

The Columbian.

BLOOMSBURG, FRIDAY DEC. 23, '81

PUBLIC SALES.

Geo. W. Hildeman, administrator of Samuel Hildeman, will sell real estate on the premises in Benton township, on Friday, January 13th, 1882.

I. K. Krickbaum, administrator of the estate of Peter Appelman, will sell real estate at the Exchange Hotel in Benton, on Saturday, December 31st, 1881.

There are four prisoners now in the county jail.

W. C. McKinney has erected a substantial awning in front of his building on Main street.

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In order that our composers may enjoy the Christmas season we will only issue a half sheet next week.

Last Wednesday was the shortest day of the year, comprising only nine hours and sixteen minutes.

There will be a Christmas tree and entertainment at the M. E. Church, Buckhorn on Saturday evening.

H. T. Sallade has retired from the Williamsport Sun & Banner and the paper will hereafter be conducted by H. M. Wolf Jr., J. M. Wolf and M. Wolf.

William Tate, Sr., eldest brother of Colonel Levi L. Tate, editor of the *Evening Chronicle*, died last Sunday, at his home in Clearfield, in the 74th year of his age.

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Jacob Miller of the Ego Hotel, killed two pigs, on Tuesday, weighing 900 lbs. These are the heaviest we have heard of this season.

Mr. William Bryson and several other gentlemen of Centralia will please accept thanks for valuable assistance rendered during a visit to that place this week.

When a legal holiday falls on Sunday, the following day is observed by the business community. As Christmas comes on Sunday this year, Monday will be observed as a legal holiday.

Forty-four new subscribers were added to our Centralia list this week. Over a hundred copies of the *COLUMBIAN* are sent to Centralia and vicinity, which makes it a desirable advertising medium.

An additional siding is in process of construction at Catawissa on the Reading road, from the station to the bridge across the creek. This will give some two miles of siding.

The season for shooting deer in this county expired last Friday, and a fine of \$50 for each deer killed now attaches to any violation of the law.

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The winter term of Wyoming Seminary located at Kingston Pa., has opened with a very large attendance. New students with a large advantage after the holidays. We commend this school to our readers.

In subscribing for a weekly newspaper, outside of your home paper which you must have, it is well to consider the advantage of taking a paper like the *Philadelphia Weekly Press*, which not only furnishes the choice of the general news and reading, but also the fullest Harrisburg and general Pennsylvania news.

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Go to the Opera House. Saturday night of next week, and hear Col. J. P. Sanford's lecture on "Wanderings in Sunny Lands." It is both instructive and entertaining, and cannot fail to give satisfaction.

At the recent teachers' institute 176 teachers were enrolled and the average daily attendance was nearly 100. There are 182 schools in the county. The institute was one of the most satisfactory ever held in the county.

Everything about Sanford's Radical Cure for Catarrh invites confidence. It is the prescription of one of our ablest physicians, and is prepared by one of the largest and most reliable drug houses in the United States.—*Boston Herald.*

The general stock of merchandise belonging to G. M. Baker, a merchant of Esopus, was recently sold by the Sheriff, and the purchasers brought the goods to this town for sale at auction. The various articles were placed in Mrs. Katz's store room and disposed of.

The *Philadelphia Weekly Press* announces that it will continue during the coming year, all the attractive features which have given it its present prestige and popularity, and that it will add new features, making it still more desirable as a family journal. Specimen copies sent free.

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On Monday evening an election was held for officers of the Bloomsburg Fire Department. William Rodomere was chosen Chief, C. B. Robbins, First Assistant and B. W. Hagenbach Second Assistant.

What kind of liars are there in Pottstown, anyway? A paper published in that village states that there was killed recently and twenty-two full sized eggs found inside. The voracious screeper further states that another hen laid an average of eight eggs a day for three months. The hen would lay sometimes four eggs a day, sometimes six, eight, ten, twelve and fourteen.—Referred to Ell Perkins.

GRANDMOTHER.

Used to say: "Boys, if your blood is out of order try Burdock tea" and then they would dig the Burdock and boil it down in kettles, making a nasty, smelling decoction; now you get all the curative properties put up in a palatable form in Burdock Blood Bitters. Price \$1.00, retail 50 cents.

A young man named James Pink was brought to town last Sunday by Constable Yetter and placed in jail. He was committed by J. D. Bodine, justice of the peace of Main township, charged with the larceny of a suit of clothes, jewelry &c., at Boyd R. Yetter's hotel in Mainville, on Saturday. He will be held for trial at the next term of court. Pink has been looting on the lakes and was on his way to New York. He is quite prepossessing in appearance.

Merry Christmas.

To each and all of the readers of the *COLUMBIAN* we extend the compliments of the season and wish them a very Merry Christmas. We hope that in every household the kindly influences of the day may be felt and that joy and happiness may reign supreme. From present appearances the weather will not be such as best bode the day, but love and good will can make themselves manifest as well under clouds as in sunshine. Christmas is the day of all the year when the better qualities of human nature come to the front and when all other desires are overcome by the wish to give pleasure to friends and loved ones. May the Christmas of 1881 make us all happier, better and more contented.

Centralia Jottings.

