Walkey expects to have a sale about the middle of February.

We have been having real spring weather, for the last week or more.

Joel Barner and wife, of near Bellefonte, spent Monday at John Smith's.

Noah Breon will move from the Gramley farm to the William Miller farm south of Valentine's furnace in the spring.

Mr. Wendie Bartholomew and sister, Rena, of Nittany, were pleasant callers at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Zook.

The Zimmerman Brothers have again resumed operation, after a few days off, on account of a dispute about a tract of land they have been operating on.

Lewis Deitrich and wife gave a birthday party in behalf of their oldest daughter, Gerie, on Wednesday evening, of last week. There were quite a number present and all had a good time.

The Central Railroad of Pa., have built an ice slide, from the large dam down to the siding, so they can load ice very speedily. They have not cut any ice yet as it has not been thick enough. Yet it seems as though we need zero weather to harvest ice successfully.

Adam Yocum, while out fox hunting, one day last week, killed a large bear. He killed it while it slept. He was following a fox, and walked right on to old Bruin. It dressed 170 pounds. He sold it to a meat market in Lock Haven for \$20.00. It was a day of luck for him.

Edward Dunkle, the champion base ball pitcher, of Lock Haven, is circulating among friends in our community. He expects to go south about the 1st of March for training for this season's ball pitching. He has signed with the State league of Philadelphia, for \$350.00 per month.

Next Saturday afternoon, January 22, the democrats will hold their caucus for nominating candidates for three respective township offices, at the Hubbersburg school room. The whole township will meet there as they have before. Let every democrat turn out and take an active part as all good citizens should.

A new industry was put in operation last week. It is hunting and desecrating skunks. There has been quite a number killed and they are now busy rendering out the oil and curing the hides. We will not give the stockholders names in this issue, but if you have no cold in the head you can scent them after you get off the train at the Park.

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HOWARD EVENTS.

Renting and moving is the talk of the town.

Mr. Harry Allison moved back to Lamar, on Friday.

Mr. Stewart, of Tyrone, was a guest of Wm. Thomas, on Wednesday.

We are sorry to say that Dr. L. R. Hensly is not improving very fast.

Mr. Heaton, of Bellefonte, was in our town transacting business on Thursday.

Squire Noll, of Lock Haven, was visiting friends at this place, over Sunday.

Parties from Aaronsburg, purchased a first class engine from J. B. Wetzel, on Monday.

Mr. B. Polsen, formerly of this place, was shaking hands with his many friends over Sunday.

Two shirts and underwaives were taken from the line, at J. W. Mayes, on last Monday evening.

Mr. Ira Packer left for Pittsburg, on Friday, where he expects to have a medical examination.

Mrs. Katie Brown, of Mt. Eagle, and her sister Lizzie, made a short call at E. E. Dietz's on Monday.

Miss Mitty Lucas left for Milton, on Saturday, where she will spend a week or ten days among friends.

WANTED:—Fat hogs by the car-load. Jas. Diehl, our huckster, loaded 92 fat hogs one day the past week.

Mr. Ocker and family, of Madisonburg, were guests of his son-in-law, Wm. P. Rishel, on last Sunday.

Mr. Wm. Rossman has moved his shoe-maker shop, in the saddle shop, until our saddler, Mr. J. Packer, returns.

Mr. and Mrs. Valentine Smith, of Bellefonte, were guests of their daughter, Mrs. Sarah Piper, on Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stover, formerly of this place, now of Mackeyville, were shaking hands with friends at this place, the past week.

Mr. Irvin Reber and family, Mr. Mayes and wife, and D. T. Allison and family attended the funeral of Mrs. C. Allison, of Abdera.

S. H. Bennisson and wife, of Nittany, George Bennisson Campbell and wife, of Dubois, were pleasant callers at the home of Wm. Mayes, on Thursday.

Still one more house for rent or sale in our little town. First-class home, 1/2 acre ground, necessary out buildings and good barn. Inquire of E. C. Dietz.

Mr. A. J. Gardner and A. W. Gardner were to Blanchard, on Friday, where their sister is lying very low. She seemed to have a sort of a paralytic stroke.

Dr. L. R. Hensly is very sick at this writing. On Friday night his nose began bleeding and Dr. O. W. McEntire had to be called before he could get any relief.

Mr. Bierly, who had gone across the mountain to the funeral of his father-in-law a few weeks ago, where his wife took sick, was unable to return until last Wednesday.

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A BRIDGE OF FISH. EXTRAORDINARY INCIDENT OF THE ALASKAN SALMON SEASON.

