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THE RACKET

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Correspondents' Department

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PORT MATILDA.

Walter Williams returned on Saturday evening from York, where he attended the grand castle lodge, Golden Eagles as a delegate from our lodge here.

S. S. Miles is spending a few days in Scranton in the interest of the Odd Fellows' Lodge.

The war which has been raging among our merchants has in part ceased as prices do not seem to be below cost now; most everybody seemed to lay in a large supply and take advantage of the low prices.

Cris Sharer has shipped 8 cars of telephone poles from here to Phillipsburg, he has several more cars to ship later on.

We are a little surprised to learn of the marriage today (Thursday) of Cal Weston and Mary Spotts; we will have to stand back Cal.

Rumor has another wedding slated next week down the road a little farther—how about it A?

A. W. Reese is fitting up his ware room, contemplating running a restaurant and ice cream parlor in the near future.

H. W. Raybert, Wilber Woodring and Geo. Woodring took in the execution at Bellefonte last week; Geo. says once is enough for him.

Any one desiring choice poultry can later secure them from C. M. Pringle, as he is going to raise some choice chickens.

Jim Marks carries the belt now; he caught a fish in the old dam this week 18 inches long, Jim was so surprised he quit right there and has not been near the dam since.

Miss Lizzie Pringle, of Altoona, spent Sunday at home with her parents.

Eli Cowher and wife, of Sandy Ridge, attended the funeral in school of his grandmother, Sunday.

The M. E. Sunday school is preparing for their children's day exercises.

Our town will be favored with a circus next week; boys save your pennies.

Mr. Knights, of Lock Haven, was in town on Monday looking up paper wood.

Marion Thompson, of Phillipsburg, Sundayed with his best in town; we were glad to see his smiling face.

MOSHANNON.

T. D. Weaver and Miss Mable Duck spent Sunday in Penns valley.

Charles McGowan is ill with typhoid fever.

Milford Martin, who has been on the sick list for several days is able to be out again.

Geo. Duck, of Grampian, was a pleasant caller in our town on Saturday.

Charles Weaver made a business trip to Bellefonte on Tuesday last.

Miss Minnie Culver has been visiting in Pine Glenn the past week.

Dan'l Flanigan, of Peale, spent Sunday in this place.

Boyd Lucas has returned home after spending several days' visit to his grandparents at Runville.

Michael Griffin and family have moved to town.

Simon Hazzard, Jackson Walker and Sam Frieze attended the execution on Tuesday.

Cyrus Sangres has gone to the bark woods to work.

J. A. Shangram, of Newberry, spent Monday with his mother-in-law Mrs. French.

Miss Lola French has returned after several weeks' visit to Munson.

Sick list: C. J. McGowan, James Quick, W. C. Barrow.

RUNVILLE.

Edward Gross, wife and little son, of Bellefonte, Sundayed at Mrs. Ellen Freil's.

Mrs. Mattie Walker was a Bellefonte visitor Monday.

Claude Lucas, wife and two children, of Butts Sta., visited at this place last week.

Mrs. Mary Rhue, who has been visiting her son Israel, at Morrisdale, returned home.

Miss Grace Bingham, who is employed at Bellefonte made a short call home Sunday.

James Lucas, Clayton Walker, Frank Lucas, Carl Poorman departed Monday for the bark woods.

Even the girl with a high instep can indulge in a flat-footed refusal.

UNIONVILLE.

Howard Peters has gone to Altoona where he will spend the summer with his sister, Mrs. Maggie Taylor.

Miss Maggie Rowan, of Tyrone, spent several days at the home of her parents.

Harry Griest and wife were recent visitors at the home of the former's parents.

Roy Hazel has gone to Homestead where he has secured employment for the summer in a large restaurant.

Mont Musser left Monday for Bellwood—got a good job there.

Howard Musser spent Sunday with his mother at this place.

Mrs. Susie Taylor, who spent the winter with her daughter Mrs. A. T. Leathers, at Washington, D. C., arrived home on Saturday looking the very picture of health.

Mrs. E. T. Irwin, daughter of A. B. Hall, has gone to Sheridanville, to join her husband, where he has furnished a cosy home for her reception. Her sister Julia accompanied her and will stay with her for some time. Now Emily, don't you get homesick.

Elwood Comley, son of R. T. Comley, proprietor of the Union township model farm, transacted business in town on Tuesday. It was funny to see the girls peep at him around the corners. Be careful Elwood or you're a goner.

Little Johnnie Straw, of Julian, had business in our city recently. Johnnie has lost a few pounds in weight. He doesn't weigh quite 320 lbs. now.

W. R. Potter has sold his pretty home to I. G. Alexander and has already given possession. The writer has not learned yet where he will locate later.

A fine baby arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Campbell who live "up the pike."

Quite a number of persons from town attended the surprise party given in honor of the birthday anniversary of Miss Sarah Eckley, on Friday. We have been informed that it was a grand success. It could not have been anything else for "doutcher know" the Hon. John A. Daley was there with about 99 other folks. When Mrs. Henry Baron and Miss Margaret Cambridge undertook to do anything they do it to a finish, sure.

