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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1889.

CORRECT RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

Trains on the P. & R. R. R. leave Rupert as follows:

NORTH.	SOUTH.
1:32 a. m.	11:02 a. m.
3:31 p. m.	6:23 p. m.

Trainson the D. L. & W. R. R. leave Bloomsburg as follows:

NORTH.	SOUTH.
7:19 a. m.	8:32 a. m.
10:57 a. m.	12:06 p. m.
2:35 p. m.	4:15 p. m.
6:36 p. m.	8:47 p. m.

Trainson the N. & W. B. Railway pass Bloomsburg as follows:

NORTH.	SOUTH.
10:48 a. m.	12:37 p. m.
6.26 p. m.	4:30 p. m.
SUNDAY.	
NORTH.	SOUTH.
10:48 a m	6:39 p m

BLOOMSBURG & SULLIVAN RAILROAD.

Taking effect MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1889.

STATIONS.	SOUTH. Ar. P. M.	Ar. A. M.	Ar. A. M.	Lv. A. M.	NORTH. Lv. P. M.	Lv. P. M.
Bloomsburg,	6 38	11 48	7 05	8 35	2 35	6 40
Main Street,	6 38	11 41	6 58	8 42	2 42	6 47
Irondale,	6 16	11 39	6 56	8 45	2 45	6 50
Paper Mill,	6 08	11 31	6 48	8 53	2 53	7 00
Lightstreet,	6 05	11 28	6 45	8 56	2 56	7 03
Orangeville,	5 57	11 20	6 35	9 05	3 07	7 10
Forks,	5 45	11 10	6 25	9 15	3 17	7 20
Zaner's	5 42	11 06	6 21	9 20	3 20	7 23
Stillwater	5 37	11 02	6 17	9 25	3 25	7 28
Benton,	5 28	10 55	6 10	9 33	3 33	7 35
Edsons,	5 23	10 50	6 07	9 36	3 37	7 38
Coles Creek,	5 20	10 45	6 05	9 38	3 40	7 40
Sugarloaf,	5 15	10 42	6 02	9 42	3 43	7 44
Laubachs,	5 12	10 40	6 00	9 47	3 48	7 47
Central,	5 03	10 33	5 53	9 57	3 58	7 57
Jamison City	5 00	10 29	5 50	10 00	4 00	8 00
	Lv. P. M.	Lv. A. M.	Lv. A. M.	Ar. A. M.	Ar. P. M.	Ar. P. M.

SALES.

JAN. 16—The sale of real estate of Samuel Nungesser, deceased, in Beaver Township will be on 16 of Jan. 1890, at 1. o'clock p. m.

H. W. NUNGESSER.
Administrator.

The administrators of Anna Coffman dec'd., W. E. and D. R. Coffman offer at private sale, a house and lot on West Main street Bloomsburg, Pa. the late residence of deceased. tf.

FOR SALE.—A desirable and commodious residence on Main street, supplied with water, gas and steam. Apply to
jan20tf. L. N. MOYER.

FOR SALE —A farm about a mile from Afton, containing 50 acres, all under cultivation, with good buildings, with all this year's crops, farming implements and stock will be sold at private sale. For particulars inquire of J. S. Williams, Bloomsburg. 7-26 tf.

FOR SALE, CHEAP—Good as new, 57 inch Victor Bicycle. Inquire at this office. 11-28 '89.

Personal.

Miss Maud Runyan and Miss Ella Fox are home for the holidays.

Wm. Hart and family of Bellefonte were in town last Friday.

Mrs. F. J. Shreiber come east last week and will remain with her sister Mrs. W. R. Tubby, until spring.

W. A. Marr, Esq., the leading attorney of Ashland, is in Kansas this week on business.

Mrs. C. W. McKelvy attended the funeral of her brother-in-law, C. C. Hagenbuch, at Mahanoy City last Monday.