Forced From the Main Stream into a Shallow Tributary, They Formed an Immovable Jam—One Man Crossed it With a Horse and Buggy.

Advices from the Fraser and Columbia rivers, as well as from Alaska, indicate that this will be the biggest salmon year within a quarter century.

The fish are running upstream literally in swarms; so close do they run, in fact, that a canoe paddled over the surface becomes an instrument of death, killing hundreds of salmon in its passage. In the upper tributaries of the Fraser the crush is tremendous, and the certain result will be the practical damming up of these narrow mountain torrents with solid masses of dead fish, says the Washington Star.

Dr. Tarleton H. Bean, director of the New York aquarium, who has won both fame and wide experience as a member of the United States fish commission, is authority for the following statement:

"It may confidently be asserted that British Columbia and Alaska will this year beat the record with their fish output. It is said that so tremendous is the influx of fish that hundreds are actually forced out of the water and into the boats.

"The fishermen—who are paid by the fish caught, regardless of weight, about six cents—number in their ranks English, Scotch crofters, Irish, French, Canadians, Scandinavian, Italians, Japanese and Indians. In spite of the small pay, it is possible in a year to make big money."

John A. Fraser, R. C. A., the well-known landscape painter, spent many years on his lam-see river, while preparing a series of views at the instance of the Canadian government. Asked concerning the fisheries, he said:

"To begin with, boat fishing does not exist for more than a few miles above the delta of the Fraser. Beyond that point all fishing is done from the shore by men, and sometimes, in exceptional years, with the aid of horses.

"The net used differs largely from the seines used in Alaska. I can compare it to nothing better than a huge hammock slung by both ends to a pole. Night is the time for fishing operations. The men arrange themselves over certain stretches of river. Below the delta line they cast their nets from boats with high, platformed sterns. Further up, the river being impassable on account of its fierce current and sunken rocks, they cast from the bank. A good man can catch hundreds daily. Two hundred fish at six cents a fish means \$12 a day; and that is no unusual wage in the season. Below the delta I have heard of \$100 being earned by two men in a single day—or, to be exact, in a single night.

"Nobody who has not been in the Northwest can have any notion of the awful inrush of salmon during a very big year, like the present. A single illustration from my personal knowledge may suffice. On one occasion I crossed a tributary of the Fraser river literally over a bridge made of salmon. The fish were dead and had begun to putrefy. Forced from the main stream into the tributary by the terrific legions of upgoing fish behind, they were driven into a long reach where the water grew shallow and the rocky banks very narrow. Here they became an absolute wall, a jam, like the Brooklyn bridge years ago. Not a fish could move forward or backward, and, thus imprisoned, a in a vise, and without water, the died by hundreds, under the scorching sun.

"It was quite easy for my Indian driver to take his horse and buggy across this extraordinary natural bridge, while I felt woe on foot. Judging by the height of the river banks and the extent of the fish dam, I should say that there was an actual waste of fully 2,500 or 3,000 fish in that jam. Subsequently I was informed that such jams are by no means uncommon.

"Formerly the Indians did nearly all the canning. Now, however, the Chinese, who are at once cleaner, cheaper and more easily managed, do most of the work.

"The night fishing is very picturesque. You see the dark figures of the fishermen standing in bold relief against the moonlight. Then high in air whirls the big net, sweeping at the end of its iron-bow d pole. Deftly, silently almost, it cuts into the swift current of the Fraser. There is a splash and two of water, and then, with a spray, up comes the net, dank and dripping from the river, having described a rapid semicircle under water. Once more it is whirled across the moonlight, and this time keen eyes can see within its meshes the silver scales of the salt on, wriggling and struggling for freedom that is his no more. Then comes the quick blow of the killing club, and the dead fish is tossed into the crevice."

The work of canning, according to Mr. H. Tarleton Bean and Mr. Fraser, usually lasts about two months. A Chinese can clean about 1,000 fish in a day. Sometimes the canners turn out 75,000 cans in twenty-four hours.

Watermelon Cutting in Georgia. "It is worth a trip to Georgia," said Senator Clay, "to see a watermelon cutting. The farmers and their families gather from miles around, and thousands of melons—a line sometimes stretching for a quarter of a mile—are sacrificed upon the altar of a unique holiday. There are more melons cut and eaten on a single day than you would see in Washington in a month. Only we do not eat the melon down to the rind. We take out the juicy, seedless heart, and then, in our extravagance, we throw the rest away."

French Kisse Cuffs. A form of clothing known as knee ruffs is said to be used quite generally in France by all classes during the winter. It is a woolen cuff for the knees, much the same as in England is worn around the wrists.

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