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E. P. IRVIN.

AARONSBURG.

Marion Stover was home to attend the funeral of Thos. Frank; she returned to State College again on Thursday.

The members of the Reformed sewing circle purchased new lights for the pulpit and for the choir corner.

E. R. Wolf, of Wolfs Store, was seen in town on Friday evening.

Mr. McDowell and Jennie Rupp attended church services at Coburn on Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Joey Harshbarger and Mrs. Mary Meyer and children, of Millheim, and Mrs. Wolf, of Wolfs Store, spent Monday at the home of Mrs. Effie Weaver.

Paul Swabb and family, of Spring Mills, Mrs. Ezra Bard, of Coburn, and James Swabb, of Tusseyville, were to visit their mother who has been on the sick list the past week.

The members of the Ev. church, put a new chandelier in their church, which is quite an improvement to the one that was in.

Geo. B. Stover and wife, of Millheim, spent one day last week at the home of John Bower who is past 91 years old.

PORT MATILDA.

Sleighting was fine in this section, most of the young people taking advantage of it.

Quite a number of our townsmen are attending court at the county seat this week.

Mrs. J. W. Williams and daughter, Margaret, visited Wilber Cowher at Tyrone, on Tuesday, who has been ill with dropsy and heart disease for some time.

W. F. Dermitt, of Gatesburg, called on his lady friend, Mary Griffin, on Sunday. Williams spent Monday in Bellefonte.

The missionary band held a meeting at the home of Mrs. J. A. Williams on Saturday.

Mary Bennett, who has been in Altoona for some time, is home suffering from a severe attack of quinsy.

Charley Williams, wife and family, of Kyrletown, spent Sunday with his father, J. P. Williams.

Zenovia Miles spent Saturday in Tyrone, also Mrs. M. G. Mains and baby.

RUNVILLE.

Mr. Peters, who moved here from Martha several weeks ago, had the misfortune to fall off a load of props and break his arm in two places.

Virgin Lucas was a Bellefonte visitor last week.

Jip Davis and wife, of Pitcairn, arrived at this place Sunday and will visit at John Lucas's.

Mike Furl, of Conemaugh, visited his parents, near this place.

Mrs. Myrtle Markley, after a pleasant visit with her parents, at this place, returned to Nanty Glo, where she is employed.

Uriah Housel and daughter, of Milesburg also Cyrus Lucas and wife were callers at Willis Poorman's on Sunday.

Mrs. James Snyder, of Wingate, spent Monday at E. Poorman's.

The merry sleigh bells are again heard. Mrs. J. A. Alexander and children visited her parents on Sunday.

GREGG TWP.

PENN HALL.

The farmers telephone has been completed and proves satisfactory.

A. M. Kramer was seen in our town on Tuesday.

S. I. Burrell and wife passed through here on Monday evening.

J. C. Condo and wife who had been seriously ill, we are glad to say are much better.

Thomas Decker has purchased the Coldron home at Spring Mills and will occupy the same by spring.

J. K. Kline spent Sunday at the home of R. B. Bartges.

Rev. Donat took dinner at the home of Jerry Albright, Sunday.

Mary Bartges has been appointed supply girl by the Bell Telephone; success to her.

—Mufflers made up—lined or unlined—squares, refusers—all colors separately boxed. Sim the Clothier.

CURTIN TWP.

PLEASANT VALLEY.

Mrs. Wm. Richner spent Thursday with her daughter, Mrs. John David.

Mrs. Katie Packer and son, Oscar, spent a part of last week at Jacob Emehiser's, near Runville.

Corra Confer, one of our charming young ladies, spelled Yarnell school down on Friday evening.

James Wensel has been quite busy the past week hauling coal.

Alice, the little daughter of Edw. and Eva Heaton, has been quite ill but is recovering.

Oscar Packer purchased a sleigh and he, with his lady friend Delpha Womer, are taking advantage of the fine sleighing.

Boys' extra high moose hide shoes, \$3.00, at Yeager's.

UNIONVILLE.

Miss Maggie Rowan, of Tyrone, visited her parents over Sunday.

John Holt has purchased the Union Hotel at this place.

Bernice Fredericks is still on the matrimonial market. Girls! Girls! Leap year is near its close.

Mrs. Marion Russell, with her bright little bairn, was a recent visitor at the home of Mrs. Brown, in Bellefonte.