Conductor Frank McKelvy, spent a few days in the coal regions of Schuylkill Co. last week, on business connected with the Order of Railroad conductors.

Institute proceedings will appear in full next week.

The finest display of PURE home made candy at Phillips.

A B C blocks for the little ones at Mercer's.

No better Christmas present can be made nor one that will be more appreciated than a Shattuck Fountain Pen.

A severe spell of sickness prevented Rev. A. R. Glaze from filling his appointments on last Sabbath. He is better, and expects to be on duty in a few days.

Go to Truckenmiller's, Catawissa, for your Christmas tree ornaments, dolls, toys, games and candies. Stock larger than ever before. Prices lower. 12-13 2w.

John P. Hill, who has been clerk in the Parker House at Muncy for some time, is to be manager of the Manor Rest Inn at Jamison City. Mr. Hill is an experienced hotel man and will make a success of the hotel at Jamison City.

Slumber pillows, head rests, art goods made up, and materials for making, dolls, toys, baby caps and cloaks, and a full line of fancy goods, suitable for Holiday gifts, at the New I'Deal Store, Bloomsburg. 4w.

J. H. Mercer has the finest lot of cut glass bottles ever brought to Bloomsburg. His large Bohemian handmade bottles are the only ones of this kind ever brought here. They are now on exhibition at the Drug and Book store.

In looking around for your holiday presents call and see the musical instruments and sewing machines at B. F. Dreisbach's, Berwick. You could not do better than make a selection from his stock for your friend. It would be a handsome and useful present.

Our assortment of napkins and table linen is one of the most complete in this city. Napkins from $1.00 to $6.00 per doz. Our regular $3.50 double damask ¾ size for $2.75, and ⅞ size at $2.50 are the best goods for the money ever offered in this city.
at Sloan's.

The works of the Jackson & Woodin Manufacturing Co. are crowded to their utmost. In the pipe making department every available man is used. In the car works they have orders for over one thousand cars, of the large box cars. In the smith department they have added nearly ten thousand dollars worth of new machinery.

Buy your silver thimble opposite Central hotel, and get them engraved free of charge.

Fine cigars and beautiful meerschaum pipes at Alexander Bros. & Co's. will be found very acceptable Christmas presents.

For a nice Line of Christmas cards and Booklets see J. H. Mercer's stock before you buy.

All the new and popular games at
W. H. Brooke & Co's.

John Grett of Espy, has been granted a increase of pension.

Books in sets cheap at Mercer's Drug and Book store.

The worst feature about catarrh is its dangerous tendency to consumption. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures catarrh by purifying the blood.

TAX NOTICE.—Notice is given that all taxes must be paid by January 4th 1890 or five per cent will be added.

H. D. McBride,
Collector of Hemlock township.

A decided change in the weather occurred on Saturday. Snow began to fall in the morning and continued until late in the afternoon. It was the first time the ground has been white in this locality this winter.

A nice fine cut bottle, Rogers silver Castor, only $3, opposite Central hotel.

FOR RENT.—The room on the second floor of the COLUMBIAN Building, now occupied by the Town Council, will be vacant April 1st, 1890. It is a large, light room, steam heat, gas, and water on same floor. Inquire of Geo. E Elwell.

The Institute has been well attended this week, and the proceedings have been very interesting. Out of 207 teachers in the county, but one is absent, and he on account of illness. The evening lectures have been well patronized, and highly enjoyed. Full report next week.

Have you seen the 5-A five mile horse blanket? If not, why not? If you have a horse you need it. 12-6 8w.

If you want to see an elegant and complete line of Christmas goods go to Mercer's Drug and Book store.

Phillip's are making up a fine line of pure home-made mixtures for churches at Christmas time.

Christmas Cards at
W. H. Brooke & Co.

Jas. McMichael of Berwick runs the buss line between Berwick and Nescopeck. He meets all trains between those two points and conveys baggage. Connections are made with the Nescopeck branch, on the early morning train north, the 11 o'clock a. m. and the 2:34 p. m.

