

THE COLUMBIAN.

BLOOMSBURG, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1890.

RAIL ROAD TIME TABLE.	
JACKAWANNA & BLOOMSBURG RAIL ROAD.	
	THRU.
Accommodation Train.....	7.30 A. M.
Mail Train.....	7.40 A. M.
Pass Train.....	11.45 A. M.
CATAWISSA RAIL ROAD.	
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STAGE LINES.

CAMERA AND BLOOMSBURG.—Leave Camera Monday morning at 8:30 A. M., arrive Bloomsburg by 11:30 A. M. Leave Bloomsburg by 1:30 P. M., arrive Camera by 4:30 P. M. BLOOMSBURG AND LANCASTER.—Leave Lancaster Tuesday morning at 8:30 A. M., arrive Bloomsburg by 11:30 A. M. Leave Bloomsburg by 1:30 P. M., arrive Lancaster by 4:30 P. M. BLOOMSBURG AND HARRISBURG.—Leave Harrisburg Wednesday morning at 8:30 A. M., arrive Bloomsburg by 11:30 A. M. Leave Bloomsburg by 1:30 P. M., arrive Harrisburg by 4:30 P. M. BLOOMSBURG AND PHILADELPHIA.—Leave Philadelphia Thursday morning at 8:30 A. M., arrive Bloomsburg by 11:30 A. M. Leave Bloomsburg by 1:30 P. M., arrive Philadelphia by 4:30 P. M.

MAIL ROUTES.

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PUBLIC SALES.

E. M. Tarkenton, Committee, will sell valuable real estate on the premises in Catawissa, on Wednesday, December 31, 1890. See Advertisement in another column.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

A Soldier has just received a fine lot of good imported singing Canaries, also a full lot of fancy Cages. dec 19, 2w.

We wish our patrons a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

About an inch of snow fell on Friday morning last.

Conductor John Little of the L. & B. R. R. is said to be very ill of typhoid pneumonia at his home at Berwick.

Prof. D. J. Waller attended the Dauphin county teachers' institute last week and delivered an address on Tuesday afternoon.

The children of the Episcopal Sunday School will have a Christmas entertainment on Saturday evening.

The Methodist Sunday School will give an entertainment at the Opera House this (Thursday) evening. Santa Claus will be there. Admission 10 cents.

We are glad to notice that W. R. Tubbs has so far recovered from his illness as to be able to look after the house again.

A half sheet will be issued from this office next week. We would like very much to take a holiday and give our employees a rest, but in order to give the required number of insertions to legal advertisements we must forego that pleasure.

The testament used in the office of the Register and Recorder for administering oaths has been handed down from one officer to another since 1815.

A young man recently died in Germany from arsenic poisoning communicated in water which he had used in drawing designs for machinery. He had a habit of 'pointing' his pencil with his lips.

Last Friday A. P. Young of Millville drove to town and tied his horse on Main street while he went into E. R. Heller's office. On returning he found his horse braying and showing signs of pain. He succeeded in getting it down to the Exchange stable where after a few hours it recovered so that he was able to drive home.

The annual meeting of the Christian Temperance Union of Bloomsburg will be held in the M. E. Church on Friday evening, Dec. 26 at 7 o'clock. A temperance sermon will be preached by Rev. W. M. Evans, after which the officers for the ensuing year will be elected. E. H. YOCUM, Rec. Sec.

Vendue notes waiting sign of execution and exemption, with stubs; just printed at this office. Books containing many notes of notes desired can be found in a few moments. If.

Never send to the city for what you can buy at home. Never employ workmen from abroad when home mechanics can do the same work just as well. Patronizing home enterprises is what makes the business and prosperity of the community.

George Roan, who has been employed in this office for the past four years, completed his apprenticeship on the 20th inst. and is now a 'free journeymen.' He has proven himself a faithful and industrious workman, and his services will be retained in this office.

A change is contemplated in the proprietorship of the Bristol House. If effected, Mr. E. C. Waser will become a partner of Mr. Koons, the present landlord, and the business of the house will be conducted under the firm name of Koons & Waser.—Willsboro Union-Leader.

Never ask a lady to play on the piano, unless you intend to be polite enough to listen to her playing, never add hypocrisy to boresdom, by seeming to be pleased with what you thought more contemptible than your contemptible partner. Once upon that you only asked her to play out of politeness, and failed to listen out of impoliteness.

