

THE COLUMBIAN AND DEMOCRAT, BLOOMSBURG, COLUMBIA COUNTY, CLARK'S COLUMN.

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Bloomsburg, Friday, Sept. 22, 1871.
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For Commissioners' notices of Bridge
lettings and Sheep and Dog laws, see
elsewhere in this paper.

THE WILLIAMSON EXPLOSION.
The magnificent new depot of the Catawissa R. R., at this place, is rapidly approaching completion. It is the best building of the kind, outside of Philadelphia and Pittsburg, in the State.

JOHN MONROE has instructed the
Grand Jury that it was
its duty to take cognizance of
horror. There is a stringent law against
horse racing, and yet it is violated with
impunity every day.

STOVES have been in demand again
recently, and those consistent people
who want put up one before the 1st of
October, have had a shivering time of it.

By the way, some philosophers inform
us that if a stove is set up by a male
without swearing, there will be peace in
that family for at least a year to
come! Try it!

PROF. H. D. WALKER, of Bloomsburg,
has been appointed principal
of the Normal School at Waverly, which
will probably soon be organized as a
State institution. This professor is well
qualified for his new position, and we
think our people will regret to lose him as
an citizen they will be pleased by his
promotion to a position of usefulness.

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GYPSES.—A party of gypsies has
 been encamped near Bloomsburg for
 some time past, pursuing their occupa-
 tion of horse-trading, begging, telling
 fortunes when they can find folks to
 pay them for it, &c. This singular peo-
 ple are literally an anomaly. Always
 roaming about, always hanging about
 the skirts of civilization and traversing
 civilized countries, they yet never be-
 come entirely civilized. Without ordi-
 nary means of education, they are
 cunning, subtle, and have much of an
 spirit of intelligence. They seem in-
 stinctively to form a fair estimate of
 the character of any one that ap-
 proaches them or comes in contact with
 them, so far as their own interests
 or welfare is concerned.

We believe them to be entirely harm-
 less, excepting their deceptions in
 trades, fortunes telling, &c. Perhaps
 there is little reliance to be placed on
 any statements they may make. But
 we regard it as a popular fallacy that
 they are thieves and kidnapers of chil-
 dren. Certain it is we have never
 heard of an instance of any of their
 being legally convicted of either of
 these offenses, or any other. As they
 traverse through the country in the most
 open and familiar manner, and
 with the utmost freedom, if they com-
 mitted indecent offenses, they would
 be readily arrested. Without friends or
 sympathetic relations with the rest of
 the community, it would be an easy
 matter to convict them if any thing
 could be proved against them. Yet
 whoever heard of the conviction of any
 of them? We believe the truth to be
 that they are careful not to do anything
 that is in violation of law.

If anybody pays them for telling his
 fortune, we think he is penalizing his
 pocket by losing the money for
 boys, and when he finds himself suf-
 ficiently fooled it may teach him a little
 common sense—just a little by way
 of planting the germ of that seed in his
 stupid brain. Their professional pow-
 ers of enchantment are so extremely
 weak that whoever fears them ought to
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