Flora Brugger made a business trip to Pitsburg.

There will be an interesting literary entertainment at the grammar school on Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Clara Leathers, of Washington, D. C., is home on a two-week's visit to her mother, Mrs. Susie Taylor, who will accompany her to her home to spend the winter at the Capitol City.

We are glad to note that our good friend, B. F. Leathers, is convalescing and it is now hoped he will again be able to get around again.

Mr. Lambert has rented a blacksmith shop in Bellefonte, where he will make horse shoeing a specialty. He's a good one.

B. F. Peters, a Dix Run farmer, has purchased an automobile—a nice little red one. Frank being quite a genius, worked for more than a year in constructing one according to his own ingenious ideas, but after he had it completed, he discovered that it lacked power. He will try it again.

No use talking—after a person has read the Centre Democrat a year he can no more do without it than an inveterate tobacco chewer can do without his chaw.

Wm. T. Neiman is a regular reader of that paper and Billy likes it or he would not have renewed his subscription.

A very interesting revival meeting is in progress at the M. E. church, conducted by its pastor, the Rev. Dr. Piper. He has been assisted at various times by the Rev. C. C. Shney and Rev. Dr. J. B. Stine, of Bellefonte, and on Sunday night by the Presiding Elder Rev. Dr. Conner. We would caution the boys and young men, who should know better, who are in the habit of congregating outside of the church and keeping up loud and boisterous talking to the annoyance of those within, to desist from this nefarious habit before they find themselves within the toils of the law.

A HALF HOUR IN COURT.

The District Attorney announced: The next case, Your Honor is Com. vs. L. M. Swartzman, charge larceny also receiving stolen goods. "Call a jury" said His Honor. After a jury of "twelve good men tried and true" had been empaneled and qualified, the District Attorney presented the case to the jury: "Court please, gentlemen of the jury, it is with feelings of no extraordinary solicitude and making no commotionality that I undertake to prosecute this prisoner before your unapproachable Honors for juristic-prudential adjudication." Here the Court brought down his gavel and said "Willie, you must address the jury in the English language there are no foreigners on the jury" Willie proceeded "Here sits the prisoner charged with one of the most atrocious crimes of criminal that has ever been poured out of the Pandora box of wickedness. This case is from Howard; we shall show you gentlemen of the jury, that the defendant was seen lurking around the canning factory between the hours of 10 and 11 o'clock on the night of Sept. 20th, and that a nail keg filled with tomato pulp was standing outside of the factory, and that next morning the nail keg had evaporated, and further that a few days afterward a barrel with one of the chimies broken was found in the defendant's cellar filled with cider. After having shown these facts, we expect you to bring in verdict of guilty in the first degree." Ans. "Yes."

The first witness was Mr. Leatherman, the prosecutor. By District Attorney: "Where do you live?" Ans. "At Howard." "How old are you?" Ans. "32 years." "Do you know the defendant, Mr. Swartzman?" Ans. "I do." "Where were you on the night of Sept. 20th?" Ans. "At Howard." "Did you see the defendant that night and where?" Ans. "I saw him lurking around the canning factory about 10 o'clock in the evening."

"Was he alone?" Ans. "Yes." "What do you know about a barrel that was stolen from the factory?" Ans. "Well I saw a barrel standing outside of the factory filled with tomato pulp and the next morning it was gone." "Did you see any one take the barrel?" Ans. "No." "Well, you saw no one else around there but the defendant?" Ans. "No." "Well that's enough to convict him. That will do."

Frank Pauline, sworn. "Where do you live?" Ans. "I live about a mile from Howard." "Do you know the defendant in this case?" Ans. "I do." "Where did you see him on the night of Sept. 20th?" Ans. "I saw him lurking past my place about 11 o'clock that night with a horse and spring wagon."

"Was any one with him?" Ans. "Yes, a lady." "What else had he on the wagon?" Ans. "A barrel." "That confirms the former's evidence. How nicely this coincides with the first evidence. Our side rests."

The counsel for defendant then addressed the Court and jury showing their side of the case and said that he would prove an lullabi on behalf of the defendant. Mr. Swartzman on the rack Counsel—How old are you Mr. Swartzman? Ans. "43 years." "Where were you on the night of Sept. 20th?" Ans. "At home." "When were you in Howard with a horse and spring wagon?" Ans. "On the night of the 23rd of Sept. We were going to ool applebutter and Mrs. Ebyman, of Milesburg, came down in the night train and I took her home with me to help bail applebutter."