The Catawissa Cornet Band that accompanied Company F of this place, to the Grant reception, made a favorable impression in the hearts of the 'boys,' who spent the day in the very best of spirits. During their short but happy stay in our midst they won hosts of friends who will never forget them and the delightful music they so kindly treated us to. Gentlemen, come again; we are a little lost for your fine style of 'two-four' and 'six-eight' music.—Danville Record.

Sheriff Hoffman's term of office will expire on Monday, January 1st 1891. For the past three years he has occupied the position and has performed his duties satisfactorily. He has been courteous to the attorneys, who placed business in his hands, and lenient to parties who were unfortunate enough to have their property levied upon. Upon his retirement he will engage actively in the milling business at Lightstreet on the Kent property, which was purchased by him. We wish him success in this enterprise.

Now is the time to subscribe for the COLUMBIAN for 1891. Begin with the New Year. We want one thousand new subscribers, and expect to get them within the next few months. In order to assist us, and to extend the circulation of sound Democratic principles, we ask as a special favor of each subscriber in Columbia county to show this paper to one person who does not take it. It will cost you nothing to do so, and may benefit us greatly. An increased circulation will enable us to keep the price at the present low rate of \$1.50 a year, and also to add new and attractive features as our income will permit. During the past few weeks, with out any effort on our part, we have added thirty new names to our list, and lost but two. Lead us a helping hand and we shall have no difficulty in making our circulation as large as that of any paper in this section of the state, as it now has the largest in the county.

J. J. Brower offers for rent a very desirable stand for a store. See advertisement in business local.

One of New York's prominent chemists, Mr. Albert C. Dong, 61 Bowery, says: St. Jacobs Oil cured a well-known auctioneer, and many other prominent citizens of rheumatism. It is a reliable remedy.

Dance.—The aim that young ladies should have in view with regard to their dress is not to attract attention, but to be in good taste. Young French girls are never seen in rich silks and satins, or heavy and costly materials. To be well dressed does not depend on a lavish expenditure of money, but on the selection of suitable colors which harmonize with the complexion, and fashions which set off a perfect figure or hide the defects of one less perfect. Be suitably attired for the occasion, for the weather and time of day.

Sheriff Est will move to town soon, and take possession of the jail. He will find a small number of prisoners on hand, three of them having escaped on the last week. Workmen engaged in repairing the building carefully left their tools in the corridor, and with them the prisoners effected an exit. By the way, why is it that the new jail is constantly needing repairs?

Latest styles of elegant calling cards are now kept in stock at this office, and can be furnished on short notice. We invite especially the attention of the ladies to the gilt beveled edge, and horse-hoof cards. Do not send away for engraved or printed cards, when you can get just as good at home. Prices low.

It should be the aim of every owner of Horses, Cows, to make them as handsome and useful as possible. The German Horse and Cow Powder helps to develop all the powers of the animal. It improves its beauty and increases its usefulness. It makes milk, muscle and fat. By using it a horse will do more work and a cow give more milk and be in better condition with less feed. Sold only by weight at 15 cents a pound by C. A. Klein, Bloomsburg, Dec 12, 79-ly

Judge Ellwell went to Lewisburg on Monday to hear an argument in the Cameron will contest. The distinguished counsel engaged in this case are as follows: For the contestants or plaintiffs, Hon. Jeremiah S. Black, Hon. A. H. Dill, Hon. Charles S. Wolfe, William Van Geer, Esq., and George A. Guyer, Esq. For the defendants, Hon. Wayne McVeigh, Hon. G. F. Miller & Sons, Joshua Conly, Esq., Hon. S. P. Wolcott and S. H. Orwig, Esq. This final argument is to take place on Tuesday, Dec. 19, at 10 o'clock. If granted, the case will likely, in due season, go to a jury. No doubt many were attracted to court on the day named.

PERSONAL.

—Miss Ella Fox is clerking at Clark & Son's.

—H. W. McKelvey has accepted a clerkship at I. W. McKelvey's.

—I. W. Hartman has added Frank Pursel to his force of clerks.

—George McKelvey and wife are at home to spend Christmas with friends.

—Grant Herring is at home from Lafayette College to spend the holidays.

—R. A. Mercer, Esq., of Towanda, held a meeting of the creditors in bankruptcy in the estate of William Goodman, at the Exchange Hotel, on Tuesday.

—W. A. Marr and J. H. James, Esqs., of Ashland, were in town on Tuesday attending to legal business.

—Hon. C. R. Buckwalter was at Lewisburg on Tuesday attending the argument of the Cameron will case.