For a line of Bibles, either large or small go to Mercer's Drug and Book store. Price 35c to $13.00.

It was the privilege of the writer to spend a day in Ashland recently, and while there we had the pleasure of meeting Mr. T. F. Barron, editor of the Ashland *Record*. That paper is a well edited weekly, and the office is complete in its appointments. Mr. Barron has our thanks for courtesies extended.

If you want a blank book, either large or small, day book, or ledger, go to Mercer's Drug and Book store.

Handsome editions of the English poets, bamboo, seal, morrocco and Russian leather at W. H. Brooke & Co.

The following letters are held at Bloomsburg, Pa., post-office, and will be sent to the dead letter office, December 31, 1889.

S. M. Bell, Mrs. Kate C. Besson, Mrs. John Laubach, Mr. Ralph Walter, Mr. Ephm. Yohey.

Persons calling for these letters please say, they were advertised Dec. 17, 1889.

One cent will be charged on each letter advertised.

A. B. CATHCART, P. M.

A present for the old and a present for the young at Mercer's Drug and Book store.

Mrs. Wm. Erwine died at Briarcreek last Wednesday evening at 5 o'clock from a stroke of paralysis, at the age of about 77 years For the past twelve years she was a resident of Fishingcreek township, and at the time of her death was visiting at the home of Josiah Blank in Briarcreek. She was an aunt of Freeman Sitler of Berwick. Funeral services were held Friday morning, December 13th, and interment in the graveyard at the Brick church in Briarcreek.

Call at the New York Novelty store for your Christmas goods. J. W. Masteller. 2w.

Babes of the year and Babes of the Nations Calendars were great favorites last year, in new dress for 1890. Ask to see them.

W. H. Brooke & Co.

Gents & Ladies Toilet cases in both Plush and Leather at Mercer's Drug and Book store.

W. L. Fornwold has in his possession an old relic found among some old papers of the late Mrs. Shipman. It is that of the Carrier's address of the Columbia County Register for Christmas 1840. The *Bloomsburg Register* was the first paper issued in this town. It made its first appearance in October 1826; its size was 10½ by 17 inches and was published by James Delevan. In April 1828, Thomas Painter purchased the paper and changed its name to the *Columbia County Register*. He continued the publication until April 1844, when it was discontinued.

Look for Christmas tree ornaments displayed in Phillips' window.

George William Curtis has written for the "Editor's Easy Chair" of HARPER'S MAGAZINE for January an enthusiastic opinion upon "A Hazard of New Fortunes," by W. D. Howells. Mr. Curtis says that the story is "what has been long desired and often attempted, but never before achieved—a novel of New York life in the larger sense." He continues: "Like Balzac, here is a sweet and open and generous mind, and a picture firm with clear insight and glowing with human sympathy."

The largest stock of elegant holiday goods ever opened in Catawissa, now at Truckenmiller's. Fine stationer's goods, plush and leather goods, albums, bibles, toilet sets, collar and cuff sets, jewel cases, work boxes, &c. Prices right. 12-13 2w.

See our Rose Jars, Extracts and Sachets.
J. H. Mercer.

Fine photograph Albums, frames and scrolls at.
W. H. Brooke & Co.

Ice cream at Phillips' through the Holida

C. C. Hagenbuch of Mahanoy City, and brother of Isaiah Hagenbuch of this town, died at his home Friday of last week, December 13th, after suffering over three years with sciatic and heart disease. He was born in Lightstreet, Columbia county April 27th 1835. He left Lightstreet in 1866 and established the drug business in Mahanoy City, which he followed up to the time of his death. He leaves a wife and four children, three sons and one daughter. Mrs. Hagenbuch is a daughter of Dr. John Ramsey, and sister of Mrs. C. W. McKelvy.

Blankets from $1.00 to $14.00.
at Sloan's.