No town in this county has grown more rapidly than the village of Centralia. A few years ago it was only a little mining town, of a few hundred inhabitants, but it has gradually increased its population and industries until it numbers over two thousand people. Many new buildings have recently been erected, and it is said that others will be put up in the spring. The largest operators here are L. A. Riley & Co., who are conducting three large collieries, namely, the Logan, the Centralia and the Hazeldale. The latter has been in operation but a short time. At the Logan about four hundred men and boys are employed, and the present shipment of coal are nine hundred tons a day. The power for elevating the cars from the mines is furnished by double engines of six hundred horse power. Edward Reese is Superintendent of the three collieries, and James A. Lake, a nephew of Hon. James Lake, the newly elected Associate Judge, is the outside foreman.

There are three good hotels kept by William Poirer, James Goldworthy and Daniel Curry. Some improvements and additions are being made to the latter house. The walls of the bar room have been painted and decorated by Louis Maeder, the artist who recently painted the new drop curtain at the Bloomsburg Opera House, and a large and commodious dining room and kitchen are nearly completed. By the way, Mr. Curry has the reputation of being a fine shot, in this section. On Monday next he will shoot a match with B. Eisenold, of Shuandah, each man to shoot at ten pigeons, the stakes being fifty dollars a side. There were a large number of the birds in Mr. Curry's coop last Monday night when he went to bed, but the next morning about fifty of them had disappeared. No clue to their whereabouts has been found. Dan says he will make the farmers fly if he finds the thief.

Last Monday afternoon, a house belonging to James Barry, which was occupied by three families, was discovered to be on fire in the roof. The energetic efforts of the bucket brigade stayed the flames before much damage was done, and thus prevented what would have been a disastrous conflagration if the fire had gotten under headway.

The Centralia police are now provided with "bullies" and silver stars. Those who have examined the weapons are of the opinion that any man who receives a tap with one of them will have no difficulty in seeing the stars.

D. E. Keller is doing a large business in stoves, tinware and hardware. By the way, he wishes it understood that he has not purchased the establishment of B. Fortner, but will continue at his old stand.

People needing the attention of a physician in this vicinity are well cared for by Drs. Lashelle or Gwinner. The latter gentleman is a young practitioner, but he is rapidly winning an excellent reputation as a careful and successful doctor.

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One of the main features of the Institute was the earnest talk by Dr. Waller given on "Importance of District Institutes." He said, raise the standard of qualifications and the pay and positions will correspondingly be increased. Before any one goes to work to better existing circumstances he must be made to see that they need bettering. This may be brought to the notice of the people through the medium of educational meetings, which must be gotten up with special reference to improvements in methods of teaching, and in arousing the interest of parents and children, rather than for the testing of the teachers' text book knowledge.

The evening sessions were devoted to literary treats. Tuesday evening Miss Patridge gave readings and recitations.

Wednesday evening, Col. Sanford lectured the audience with his far-famed lecture, "Old Times and New." Another rich treat of the evening was the drawing done by Prof. Little to the exact time kept, by Prof. Niles and the Misses Niles and Siles, on piano and songs.

On Thursday evening, Rev. Jesse B. Young delivered his fine lecture, "Battle of Gettysburg," to a pleased audience.

Friday evening, Prof. Curran gave a number of successful and instructive philosophical experiments. Prof. Little again showed his great power in the use of the crayon.

Throughout the entire week's work, the teachers were shown that the true object of all school education should be to develop humanity—to cause the mind to grow, to deepen, to broaden, to give man a higher reach, a stronger grasp.

It is well to be wise, but more useful, more like a brute—more like an angel, more like God.

AMELIA ARMSTRONG, Secretary.

The Lecture Course.

The first of the series of lectures under the management of the Bloomsburg Lecture Lyceum, was given at the Opera House, on Thursday evening of last week. The attendance was most flattering, the audience being large and composed of the best of our people. It proved that there was a hearty interest taken in the Lyceum's enterprise, and that a good course of lectures would meet with success. We look to see an equally well filled house at each ensuing lecture, and perhaps one still more crowded when Daniel Dougherty is here. The gentlemen having the course in charge cannot but feel encouraged at the size and character of the audience at the initial entertainment. Melville D. Landon, better known as "Ell Perkins" inaugurated the series. He was amusing if not deep and was frequently greeted with applause. His lecture does not deserve very flattering comment. It was very light and consisted mainly of stories—some too new, illustrative of his distinctions between wit and humor. Ell can hardly claim originality for his effort, nor any striking merit for brilliancy. The latter portion of the lecture was decidedly flat and might with propriety be remodelled or eliminated.

The second lecture will be delivered by Col. J. P. Sanford, on the evening of the 13th of next week. His lecture is entitled "Wanderings in Sunny Lands." He made a favorable impression when here last week and his lecture at the Normal School met with very general approval. He ought to be greeted by a full house.

A. M. Blake, an Ohio astronomer, claims that the United States have passed into the torrid zone "owing to a change in the parallax of the axis of rotation of the earth," which took place in 1877. He says that all the months except three, show an increase of temperature; that next year will be hotter yet and that in 1880 "we will have the full blaze of an unclouded equatorial sun." Of course when the latter state of affairs comes, our farmers will engage in the production of cotton, and it might be well for them to read up a little on the subject. There is an immense amount of wisdom floating around this year.

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