—Mrs. W. B. Koons spent several days in town last week.

—L. P. Appelmann, Esq., of Easton, is at home to spend the holidays.

SILVER IN COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Nathan Longbecker, of Catawissa Valley, Daniel Brosius, of Shermansburg, Francis Frick, of Mahanoy City, and John Kanter, of Pottsville, have formed a company to work valuable silver veins in the mountains near Egvonon, on the Susquehanna river, Columbia county. The authorities at the Philadelphia mint say the ore will assay over \$165 per ton. The prospectors have leased over nine miles of land in which at different places shafts have been sunk and veins discovered varying in thickness from three and a half to eight feet of excellent paying ore. The gentlemen intend to erect works at once and ship the ore to the crushing establishments. Kanter, one of the party, says there is a large deposit of the precious metal on land of his on the Broad mountain, and that he knows of a cave there, the entrance to which is now fallen in, that exposes a vein which would assay \$200 per ton, and from which in olden days the Indians used to fill canoes and carry it to Philadelphia.—Pottsville Chronicle.

HOW MOODY AND SANKEY FIRST MET.

The manner in which Moody and Sankey first met and became associated in evangelical work is thus pleasantly related: Mr. Moody and Mr. Sankey first met in a prayer meeting. The singing was poor and a friend of Mr. Sankey's urged him to start a hymn after the next prayer. He did so, the people took it up, and it helped to make the meeting successful. After it was over, Mr. Moody sent for him. 'He did not say,' says Mr. Sankey, 'How do you do?' or 'I am glad to see you,' or anything. He took me by the hand, though, and immediately said: 'I have been looking for you for some time. Where do you live?' 'I told him, 'How old are you?' 'I told him my age, and he asked, 'Are you married?' 'Yes,' 'How many children have you got?' 'One.' 'Well, I want you to leave your home and come to Chicago. I have got a place for you. You must come, for there's a work there that I want you to do, and you must do it.' Well, two weeks later I was in Chicago, and he wrote me, 'I am glad to hear you are here. I am so much that I finally went to Chicago, and he was in his church and have been with him ever since.'

ROUSEBURG NEWS.

Summer sweets will bloom again though the bitter biting frosts of December pinch us unmercifully to the bone.

Our enterprising townsman James Albertson went Saturday last by himself, and his hunting story was, nineteen rabbits and two pheasants, but we imagine it is something like the girl's rat story.

Amos Hancock who has been working with Mr. Hartman at carpentering, returned to his home at Pine Creek a short time ago. His wife is made, and he is quite disabled from the respect of his employers.

The friends of Wm. Isler made him quite a surprise by assembling there during his absence. Yesterday on his return he made the discovery that it was his birthday.

Allick Sullivan into a broad grin when he whispers, 'It's a boy.'

Captain Uri has built a neat looking barn at Lightstreet on the Kent property, which was purchased by him. We wish him success in this enterprise.

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See a woman on horseback in another column, riding near Speer's Vineyard, with a bunch of grapes from which Speer's Port Grape Wine is made, and he is highly esteemed the medical profession for the use of invalids, weakly persons and the aged.

Sold by Druggists.

June 27-ly.

Sherman & Co., Marshall, Mich., will sell a good horse and carriage at once, at a price of \$100 per month and expenses paid. For full particulars address above. Nov. 21-ly.

AMONG OUR ADVERTISERS.

It has been some years since a much shopping was done for Christmas as there has been this year. People were too poor to indulge in handsome presents, and many were almost unable to provide themselves with even the necessities of life. The fact that there is so much better indicates that the return of prosperity has put in the power of the people the pleasure of exchanging more expensive gifts, and enabled the poorer classes to indulge in luxuries unknown the balance of the year. Our merchants have not displayed so many attractive goods for holiday trade, for a long time as they have this year. It is impossible for us to name the fine goods to be seen in all the stores in town, and we can only mention the leading houses and finest displays.

I. W. Hartman, in his new combination store has an assortment of goods at every description. Dry Goods, silks, fancy goods, books, groceries, etc., may be found there in endless variety. While the five and ten cent counters form a strong attraction to crowds that visit his store.

I. W. McKelvey has opened his new grocery department, and the lower room is now devoted to dry goods notions, etc. He has an immense stock of everything.

Lutz & Sloan display an elegant lot of silk handkerchiefs, lace, dress goods, fancy articles and combs and pins, and there is hardly enough to accommodate all their customers. When they remove to their new building they can display their fine stock to better advantage.