Geo E. Reed's lecture last Friday was an interesting discourse. His facts were entertaining, and his manner of murdering the King's English was unique.

All adult purchasers will be presented with a handsome sachet envelope containing sachet powder at George P. Ringler's Druggist, North Main street, Bloomsburg, Pa.

UMBRELLAS FOR CHRISTMAS.—A rich and artistic Holiday line, Silk, Gloria and Gingham. Handles curiously wrought in silver and gold, from $1.29 to $5.00. Our $1.49 and $1.75 umbrellas are pure silk and wool, and are elegant for the money,
at Sloan's

J. Harry James, Esq., formerly of Centralia, where he had a large practice which made him a regular attendant at court for many years, is now residing at Ashland, where he has many clients and is part owner of a bright newspaper, the *Ashland Local*.

FOR SALE—Dwelling houses in Bloomsburg, Orangeville, Espy and Rupert Pa. Farms in Pennsylvania, Kansas and Virginia. Vacant lots in Bloomsburg. Store properties, Grist mills and other property by M. P. Lutz, Insurance and Real Estate Agent, Bloomsburg, Pa.

Full lines of Prints, Muslins, Ginghams, Underwear, Flannels, Stockings. Look at our full Regular made all wool ½ hose for Men at 25c.
at Sloan's.

Last Thursday morning the D. L. & W. R. R. Co laid a switch from their track across Seventh street towards the proposed site of the Electric Light Works, tearing up the track of the Belt line on Seventh street, in order to get across. This comes from the fight now pending over the Electric ordinance, and its sudden repeal.

Picture frames and framed pictures at Mercer's Drug and Book store.

FOR SALE.—House and lot in Rupert, lot 120 x 140 ft. Two story, double house, with nine rooms. Bay windows, out kitchen, ice and coal house, chicken and pig pen. Choice fruit, evergreen trees, good water, Two railroads. Twelve trains a day each way, to Bloomsburg, fare 8c round trip. Low taxes. A great bargain, if taken soon.

M. P. Lutz, Insurance & Real Est. Agt.
Bloomsurg Pa.

Good bargains in fine towels in all kinds of borders. Our line of 25c., 35c. and 50c. Goods are bargains at Sloan's.

East Benton.

The people look forward with hopeful relief at the approach of the closing of the hunting season.

The little batch of snow last Saturday called out the "merry, merry sleigh bells."

If a rabbit, pheasant or any other game animal escapes the hunters this year, we will attribute the circumstances to Providential intervention.

Again, Higbee, the general manager of the W. & W. Railway is trying to raise another railroad breeze, but——well, we don't know what.

The people along the Nob in Briarcreek township seem to think the prospect for coal oil is very brilliant. Quite a number of farms are about to be leased for boring and mining purposes. The people of our vicinity were once terribly excited over the same thing, and it was often remarked that coal oil would be cheaper than daylight, but as usual we all buy our coal oil by the quart and it is not very good at that.

The holiday season is again upon us and now is the time to remember the destitute with presents of a substantial nature. The COLUMBIAN would be a handsome resent to some one.

Mrs. Wm. Ipher has a cactus which has 150 posy buds. When in full bloom it will present a beautiful appearance.

For a diary for 1890, go to Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

Diaries for 1890 at
W. H. Brooke & Co.

Elegant assortment fine Dress Goods and fine Shawls. Fine new stripe cloth for 25c., just in at Sloan's.

HOLIDAY HANDKERCHIEFS.—The fullest assortment, all bright, smooth and clean styles, embroidered from 15c. to $1.25. Also children's embroidered handkerchiefs. Our handkerchiefs are all fast edge and will not come off in washing, also full assortment for Gentlemen. Look at our full size Gents' all pure linen hemstitched, one inch hem, wide borders, for 16c.; better goods than we sold at 25c. a short time ago. Remember, every thread pure linen at H. W. Sloan's.

