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THE RACKET

Cold Weather.

Thermometer about zero, why not buy a pair of warm Wool Blankets; soft, warm, fleecy cotton; large size; white, gray and salmon, 69c. Gray, half wool and half cotton, full size, \$2.75. Super-fine All-wool (and when we say all wool it is or your money back) White Blankets, 72x84, silk bound edges, colored border, \$4.50.

Also a nice line of Comfortables from 75c. to \$6.75.

RACKET STORE CO.

Correspondents Department

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Zion.

Sleighing has been very good the past few weeks.

Miss Fannie Stein and Joel Evinger and Harry Rocky spent one evening of last week at the home of their friend Miss Corman playing "Finch."

On account of the bad weather the oyster supper was not well attended.

Miss Iantha Deitrich is at present employed at the home of Perry Genzel.

Mrs. Wm. Vonada fell and broke her arm.

Miss Lula Hoy returned home from Reno after a few weeks' visit with her brother.

Last Wednesday night a sled load gave a party at the home of Claud Johnson near Hubersburg. They spent the evening very pleasantly after which refreshments were served. The crowd was composed of the following persons: Fannie Stein, Cora Corman, Lillian Shaffer, Lizzie Shaffer, Belle Lutz, Mabel and Minnie Gerberich, Lulu Lesch, Fannie Shaffer, Pearl Hoy and Edna Decker, Joel Stover, John Stein, Harry Rocky, John Corman, Merl Showers, Hiram Grove, Chas. Shaffer, John Hoy, "Bunt" Clevenstine, Lloyd Johnson, Boyd Kreamer and Cleve McCaully.

Miss Fannie Shaffer, of Hubersburg, spent Sunday at her home, also attended the oyster supper, but sorry to say some were storm stayed.

We notice John C. is traveling his old path again.

Miss Belle Lutz spent the week at the home of her grandparents.

S. F. Dorman is having auction the coming week, with "Patsy" as auctioneer.

We noticed Elliot Mayes and his friend Miss Fannie Shaffer, of Hubersburg, passing through our town on Tuesday night enroute to Bellefonte to attend the theatre.

Some of our girls say they like peanuts very much.

—Men's \$3.00 shoes, now \$2.25. Yeager & Davis.

Aaronsburg.

Noah Corman and wife, of Rebersburg, spent one day last week with friends in town.

Sturgis Charles, of Bellefonte, visited his sister-in-law, Mrs. Sara Charles a few days.

Wm. Brickle, of Beech Creek, spent a few hours with his cousin, Mrs. Effie Weaver.

Miss Mary Gettig, of Spring Bank was entertained by her friend Jennie Hull during local institute.

A sled load of our young people were to Kahlers at Coburn one night last week; they report a very good time while there.

Sam. Gephart and wife, of Woodward, were the guests of Geo. Weaver's, on Saturday.

Miss Carrie Weaver has returned home after having been at Lewistown for a few months.

Sleighing is fine and all who can are making good use of it.

Emerson Meyer and daughter Sallie, of Green Burt, tarried at the residence of Wm. Guisewite during institute last week.

Misses Stover and McCorl, of Rebersburg, and Bertha Hosterman, of Woodward, were seen at Prof. Edgar Stover's on Saturday.

Miss Minnie Beaver, of Millheim, attended local institute; she is always welcomed by a host of friends, as this was her former home.

—Men's \$3.00 leather boots now \$2.00. Yeager & Davis.

Plum Grove.

Plum Grove can boast of having the largest and deepest snowdrifts in the valley; there are some places that drifts are from 6 to 8 feet in depth.

Jacob Sharer and wife were to Spring Mills one day last week.

C. W. Vining and wife, of Bellefonte, the former being a life insurance agent, spent Saturday afternoon at the home of F. A. Annan and took in life insurance.

Mrs. George Brian is visiting with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Zerby, of Georges-valley.

George Sharer spent Sunday afternoon at the home of W. H. Swartz.

Jerome Auman, wife and family spent Sunday evening very pleasantly with R. Gingerich and family.

Wm. Keller is sporting a brand new sleigh; now girls look out for a sleigh ride.

Mrs. M. L. Musser from near Zion is visiting with her sister Mrs. George Emerick.

—Boys' good all solid \$1.50 leather boots, now 99c. Yeager & Davis.

Unionville.

Miss Ella Murray, of Julian, who has been in ill health for a long time, was in town recently, and we are glad to note is much improved.

Dr. W. U. Irwin was confined to the house three or four days during the past week with muscular rheumatism, during the whole of which his professional services were constantly in demand.

A pleasant party of ten hungry people, chaperoned by Paul Sheffer, of Bellefonte, had their appetites appeased on chicken and waffles at the Peters home on last Friday evening.