Clark & Son also have a large assortment of dress goods, fancy notions, lace, soap, lace and toilet articles, which their full floor has been kept passing out over their counters.

G. A. Clark's Book Store has attracted many visitors during the past two weeks. Books, fine stationery, pictures, inkblends, paper weights, games, cards, and many other fine articles are comprised in his stock.

At David Lowenberg's are found fine clothing for boys just in pants, up to suits for the largest men. Also gentlemen's furnishings goods in every variety.

W. C. McKinney's Boot and Shoe store, the place to buy shoes and boots from the finest to the heaviest. Gentle furnishings goods, neckties, etc., always on hand.

D. A. Cressy continues to keep a fine assortment of dry goods and groceries.

Meyer Brothers, in addition to their general stock of drugs and medicines, have put on fine soap, etc., and a lot of handsome lamps lately received.

C. A. Klein also has vases, fine lamps, soap, toilet articles, etc., at his drug store.

At C. C. Marr's, S. H. Miller & Son's, William Kremer's, A. J. Evans' and other places of business, good goods at low prices can be found the year round as well as at Christmas time.

At Cadman's can be found all sorts of furniture from a baby chair to a full parlor set, and in the same room is L. Bernhard's elegant display of jewelry, silverware, clocks, watches and the like.

C. E. Savage also has a fine line of silverware, jewelry, etc.

At any of our business houses, goods can be bought the year round at low rates, and there is no reason why any one should send away for goods at Christmas or any other time. If what you want is not kept in stock, go to some one who keeps in that line, and he can order it for you. Keep your trade at home.

Executors' Administrators' Guardians' and Trustees' Receipts Books bound in Reynolds' covers, just printed at this office. Books with 100 receipts only 40 cents. Books containing smaller numbers bound in a few moments. If.

ORANGEVILLE ITEMS.

The approach of Christmas has made this a lively week. Mr. Low has five cent window which attracts quite a crowd.

On Saturday last week the fair of Mr. John Welsh of this place was held. We glean the following facts from one who was there. The entire family of Mr. Welsh, consisting of three daughters and two sons were at home on this auspicious occasion; the parents of the bride Mr. and Mrs. John S. Pettibone of Kingston were also there and together with a number of particular friends made the goodly number of 36. The day was rather gloomy outside but not at all so within the walls of the old stone house; joy and happiness seemed to reign supreme. At about two o'clock the company gathered out to the dining hall. The tables were loaded with good things of all descriptions. The dinner passed off very pleasantly and after some music and conversation the company dispersed to their several homes well pleased with the way in which the day had been spent.

Miss Carrie Decker and Miss Groop have been around raising a donation for widow Coleman. Mrs. Coleman will be greatly benefited as well as surprised.

Yours truly,

SAMUEL GAMP.

BERKOW LETTER.

EDS. COLUMBIAN:

Preparations for Christmas festivities are in progress in the M. E. Church, which is to be held on Friday evening, Dec. 19, at 7 o'clock. The exercises are to take place on Wednesday evening, not the least of which is to be the distribution of gifts to the children of the church. The children will take a very lively interest in the Sunday School during the winter season, particularly just before Christmas. The sacredness of the cause of this holiday, evidently by its nearness, has this effect upon them.

The Literary Society has adjourned until the second Friday of next year, its meetings having interfered too much with those of the several churches.

C. B. Jackson returned from Washington last Friday. He brings with him Maj. Klotz's complimentary letter of his (the Maj.) particular friends of Bloom.

The warning sound of the fire bell startled the citizens once more last Thursday afternoon. Through the carelessness of a workman a lighted lamp was upset on some shavings in the car shop, igniting the dry material. The flames were smothered by the promptness of the workmen within ten minutes and no damage was done.

A sad accident occurred last Friday about a mile from town, resulting in the death of a two year old daughter of Daniel Marx. The servant girl left a bucket of hot water standing in the room in which the child was playing and left the room for a few minutes. On her return she found the little one had locked the door and was running up and down the room in apparent glee. In her romping she fell in the bucket of water and so severely scalded that she did not live until morning.

The stores all seem to have done the holiday attire, having their windows filled with showy articles tempting the passer-by. That of Messrs. Borman & Griggin presents a very business-like appearance. They know how to please.

Winter took charge of the streets yesterday, though he laid a rather thin carpet of snow for those who delight in sleighing. Unless he sends us another supply, the jingle of the bells will cease.