Miss Annie and Robbie Craig, of Julian, were recent business visitors to our city. They are daughter and son of the Hon. Fillmore Craig. Two other of the prettiest and finest young ladies of Julian paid us a business visit during the past week. Guess who they were?

Miss Mary E. Griest left on last Friday for Phillipsburg; she intends to stay "over night." She was chaperoned by Mrs. Harry R. Greist.

Ray Parsons is sporting a new bicycle, and now all the boys in town are running him down, crying, coaxingly, "An gimme ride, Ninie."

E. E. Erhart who had his left leg broken twice at the same place, two years apart, was taken, on last Monday, to the Johnstown hospital, where he will have the injured leg amputated. He has suffered since the last fracture, which occurred at Orvis Peters' sale last March, much of the time, the most excruciating pain and he has taken this plan to find relief, by advice of his physician.

Jason Underwood has secured the agency for the sale of nursery stock from Stark Bro's nurseries, Louisiana, Mo. This is one of the oldest and most reliable nursery firms in the country. This stock being grown nearly the same latitude as our own, does not require acclimation as some others do. Jason is making a specialty of the Gold plum and King David apple. Their prices are low and stock reliable and what Jason tells you you can depend on implicitly.

Masters George and Harold Griest received a letter from a young man living at Patton, which was written in the Japanese language. They sent it to me for translation but "I'm stuck."

Geo. Deeters, who has so long and faithfully served the P. R. R. company as a track hand in P. J. McDonnell's corps, left on Tuesday for McKeesport where he will work at his trade, that of making blooms.

BELLEFONTE ITEMS.

DEAR EDITOR CENTRE DEMOCRAT:

I have been a subscriber to your paper for about fifteen years and have often wondered why there were no items in it marked "Bellefonte Items." All other towns furnished such items—even towns as small as Unionville have items each week. Now, with your permission, I will write you a few from this my native town. I may never write any more, unless you could employ me permanently; the main discourse will be about my own relations and family, and especially my wedding trip—I have a little romance to tell you.

Unionville is a very familiar town to me, as I was canvassing the town one evening selling Bell Ointment, a short time ago, I inquired for the hotel but a man by the name of "DOMINO" told me the hotel was closed during summer, as the only revenue derived there was from the cigarettes sold, and the boys all went away to work during summer months. I was compelled to go without supper. I had read last week in the Unionville items that they had three ice cream parlors in the town and you could get it day or night; so I went in search of some and soon found one, but here comes the romance: While having a dish of cream I was introduced to a Miss "Didsell" who had just finished eating her fourth dish of cream and two pounds of cake. I said to myself: "she is a good feeder, she must be a good worker." I just proposed right then and there and we were married next day, and sure enough she did—sell me. You know you can soon strike a match in Unionville, provided they are not "Bellefonte matches." Really, I would not have gotten married, but my children all wanted a mother.

We went to the station to start to Bellefonte, on our wedding trip, and inquired of a boy, standing on the platform in his bare feet with a fishing pole, if that was our train (pointing toward some coaches on a siding). "No, sir," he said, "that belongs to the P. R. R." Then my wife asked another boy where we would take the train, but he answered: "Better let it where it is or they will arrest you." Just then three men came up to us and asked if we were going to Bellefonte, and if we were, they wanted us to bring a quarter's worth of bread, a roll of leather, a roll of wire netting, two plow shares, half a bushel of clover seed, ten pounds of beefsteak and a quart (I suppose the quart was to measure the clover seed), and to stop at Richards and bring a clock up for them. But we told them we were not coming back, as we expected to live in Bellefonte forever, to gather in blissful happiness. Says I, "let us take the trolly," but my wife says, "No," and that settled it.

You know I married my cousin so she could not cast anything up to me about my relations. We decided to walk across Muncy mountains to Fillmore, and had a talk with your correspondent who told us the sick were getting better, and John expected to go to see his girl on Saturday evening. We then walked down the Buffalo Run Road, as my wife would not ride on the train because she was afraid she would up set it. Near Hunter's park we saw about five hundred men in automobiles pass. I asked a farmer what funeral that was, and he told me it was some of the insurance agents that lived in Bellefonte. We then passed another lot of men in carriages, I think there were about four hundred, and I stopped and asked an old man who was tying up his harness with binder-twine who they were. He told us he thought they were dentists from Bellefonte (he must have known we lived here.) I told him they must be doctors as there were not that many dentists in Bellefonte. Well, dear Editor, we passed Eggtown and heard a man breaking up housekeeping, at least show cases and furniture, then he moved up to jail Hill. We arrived home and are now very happy. My wife cuts the kindling and makes all the fires; and when I come home late I say, "don't you know me?" she says, "your breath smells familiar, you have been eating mince pies," and fires me out in the cold, cold world.

