

THE COLUMBIAN, BLOOMSBURG, COLUMBIA COUNTY, PA.

The Columbian.

BLOOMSBURG, FRIDAY, MAY 3, 1867.

A FEW copies of the COLUMBIAN were worked off before correcting the error in the Assessing District; of which Palemon makes mention.

"THE Young Man's Library," in six volumes, illustrated, for sale at the COLUMBIAN office. The sixth volume is an edition of Johnson's Dictionary. For sale cheap.

L. N. MOYER has returned from the City with a fine stock of Drugs, Notions, and other articles in his line. Go and see them, and we are satisfied you will purchase.

SHERIFF MILLER has restocked the "Old Arcade," and now is the time to purchase before the best of the goods are taken. His selections are unusually fine, and as everybody knows he cannot be undersold.

A LADY has given ten thousand pounds (about fifty thousand dollars) towards building churches in Birmingham. Will some of our people apply the same spirit of giving to our Institute Building? How easy and light it would be if all worked together.

TITLE days of ready made clothing have long gone by, because who would purchase a baggy suit of shoddy when by calling on Mr. David Lowenberg they get the most fashionable suits at lower prices than city made goods, and then they have the assurance that goods and workmanship is "A" No. 1.

THE Radical Legislature having repealed the law giving bounty and pension to the soldiers of 1812, and to their widows, those who have been receiving it can draw no more, and those who have applied, are informed that in consequence their claims are rejected. Let them place the fault where it belongs, —on the *Greasy administration*.

THE BASE BALL CLUB had their first game for the season, on last Saturday, at the Fair Grounds. Quite a number were out, and an unusually good game was played. The whole Club should be on hand next time. The ground is in good order, the weather fair, and there is no better remedy for "Spring fever."

To clerks, students, and persons of sedentary habits, there can be no better exercise.

A HORRIBLE TRAGEDY.—On Thursday morning of last week, the citizens of Berwick were thrown into excitement by the suicide of John Fowler of that place. He was living with the family of Mr. John Egger, and occupied a small room, having a stove in the centre, and chests in opposite corners. Over one of these chests hung a small looking-glass, which he faced in committing the horrible deed. It would seem as if he had placed the muzzle of the pistol close against the inner corner of his right eye when fired, or otherwise so small a bullet would not have produced such a terrible effect. When found, the feet were lying towards the looking-glass, showing that he had fallen backwards, and the pistol was tightly grasped in his hand and the finger still on the trigger. The bullet, about the size of a buckshot, had passed through his head into the ceiling. The entire upper part of his skull was blown off, and pieces were scattered about the room, and under his head was a large mass of clotted blood. On the chest in front of him lay an almost entire lobe of the brain, while the other lay under the other chest at the opposite corner, which stood a few inches above the floor. Not only the looking-glass, but the ceiling and entire corner of the room were spattered with brains.

The deceased was over seventy years of age, and reported to be very miserly. It is said rather than pay \$1.50 water per annum, while boarding himself, he carried water all the way from the river, one-half a mile distant and up a steep hill. His wife left him some years ago, and married another man. Their only child is dead. His property amounts to several thousand dollars. It is said that a few days before his suicide he requested one of Mr. Egger's family to procure him poison, but they supposed him to be jesting. The mania for self-destruction seems to be hereditary in his family, as his mother destroyed herself, his brother, Henry Fowler, some years ago shot himself on the mountain near Foundryville, and a sister has made numerous attempts at self-destruction.

We remember the deceased well, for he was long the terror of the youth of Berwick, especially those inclined to rob his orchard back of town. He was grim looking, yet had a dry humor that made him many friends. His connexions are numerous and respectable.

WE have received *The Atlantic Monthly* for May. The following are its contents.

The Guardian Angel. Part V. By Oliver Wendell Holmes. History of the Sewing-Machines. A sketch of the invention of Sewing-Machines, of the difficulties and delays in securing their introduction to use, and of the changes effected by them. By James Parton. Heart and Health. A Poem by Thos. Buchanan Read.

The Genius of Dickens. A critical essay, by E. P. Whipple.

Germans in New York. By Charles Dawson Shanly.

Katherine Morne. Part VII. By the author of "Herman."

Sorrow. A Poem.

The Plaintiff Nonsuited.

Some Unappreciated Characters. A humorous statement of the possible but not popularly credited virtues of such personages as Solomon's Singard, the Old Man of the Sea, Xanadippe, Blue-Beard, Gallo, and Caliban. By C. C. Hazewell.

Oldport in Winter. By T. W. Higginson.

Marble Quarries. A Poem by Gen. H. B. Sargent.

The Custom of Burial with the Head toward the East. By Rev. N. L. Frothingham.

Heroes of Central Africa. By W. Winwood Reade.

Reviews and Literary Notices.

TICKNOR & FIELDS, Publishers, Boston.

This ancient town of Catawissa is in a high state of excitement over the "Liquor question." The teetotalers have inaugurated a vigorous campaign against the Hotel Keepers, and they have put themselves on the defensive. Counsel have been retained on both sides, and the contest will probably be decided by the Court next week.

In Spain, the Cortes, being something like Congress, took up first and passed an act of indemnity, freeing the government from legal liability for its late unconstitutional acts.

Our Congress at Washington has done the same thing for Lincoln, Stanton & Co., four or five times. Disgraceful.

PAYMENTS TO THE COLUMBIAN for April, 1867.

Columbia co. \$50 Dr L B Kline 6 00

J B Harmon 5 00

Henry Folk 1 00 Wm Huime 2 00

S M Ellis 2 00

Geo W Mears 1 00

Theo Hickey 2 00 Samuel Kline 2 00

Silas Conner 2 00 Daniel Kiefer 2 00

46 Ep Trowbridge 2 00

J John Gitter 2 00

P White 2 00

Joseph Walter 2 00 John Oman 2 00

Jac Terwilliger 2 00 Robert Stent 5 00

Samuel Betz 2 00 Henry Hill 2 00

Henderson 2 00 Sam'l Kelchner 2 00

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