A party of young people of Bush Hollow drove in to attend the protracted meeting in progress at this place and one of the party quietly stole away with horses and sled and went home leaving the rest of the party to get home as best they could. My informant blames the trick on Albert, whoever he is.

Al. Pletcher, the popular dealer in farm implements, of Nittany, made a business trip to our town last Saturday. While Al is strictly temperate as a rule he was certainly "full" when he was here. It was after he dined at the Peters hotel.

Willie Jones, the bright little nephew of Mrs. Frank Pratt, of Harrisburg, is visiting at the home of Squire Riley Pratt. Master Willie, whose father is a stage star, was sent over from London last September in company with a friend of his father, and was delivered in fine condition to the arms of the latter's sister, Mrs. Frank Pratt. This was a remarkable trip for a child little over two years of age.

John Eckert and Miss Mary Jane Wilson, two young sextogenarians, were happily married at the home of the latter at Bush Hollow on last Tuesday at 11:30 a. m. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. K. Munau, of the Free Methodist church. Only a few of their immediate friends were present. Three or four sled loads of thumpians and cowbell ringers left for the scene of festivities where they made the wedding ring with their dolorous music, while the mercury was hovering many degrees below zero.

Howard.

Miss Eliza Williams departed Sunday for an extended trip to Altoona, Tyrone, Clearfield and other places.

Mrs. Geo. Barrett returned home after a few weeks' visit with friends and relatives at Mill Hall and Salona.

We are glad to say that the smallpox patient is getting along as well as can be expected.

J. T. Lucas, one of the leading merchants of Moshannon, spent a few days with his son Clive.

Joseph D. Diehl made a business trip to Reno on Friday.

The Howard girls wondered where the clerk was when they went into Lucas' store last week. But later received the intelligence that Alida had gone to Scotia and was snowed in.

Alvie Weirick and wife, of Altoona, are visiting his parents at this place.

Mrs. Wm. Diehl spent a few days with Beech Creek friends.

Henry and Louis Williams, of Pittsburg, spent a few days with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Williams.

Mrs. Bine Moore, of Flemington, visited friends and relatives a few days last week at this place.

The night operator at this place, Tom Connigan, is at present nursing a very sore jaw caused by a tooth. We hope he may soon be able to resume his duties.

We were glad to see our old friend Jonathan Condo in this place last week.

Vinton Schenck is the guest of Clair Thompson at Snow Shoe.

Our sick are: J. Will Mayes, G. W. Tipton, David Thompson, Walter Wenzel, Mrs. Isaac Williams, Mrs. Hastings, Miss Mary Allison, Miss Sarah Weirick, Hubert Hamon.

It is said that the young men around Howard, take candy and peanuts to their lady friends, where some older men take coaloil and pop corn balls and sometimes a little cider.

Millheim.

Mrs. W. J. Alexander died on Sunday; she had her home with her son in law, E. B. McMullin.

Dame Lase, of Pine Creek, had business in town, Saturday.

Mrs. Howard Homan, of Williamsport, is visiting her son, Geo. Homan.

Wm. Myers, wife and sons, attended the Odd Fellows' banquet at Boalsburg last week.

Jno. D. Keen and wife returned from their visit at Altoona.

Mrs. H. H. Tomlinson, of Johnstown, is visiting her friends here.

Those who attended the funeral of Peter Reack at Altoona, from this place were: Sam. Weiser, Mrs. Henry Brown, W. H. Musser and wife.

Geo. Kister, of Aaronsburg, had business in town, Saturday.

Lambert Noll sold his home and land to A. A. Miller and went to Dewalt for another property.

Lott Walls was home to visit his mother who is laid up with rheumatism.

Rachel Hummel, of Lewisburg, is visiting her children at this place.

Oscar West moved from the pottery to the Musser property.

Gentzel & Beezer sold another car load of horses on Tuesday.

Mrs. Emma Buck, of Williamsport, visited at J. W. Stover's.

Ex sheriff Cronister, of Philipsburg, was visiting with W. F. Smith.

Tuesday morning 22 to 30 below zero at this place.

Centre Hall.

Thermometer down to near the 20's again on Tuesday morning hereabouts.

Frozen hydrants inconvenienced some folks.

Our former townboy, Clay Reesman, out at Pittsburg for a year or more, has been promoted from a freight to a passenger train, at fine wages. Success to you Clay.

The lovers of good sleighing are having their fill of it.

Dr. Emerick reports getting along finely in Freeport and improving in health.

—Men's \$3.50 shoes, now \$2.50. Yeager & Davis.

Blanchard.