As I said before, we were from Unionville, and belong to the Union, in fact everything is Union here. It has been said that a man here refused to be hung unless the scaffold was built by Union carpenters. My wife says drunks are as plenty here as bear meat around the White House. We go to church on Sunday. Last Sunday the financial secretary made a public announcement that there was a statement printed showing who had paid to the church and how much, and every member should get one at the door. My wife jumped right up and went home so she could get a statement, to see how much our stinky neighbors had paid. When I got home, she told me we would have to pay up or go out of the dentist business. This town is a big town and some big fish are caught here, mostly steel and cotton, but a few suckers will be caught on show day. Our merchants all have passes for putting ugly pictures in their windows, but the country people will have to pay, that is why we moved to town. This is a good place to live, we get mail delivered free, goods delivered free—why my wife was presented with an empty hat box and she even asked the man to deliver it.

Bellefonte has more railroad superintendents than any town in the state. We do not expect to have the Curtin monument built until after the water pipes are all laid and the ditches all filled up and the bridge finished at the P. R. R. station, so it will hardly be built this summer.

My wife and I had an argument, I said women were getting weaker and wiser, she said it was not so, that women were getting stronger because twenty years ago, up at Unionville, when a woman got off the train the brakeman would carry a step to walk off the train, and help her beside, now she says a woman must step down three feet, carry her own baby and bundles beside, and if that ain't getting stronger I'd like to know.

Now Mr. Editor we have not been away on a trip since we were married and we just went down to the Central R. R. station, yesterday, to go to Hecla but when we got to the station we could not get tickets on account of a tall dude, who was at the window and this is the dialogue we heard between the dude and the ticket man:

Dude—How many miles to Philadel phia?

Ticket man—224.

D.—When do I leave?

T. M.—6:40.

D.—When do I get there?

T. M.—6:50 a. m.

D.—How long do I have in Billport?

T. M.—2 hours.

D.—Can I get a sleeper there.

T. M.—Yes for \$1.50.

PENN TWP.

Miss Sarah Condo, from Penn Hall, visited her friend Miss Fernie Rossman on Saturday and Sunday.

Harry Haines visited his brother, near Aaronsburg, Sunday.

Thomas Stover and John Decker were to Sugar valley on business Monday.

Mrs. Robert Young and two children spent the latter part of last week in Sugar valley visiting relatives.

L. E. Rossman and wife were to Brush valley Sunday evening to visit his sick father.

Ed. I. Musser, wife and son Glenn spent Sunday at the home of William A. Stover.

The farmers throughout this part of the county are through planting corn and potatoes; wheat and grass look fine.

Charles Rossman and Harry Stover were to Penn Hall Sunday on a pleasure trip.

H. F. McManaway, wife and daughter Helen, from Wolf's Store, and H. N. Meyer and wife spent Sunday at J. S. Meyer's.

The following were to Bellefonte on Tuesday of last week to witness the execution: Robert Young, Wilson Haines, Wm. Stover, Peter Brown, Harry Haines, Charles Rossman and Clayburn Brown.

OAK HALL.

Miss Mary Reish, of Boalsburg, spent a few days last week at the home of Edward Sellers.

Mrs. B. F. Homan accompanied by Mrs. Susie A. Peters attended the funeral of Thomas Decker, at State College, last Thursday.

Mrs. James Gilliland and Miss Maude Stone spent Tuesday in Bellefonte.

Lewis Brown shipped his household goods to White Deer last week where he expects to make his future home.

George Stover and wife, of Centre Hall, spent Saturday with their son Ira, at this place.

Mrs. Agnes Krebs, from Lemont, visited her sister, Mrs. D. B. Lowder.

Mrs. Anna Homan and brother Waldo visited at the home of their uncle, H. E. Homan, of Centre Hall, on Sunday.

W. Scott Weiland and wife, of Sunbury, visited his sister Mrs. O. S. Rishel on Saturday.

Harvey Kerns, of Lemont, transacted business in our vicinity on Monday.

LIVONIA.

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In the course of several weeks, if M. W. Adams, or W. E. Stover should drop in on you in order to satisfy the inner man, you want to be fully prepared, both having their old teeth blown out last week, and they expect "store teeth" in a week or ten days, and being blessed with exceptionally good appetites, you want to look out.

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Thos. N. Stover was to Beek Creek, last week.

Not in the writer's recollection was our community more shocked by a death than when the very sad news was brought to our burg on Wednesday morning, May 10th, of the sudden death of Miss Cecil Reitz, daughter of Lee Reitz. None who had the pleasure of getting intimately acquainted with Mr. Reitz and family in the few years it has been our pleasure of having them with us, will mention the Reitz name but with a feeling of the deepest sorrow, in having lost the family, and above all, under such sad circumstances. Mr. Reitz, who is a lumberman, having moved his goods on Monday to Hiner, Pa., and leaving his family behind to follow by train on Tuesday to meet him at Lock Haven, instead got a message to hurry back if he wanted to meet his daughter Cecil once more on earth. The bereaved father reached Adam Brungart's where Mr. Reitz had stopped with the family on account of Cecil's serious illness. At 12 o'clock Tuesday night when Cecil left to go to her brother and grandma in the better land, as she said to her mother just before her departure. Her age was 14 years. Loved by all who knew her; the family have the sympathy of all who knew them, in this hour of bereavement. She was buried on Saturday in Jefferson county, Mr. Reitz's former home.

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D.—When can I return?
 T. M.—9:15 a. m.
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