"Did she help?" Ans. "She did." "How many gallons did you boil?" Ans. "I didn't measure it." "Did you take a barrel long home with you that night?" Ans. "I did. It was my own barrel."

"That'll do. You'll get clear all right." Mrs. Fishburn on the stand. By the counsel: "Mrs. Fishburn, where do you live?" Ans. "About a mile from Howard." "Do you know the defendant, Mr. Swartzman?" Ans. "I do." "Were you present at the hearing before Squire Swenck?" Ans. "I was." "Did the defendant state at the hearing that it was on the night of the 20th that he was in Howard?" Ans. "No, he said it was the 23rd." "That corroborates Mr. Swartzman's testimony. That will do Mrs. Fishburn. Our side rests." There was at least a dozen more witnesses but this will suffice to show how important cases are tried at the expense of the county.

After a five minutes speech to the jury by each side and charge by the Court, the jury retired and a half hour after brought in a verdict of guilty in the second degree, costs to the county more than \$100. Value of "barrel" \$1.

OVER THE COUNTY.

Mrs. Jacob Spotts of Bellwood was visiting her daughter, Mrs. Della Miller, of Axemann, over Sunday.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Heckman, living on the Spear Burrell farm, near Penn Hall.

Mrs. John Strouse, of near State College, who has been quite sick from inflammatory rheumatism, is very much improved.

William E. Snyder, of Centre Hall, made application for an increase of his pension, he having attained the age of seventy-five a short time ago.

Mrs. Joshua Burley and daughter, Mrs. Minnie Singer, of Tyrone, have been visiting Mrs. Burley's sister, Mrs. Samuel Bailey, at Boalsburg.

Information without details was received by friends at Centre Hall that Mrs. Fischer, wife of Dr. W. E. Fischer, of Shamokin, on Thanksgiving day fell, and since has been confined to bed.

Mr. and Mrs. James F. Swabb, who were married recently, expect to go to housekeeping in the spring at Tusseyville, where Mr. Swabb is assisting A. B. Lee in his blacksmith and general repair shop.

The members of the Centre Hall Auxiliary of the Bellefonte Hospital Aid Society last week shipped four barrels of provisions, etc., to the hospital. The donations were from members of the society and many others who were charitably inclined.

The Tyrone Herald says that Clyde McKinley, superintendent of the P. R. R. pumping station near Milesburg, spent part of Sunday with friends in Tyrone. He was accompanied by William Comer, of Johnstown, who was on his way home to Milesburg to visit his mother.

The members of the Centre Hall Methodist church in connection with the Epworth League will hold a social in the Grange Arcadia on the evening of 26th inst. The affair will be purely social, but no doubt profitable as the social side of religious bodies cannot be developed too much.

In connection with the International Live Stock exposition recently held at Chicago, a meeting of those interested in college experimental work was held. About 30 were present, representing stations from Pennsylvania to California. Dr. Henry Prentiss Armsby, of the Pennsylvania State College experiment station, was chosen president which was a high honor.

The other day while M. N. Miller, tenant of the Grove farm, along sinking Creek, was butchering, he heard a peculiar roar. Mr. Miller thought it was the roaring of the fire in the chimney but on looking he discovered the roof of the washhouse on fire. Water being scarce it looked as though all the buildings on the place would go. He at once mounted the roof and with half barrel of water succeeded in extinguishing the flames.

John Brindle, of near Fiedler, was so unfortunate as to lose a pocketbook containing \$120. Mr. Brindle lost it while going from Nieman's store to N. A. Auman's grocery at Millheim, and whether it dropped out of his pocket or was taken by a pickpocket he cannot tell. Shortly after he discovered his loss the pocketbook was picked up in the rear of the National Hotel but rifled of its contents. The money was all in five dollar bills and had been paid to Mr. Brindle for this season's work on the farm. He is a poor man and can ill afford his loss.

—Gloves—Founes and "Updegraffs" from the 25c wool gloves to the twelve dollar fur glove. There's nothing lacking in between. Sim the Clothier.

SNOW SHOE TWP.

FOUNTAIN.

Park Bullock visited his son, at Jersey Shore, recently.