One of the leading topics being discussed in this section is, the authority of teachers to refuse the admission of scholars into their schools who have not been vaccinated; this, as the writer understands it, is the law of Pennsylvania, and one that should be looked up by every teacher, director and parent in the state. Especially at this time as smallpox seems to be breaking out all over the state, in places where it would least be thought of. The matter should be brought up before the directors' association for discussion, and we would advise the association to petition the Legislature to make the act plainer and more pointed so that it could receive its proper construction by a person with an average education, in place of being so complicated that the best lawyers in our state differ on the right of teachers and board to enforce the act, when it is deemed advisable to do so, for the benefit of public health.

The roads of this township are very badly drifted.

The Peana. Fire Brick works at Beech Creek has been the cause of a number of people moving to this place in the last year and the population seems to be increasing faster than the building, and houses are already in great demand, and it is feared that a great many may be left. The people of this place little dreamed two years ago that this industry would benefit the place as much as it does. We have between fifty and sixty men and boys employed in mining and manufacturing of brick, at the average wages of \$1.40 per day making a monthly earning of over \$1750 or more than \$21,000 a year.

The Comedry Co. had their entertainment Saturday night which proved to be the most popular entertainment that has been here for many years.

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How about them tracks up town on Sunday morning?

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Business is slow on account of L. T. Kline's fetter being compelled to shut down his mill on account of the driving wheel freezing.

Madisonburg.

The thermometer registered 15 below zero Tuesday morning.

On account of the storm last Saturday night, the roads were drifted so, that the U. S. mail was unable to get to its destination Monday morning.

Mrs. W. E. Keller is on the sick list.

Lots of our people attended the horse sale at Millheim Tuesday.

T. F. Wise is hauling logs for Henry Vonada & Son.

B. E. Hazel is again able to be out.

H. S. Hishel quit the milk business; how about it Harry?

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Linden Hall.

Revival services are still in progress.

Freda Hess returned to her home last week, after spending a few weeks visiting friends in Osceola.

Bessie Horner spent Sunday at Lemont.

Lee Brooks and lady spent Sunday at Pleasant Gap.

Last Wednesday night a sled load of young folks drove to the home of George Seanson, and all reported a very good time.

Howard Miller and wife, of Rebersburg, visited Mrs. J. W. Keller, one day last week.

Edwin Carper and Wilfred Fry are at home at present.

Tuesday evening a few young folks from Boalsburg drove to the home of J. H. Ross, to spend the evening.

Lonella Ross went to Altoona to spend a few weeks visiting friends there.

Quite a crowd of people attended the Odd Fellows' banquet at Boalsburg last Thursday night.

Mingoville.

W. H. Orwig, of Millinburg, paid us a business trip last Wednesday.

Andy Cross, who is employed at Williamsburg, is home for a few weeks.

Mrs. Falmer Drees returned from a visit with friends in Snyder county.

Mrs. Showers, of Bellefonte, visited a few days last week at the home of Wm. Harnish.

Wm. Mauck, of Huston, was in our vicinity Saturday.

Mrs. G. C. Workman visited friends in Bellefonte last week.

Shuman, do you have your drums in readiness for a coming occasion?

Mrs. F. W. Shamp visited in Beech Creek over Sunday.

Mrs. Thad Cross is on the sick list.

Miss Jennie Longacre, accompanied by her school class from Bellefonte, enjoyed a fine supper at the home of John Workman last Friday.

Smithtown.

Peter Breen spent the holidays out in Altoona on business.

W. H. Musser went to Altoona Saturday to attend the funeral of Peter Reack.

Bianche Corman is home from Hickory Corner where she had been sewing.

Huri Stover traded horses and now has a draft horse.

W. F. Smith has a lot of sales listed on his almanac.

Harry Ream was home over the holidays with his parents and wife.

C. H. Pressier purchased a fine draft horse (color black).

Allen Alexander butchered the last lot of porkers last week.

J. H. Mayes purchased a horse from Samuel Ream.

Smullton.

Jasper Weaver, of Mill Hall, is visiting with his sister, Mrs. Lowell Bierly.

Emanuel Breen, of Penns valley, spent several days with his brother, Elias Breen.

Miss Lottie Hackenburg is spending several days with her brother, W. J. Hackenburg.

The continued cold weather is making water a scarce article in our neighborhood.

Tuesday morning the thermometer registered 30 below zero.

Cloyd Smull, of Williamsport is spending several days under the parental roof.

Our roads in some places are impassable on account of snow drifts.

—Ladies' \$2 patent kid shoes, now \$1.25. Yeager & Davis.

ADJOINING COUNTIES.

The ice on the river at Clearfield is sixteen inches thick.

The Lock Haven Knitting Company has begun to work on a factory that will employ four hundred hands.

As soon as the weather will permit a ten inch service pipe will be laid to convey natural gas from the Hyner field to Lock Haven.