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The Publishers of THE CANADIAN QUEEN offer to send their elegant publication for four months, FREE of postage, to each of our readers forwarding her address and only twelve 2c. stamps to cover ACTUAL EXPENSE. Every lady speaking to her friends of this offer and sending the names of ten for it, will receive either a handsome (16 cabinet) Photograph Stand, or Writing Portfolio.

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When everything else fails, Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy cures. 50 cents by druggists.

Holiday Excursion Tickets on the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Pursuant to the usual policy of aiding its patrons in the interchange of social visits during the holidays, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will, this season, place on sale at all its ticket offices, excursion tickets to be sold between the various stations on the system at the rate of two cents per mile in each direction.

The holiday excursion tickets will be sold from December 21st, 1889, to January 1st, 1890, inclusive, valid for return until January 4th, 1890, inclusive.

The arrangement, however, does not apply to the sale of excursion tickets between New York and Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington, in either direction, nor between any one of the above-named cities and any other of these mentioned.

[Communicated.]

KRICKBAUM ANSWERED.

A DEFENSE OF THE PERSECUTED COUNTY OFFICIALS UPON WHOM HE HAS BEEN VENTING HIS SPITE.

Editors COLUMBIAN:

As the love of reputation is commendable in public officers, so the defense of them in this particular is the business of every man of honor and honesty. We should run on such an occasion, as if a public building were on fire, to their relief; and all who spread or publish such detestable pieces as traduce their merit should be used like incendiaries.

It is notorious that the restless ambition and subtle machinations of the proprietor of the *Sentinel* manifestly tend to foment divisions in the party which honored him with his present seat in the Legislature. Like a fallen woman, this foul ulcer upon the body politic of the county, this newspaper scab, can conceive of no other way of diverting the public attention from his nefarious and dishonest acts of the past, present and in contemplation, than by seeking to drag down to his own level the reputation of our present Register and Recorder, and Prothonotary.

When we consider the mire of filth, degradation and nastiness in which he has his being; when we recall how, in his past political contests, he has seduced and corrupted the electors of the county; while the memory is fresh in our minds of the fact, that he took the oath of office in the face of the sworn affidavits of reputable citizens that he had used money in seeking to secure votes by bribery, and then, banishing every indication of shame, gloried in his ignominy, we are not surprised that, lost to all sense of virtue, his foul and festering tongue, dripping with gall and aquafortis, dictates the pen which seeks the vilification of such of the public officers as will not become his pliant tools. To the credit of the free electors of the county, as a manifestation of their belief in the honesty of the present Prothonotary, and Register and Recorder, as well as a scathing rebuke to, and condemnation of Krickbaum and his methods, these gentlemen were nominated and elected to their present offices in the face of his most bitter and malignant opposition.

Having thus set forth the animus of the creature, we desire briefly to refute some of the calumnies with which he fills his paper and poisons the sweet wells of language. For the more ready grasp of the understanding of the readers of this communication we shall meet the attack upon each of these officials separately, though the same matter is pertinent to both cases.