George Witherite, wife and two children, spent Saturday at Bellefonte.

Oscar Carver, a popular young man of our town, spent several days of last week at Bellefonte.

Wm. Carver and wife, of Clarence, were guests of Edw. Reigholds Sunday.

Mrs. J. Croft, of Yarnell, spent several days of last week at the home of Harry Sayers.

Jacob Harnish, of Boalsburg, is greeting his friends in our town, again.

Mrs. Mart Bullock and little son spent Monday at her parental home at Clarence.

Adaline Smoyer spent Sunday very pleasantly at the home of Edw. Reigholds.

The stork made a call at the home of James Fye and left a bright little boy.

—If he doesn't like it you may bring it back after Christmas and exchange it or get the money—only at Sims.

Mixed Candies, 3 lbs 25c

NUTS—15c to 30c per lb.
ORANGES—30c to 40c per doz.
OYSTERS—25c to 40c per quart.
FINE CELERY and CRANBERRIES.
LARGE PRUNES—3 lbs for 25c.
LARGE COFFEE—10 lb; reg. 15c.
LARGE COFFEE—10 lb; reg. 15c.
SEEDED & SEEDLESS—10c and 15c.
CANNED SWEET POTATO—10c can.
BAKED BEANS—3 cans for 25c.

MINCE MEAT—12c lb.
EGGS—25c doz. BUTTER—30c lb.
CANNED CORN—3 for 25c; reg. 15c.
CANNED PEAS—25c; reg. 15c.
DRIED PEACHES—10c; 15c.
CHOCOLATE—25c; reg. 35c.
GINGER SNAPS—3 lbs for 25c.
NIO NACS—3 lbs for 25c.
RICE—8c lb; reg. 10c.
COCOA—8c; reg. 10c.

For Cash Only. Prices subject to change. Potatoes wanted.

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All Coats reduced from this date; come early and get your choice. Beginning with Jan. 1st we will have the cheapest Muslim Sale ever known.

- Corset Covers plain and tr'm'd 25c
- Drawers plain and tr'm'd.....25c
- Gowns plain and tr'm'd.....50c

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A large display of fine

Leather Goods

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Hand-painted China, Limogus China, Cut Glass in large variety.

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Christmas Tree Ornaments

Our lines of Tree Ornaments are the most complete and best ever shown in Bellefonte. Our prices are the lowest, come around and have a look at our extensive display.

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We carry a good stock of staple China and Glass Goods, China fancy figures, Vases and Novelties.

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5 & 10c STORE

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As usual we have a complete line of

Christmas Goods!

and are ready to supply your many needs.

- Savory Roasters.....90c to \$3.00
- Carving Sets.....\$1.00 to \$7.00
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THE POTTER-HOY HARDWARE CO.

Joseph's Store

For the Christmas season we will show the greatest variety of

Holiday Goods

ever brought to Bellefonte. Owing to the backward season we are now offering all

- Cloaks, Suits and Millinery

at such a reduction as will startle purchasers. DON'T MISS THIS SALE.

JOSEPH BROS. & CO.

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HOLIDAY STOCK

For the next 30 days.

Ladies' and Children's Furs at reduced prices to close out.

Toilet Sets were \$5. reduced to \$4.

Manicure Sets from 40c to \$1.

Tooth Brushes 5c and 10c.

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Graniteware, Jardiniers and Ema Vases suitable for Christmas gifts at auction prices.

Christmas Trees, the kind you can use this year, fold up and put away for next year, at reduced prices.

Christmas Tree Ornaments 10c each or 3 for 25c.

10,000 Christmas Post Cards, 3 for 5c.

10,000 Local Views, 4 for 5c.

A large assortment of DOLLS, GAMES, BOOKS and POST CARD ALBUMS to select from.

You will be more than doubly repaid if you do your Christmas shopping at this store first.

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Prices to Suit Everybody's Purse

Whether a gift for a Gentleman, Lady or Child, we can suit you.

KATZ & CO.

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is always the headquarters for Santa Claus at Xmas tide. You can't pass the Holiday season without candies and sweet meats.

Young and Old Enjoy Ceader's Candies

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Fine Mixtures for Holiday Trade.

Churches and Sunday Schools supplied at special rates.

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Tropical Fruits, Nuts, Figs, Dates.

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Xmas Boxes

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