It is rumored that the American Ax and Tool works, at Reedsville, Mifflin county, will resume operations in the near future.

The new Presbyterian church at Burnham, Mifflin county, was dedicated with interesting services on Sunday and practically free from debt.

The Raftsman's Journal says: If every fellow who is swearing about his license were fined under the Act of Assembly, there would be money enough in the coffers of Clearfield county to pay the county debt.

The liquor license application lists show that Mt. Carmel leads by a long lead. There are 96 retail and 13 wholesale applications from there, one saloon to every 136 persons, according to the 1900 census.

Judge Smith says the bars in Clearfield county, must not open earlier than 7 a. m. nor close later than 8 p. m. which is long between drinks and rather hard on the early risers who want an eye opener in the morning.

During the year ending November 1st, 1903, there were 5640 cases of smallpox and 503 deaths from this disease in Pennsylvania. The largest number occurred in Pittsburg, where there were 1,234 cases and 238 deaths.

Four murder trials are up for the February term of court, in Clearfield county, those of "Black Spot" the negro who murdered an Italian at DuBois, the woman from Coalport, Mrs. Ginter, and the two foreigners implicated in the death of a fellow workman at Smoke Run.

During the past year about 124 houses have been erected in Jersey Shore, exclusive of Oak Grove, and there is every indication that the number will be increased during 1904. At Oak Grove there is promise of plenty of building and the various companies will do their share.

The Altoona hospital is crowded to its fullest capacity, every bed and cot in the institution being occupied by sick and injured. The other night there were 61 patients in the house and three of them were compelled to pass the night in chairs. On account of the cold weather work on the new addition to the hospital is moving along slowly.

Humphrey Chilcote, aged 85 years, who left the Huntingdon county home Shirleysburg on November 5, and had not been seen since, was found last week in a hunter's shanty on Sandy ridge some miles from the home. He was in a sitting position and dead. He had placed his red handkerchief on a small stick and raised it above his cabin.

At the January meeting of the board of managers of the Methodist book rooms held Thursday at Harrisburg, Rev. Dr. S. C. Swallow was elected superintendent for the year beginning April 1, 1904, which makes the twelfth year. The report of Dr. Swallow showed an increase in the sales amounting to \$1,200.

The large general store of D. Ross & Co., at Woodland, was totally destroyed by fire Monday morning, the fire originating in a flue. A desperate effort was made to save the building, but, to no avail and the building was a frame one and burned so rapidly and fiercely that but few goods were taken out.

Fifty years as a hotel proprietor is the proud record of Peter Meitzler, of the Hotel Riverside, Lock Haven, and in celebration of his half century of work Mr. Meitzler planned a grand banquet for his friends January 20. He also is prepared for all emergencies, even death, and a number of years ago erected in his burial lot in Highland Cemetery a monument to himself, which, owing to its location on the highest point in the cemetery, can be seen for miles. The shaft stands eighteen feet high and is surmounted by the life sized figure of Mr. Meitzler. His life has been filled with adventure, and during the civil war he served with both the Confederate and Union armies.

PROTECTION AGAINST CATARRH

Hymel Prevents Colds and Cures Grip and Catarrh.

"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." A few breaths of Hymel through the neat pocket inhaler that comes with every outfit will check a cold or the grip at the start, and prevent serious and lasting illness.

In all catarrhal troubles and diseases of the air passages, Hymel has a positive action not possessed by any other medicine or treatment. It is pleasant and convenient to use; simply put 30 drops of Hymel in the inhaler and breathe it a few minutes, four times a day. In this way, every particle of air that enters the lungs is charged with a healing balsam that kills all catarrhal germs, soothes and allays the irritated mucous membrane, vitalizes the blood with ozone, and makes a permanent and complete cure.

A Hymel outfit costs only \$1, and contains an inhaler, medicine dropper and bottle of Hymel. The inhaler lasts a lifetime and when more Hymel is needed, extra bottles can be obtained for 50c.

S. Kramrine gives his personal guarantee with every Hymel outfit he sells to refund the money if it does not cure.

The agitation for a movement for the proper celebration of Clearfield county's 100th anniversary is being urged by prominent citizens of that county.

Three new cases of smallpox have developed at the home of the late Frank Blair, Newberry, who died last week from the disease. Mrs. Blair, her daughter Josephine aged 4 years, and son Joseph aged 5 years, are stricken with the disease.

Why He Wasn't Promoted.

He watched the clock.

He was always grumbling.

He was always behindhand.

His stock excuse was "I forgot."

He wasn't ready for the next step.

He did not put his heart in his work.

He learned nothing from his blunders.

He was content to be a second rate man.

He ruined his ability by half doing things.

He never dared to act on his own judgment.

He did not think it worth while to learn how.

Woman's Ills