Berwick, Pa., Dec. 23, 79. REPORTER.

The jingle of sleigh bells was heard on the street two or three days this week. The sleighing was not very good, but what little there was, was taken advantage of. Rain has since fallen and the snow, practically, is gone for the present.

The car shops of Lockard Brothers is the scene of great activity now. About one hundred and twenty-five hands are employed, and are turned out rapidly. This firm is possessed of large quantities of good horse-drawn carriages and their establishment is a first thing for laboring men. A few more such manufacturing would add greatly to the town.

THE CHRISTMAS TREE.

The world is indebted to the Protestant districts of Northern Germany for the Christmas tree. Then it was first planted, of its roots and its seeds scattered over the earth wherever the Christian name has been heard. No sweeter custom ever grew among a people, and the universality of its observance to-day at the end of hundreds of years is the best proof, if proof were needed, of its moral beauty and loveliness. The whole world has made it its own, and the world all the richer and the better that it has done so. In the old German days the illuminations of the Christmas tree and the Christmas gifts were more complete than now. Knecht Rupprecht, the modern Santa Claus, was a veritable personage, who, fantastically disguised, came on Christmas Eve with a train of curiously arrayed attendants from house to house, bearing the Christmas tree and distributing presents to the children. The head of each household after a rigid inquiry as to their merits and demerits during the year. All this has been changed, not only here but even in the older countries on the European continent, but the soul of the custom has been kept alive and the tree which each house for itself erects and decorates. With us it is well for the sake of the preservation of the custom that it has been changed. Young America could not do better, and very often by disguised Knecht Rupprecht. The first visit he may get along well enough, but the second or third he would be certain to be put to some severe test, which would, sooner or later, dispel the mystery of his existence. Modern inventions have marvellously sharpened the wit of all of us, even of the three year olds who remorselessly dissect the first talking automaton to solve the problem of its mechanism. Knecht Rupprecht would never do in this century of the nineteenth century, with its railroads and telegraph lines, and it would be hazardous to attempt to make of him a living entity. Far better keep him cowering over the house top with his tiny sleigh and reindeer, dropping gifts, as he flies, through the cavernous chimney, or even through the red hot stove. May he come in his new attire, and may he be every little one and gladden them one and all.

THE CHRISTMAS SEASON.

Christmas has always been a joyous season from time immemorial, and has been duly celebrated in our American cities, although not perhaps to the extent that the residents of the old world have always greeted this first of all the holidays. Of late years, however, there has been a notable increase in this observance of the Christmas festival in our land, until now even Germany exceeds us in the respect we pay to this time-honored and sacred holiday.

Four weeks before-hand our principal streets are crowded with happy people intent on making others happy on the day which, by common consent, leads all others. The beautifully decorated stores are crowded with eager customers, and altogether the joyous Christmas season with its last not day only, but entire weeks, and leaves the whole year with its happy influences.

A train of thought was suggested by a call Monday at the establishment of Messrs. Strawbridge & Clothier, at Eighth and Market streets, where the night presented was calculated to arouse enthusiasm in the breast of the veriest stoic. One week ago, when we paid the last of many visits to this store, in search of articles for housekeeping needs, we found the great house thronged with buyers, but all intent on goods for personal apparel of housekeeping uses. All the season the same business activity prevailed to an extent that we have never seen rivaled in other cities, but there was no sign of token of Christmas in the air.

Yesterday how changed the scene! In one short week, as if by magic, the great house presented an altered aspect, and on every side of the counters exhibited articles of beauty as well as of use, chosen month ago at the sources of production in the old world, but only within a few days placed on sale.

While everything pertaining to the usual stock of the house was still exhibited; yet the vast display of articles belonging especially to the Christmas season, and the beauty and the one that could not fail to impress every observer with the beauty and life of the Christmas season.

As well might a reporter attempt to catalogue one of our great libraries by simply spending an hour in inspection, or to give an index of the British Museum in a hasty newspaper article, as to try to do justice to the beautiful things displayed. It is sufficient to say that any one who has not fixed upon a gift in some special line of business, or, for instance books or jewelry, can hardly fail to find in this vast collection just what would be most acceptable to the recipient.

We have never in any season of the year, in pleasant weather, happened in at Messrs. Strawbridge & Clothier's establishment, and were interested, but the spectacle presented just now cannot be, we believe, be seen elsewhere, and is one that must be in the highest degree interesting to every observer. We desire to add our sincere appreciation of a firm that is doing so much to raise the standard of Philadelphia mercantile reputation, and by their business, skill, genius and well-directed energy contribute so much to the life of our city, in a business sense in the foremost rank of the great cities of the great Republic.—Philadelphia Press Dec. 17th, 1879.

The Mode of Appointing Presidential Electors.

It would be a strange sight to see the next Legislature exercise the extraordinary power of taking from the people the right of choosing electors to the office of President and Vice President, and confer it upon the Senate and Assembly—that is to say, upon the Legislature itself. Though the Federal Constitution may authorize the deed, the people of New York would stand amazed to witness such a high handed proceeding.

For fifty-seven years the drift of events in this State has been toward an enlargement of the powers of the people in the matter of the appointment of public officers of every kind and grade, from the highest to the lowest. Formerly the Governor and Lieutenant Governor and State Senators were chosen only by freeholders; while not only could they even in the election of the pettiest officer without having paid a tax during the current year. There was a tribunal called the Council of Appointment, consisting of the Governor and four State Senators selected by the vote of Assembly from the whole body of Senators. The power of this Council extended to almost every office in the State. It appointed all the judicial officers, from the Chancellor down to Justices of the Peace. It appointed all of those usually called the State officers, such as the Comptroller and Attorney General, and also Sheriff, County Clerks, Masters in Chancery, Mayors of cities, Generals of the militia, and so on to the end.

The Constitution of 1822 changed all this. It greatly enlarged the right of suffrage, and wholly abolished the freehold qualification of voters. It destroyed the Council of Appointment, and distributed its power in various quarters, conferring some upon the Governor and the whole Senate, some upon the two branches of the Legislature, and some upon the people through the ballot

boxes. The Constitution of 1846 went still further in the same direction. Among other radical changes of like character, it gave the people the right of electing all the State officers and the Judges of all the Courts.

New York has been in the van of so many States in the work of enlarging the privileges of the people. In the line of march toward popular rights it has taken no step backward. When this movement began, the electors of President and Vice President were appointed by the Legislature. After a struggle which lasted five years, and in which the old Albany Regency was twice overthrown at the polls, the Legislature of 1829 passed a law conferring upon the people the right of choosing electors of President and Vice President under the general ticket system. That law stands upon the statute book to-day, and in the wildest political excitement of the past fifty years no party or faction has till now dreamed of its repeal. Do the Republicans of New York propose to deprive the people of a precious privilege and to roll back the current of events by blotting out this old statute, in order to secure a third Presidential term for General Grant?—N. Y. Sun.

Republicans are indignant because the Governor and council of Maine have "counted in" a democratic majority in the Legislature of that state. For years, under republican rule, the returns have not been made out according to law, and this year the board has followed the statute strictly and the result has been the seating of a democratic majority. While the Republicans are contemplating the seizure of New York by having the Presidential electors of that state appointed by the Legislature, they are making a great howl because their own game has been played in Maine.

The Republican national committee met at Washington on Wednesday last week and elected J. D. Cameron its chairman. This means that Grant's friends have captured the committee, and that he will be made the candidate for President if he will accept. Cameron is for Grant first then for Sherman, while Blaine brings up the rear. There will likely be some lively wire-pulling before the convention meets, as Blaine does not intend to retire without a struggle. The Convention will be held in Chicago, some time in June.

—Mrs. Joseph Galie, gave a dinner at Eokington to Nathaniel P. Willis, who was one of her especial friends. He sat beside a sprightly niece of hers and the two became very lively. And Mr. Campbell beside the hostess and was devoted in his attentions to her. This, however, did not so absorb the aunt as to prevent her from watching the flirtation going on between Mr. Willis and her niece. She frowned and sent reproving glances down until the young lady seized pencil and paper and hurriedly wrote and sent to her aunt the following lines:

You strain at my hat and swallow your Campbell. This clever thrust allured the aunt and secured immunity for the young lady.

Business Notices.

For Rent.

A desirable store room, corner room in what is known as Brower building, in the Town of Bloomsburg, Columbia County, Pa. Nearly opposite the Exchange Hotel, opposite the Post Office and first door above the Court House, being one of the best located Store Rooms in the Town. The room is well fitted up with Counters, Shelving, Gas fixtures, &c. Possession April 1, 1880. Inquire of J. J. Brower, Bloomsburg, Pa.

Sacred Calendar, Business men's Calendar, Shakespearean Calendars, and New Year's Cards at Clark's Book Store.