Through the efforts of Krickbaum last December, a new man, H. Clarence Freas, Ignorant of the duties of his position, was appointed Auditor of the accounts of the public officers. This was done contrary to the custom which has prevailed in this county for years past, of giving the audit twice in succession to the same person, thereby securing every second year, at least some one who was conversant with the duties of the appointment. Mr. Freas, being the creation of Krickbaum, was at once moulded into suitable shape for the purpose of carrying out the schemes of petty spite which continually revolves in his master's head. Dominated by Krickbaum, the new Auditor entered upon the discharge of his duties with the assumption that all his predecessors in the office had either discharged its duties ignorantly or dishonestly. Swollen with the fancied importance of being proclaimed a reformer, the poison of which idea had been poured into his attentive ear by Krickbaum, he went to the office of the Register and Recorder, Mr. Charles H. Campbell. Here, although it was his duty to do so, he made no inquiry as to the expenses of the office, but having finished his task to his own satisfaction and in line with the suggestions of his boss he reported to the Auditor General, stating that the work of the office was such that it could be performed by one man; that no deputy was needed, and that the sum of $250 was amply sufficient clerk hire. The incorrectness and injustice of such a report mus the apparent to any one conversant at all with the multiform duties which Mr. Campbell, acting in the two offices as Register and Recorder, is called upon to perform. During the term of the prior incumbent of these offices two, and at times, three assistants were employed, and at no time in the history of the county has the office been run without a deputy. In fact, when by a visit of Mr. Campbell to Harrisburg, the matter was taken up by the Auditor General, the State official at once set the report aside with the following pertinent remarks: "Does your Court appoint an Auditor to set the salaries of the employees of the county officials? The Auditor must be an ass; don't he know you are required by law to keep a deputy?" Evidently neither his boss, a maker of laws, nor the Auditor, an attorney at law, knew of the requirement, or else the assinine nature of their beings so predominated that they thought to override the very law itself. Having so expressed himself, the Auditor General directed Mr. Campbell, and Mr. Snyder who accompanied him, to return home and prepare and send to him a statement of the fees and expenses of their several offices.

By the Act of Assembly of 12th of June, 1878, the Register of Wills is allowed $2.00 for advertising each account. This act having been declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court, the Act of 2d of April, 1868, page 10 of the Pamphlet Laws, is in force, which gives to the Register for advertising each account the sum of $2.50. To this fee, under the law, amounting for 85 accounts to the sum of $212.50, Mr. Campbell was legally entitled, as much so as Mr. Krickbaum ever was to his salary as a member of the Legislature. (Mr. Campbell while in office has never been sued for demanding excessive fees, while the records of the Prothonotary's office show that Mr. Krickbaum was.)

After having sent in his statement Mr. Campbell wrote to the department that by special contract with the printer he had in fact only paid $1.00 per account, or $85.00 in all. Upon this information the Auditor General cut down the claim of $212.50 to $85.00. In this we think that high official was in error. An officer is entitled to all the fee allows, he must demand no more and should receive no less. But whether the Auditor General erred or not in cutting down the charge for advertising, no imputation can rest upon Mr. Campbell. He made out his statement in accordance with the fee bill and swore to it as a "correct statement of the fees and expenses of the office of * * * Register of Wills, &c." When Mr. K., in his article of Dec. 13th says, "the affidavit was untrue," and by innuendoes would lead the public to look upon Mr Campbell as a perjurer, he but shows his lack of every sentiment of honor and reveals himself in his true character as a disciple and legitimate offspring of Ananias. The charge of $26, which was disallowed, was the sum paid by Mr. Campbell to Geo. W. Sterner for his commission, for which Mr. Campbell possessed receipts, but which the Auditor decided could not be allowed under the head of "fees and expenses." In this Mr. Campbell was honestly mistaken, as many others have been in making up their accounts to be passed upon by superior officers.

But not content with lying insinuations of perjury, Mr. K., in the same article shows his blatant, bitter-hearted demagogism, and cries out "It is quite enough to beat the State, but the people should see that the county is protected." Wherein the county is to be injured by the bill rendered to the Auditor General either by the Prothonotary or Register of Wills we fail to see.

As the Auditor General allowed the full claim of W. H. Snyder, the Prothonotary, less the costs of his commission $66.40, that of itself is a sufficient answer to the attacks of Mr. K. through his sheet, and conclusive proof of the injustice done Mr. Snyder by the Auditor.

The question of the blanks, sold to the County Commissioners by the Prothonotary and Recorder, is prominently brought up in Mr. K's article of Nov. 29th, and after a lot of twaddle covering two columns of the "Sentinel," which few people will have the patience to read, he gives seven reasons why the bills of these officers for the blanks sold by them should not be allowed. Let us examine some of these reasons in their order. Mr. K. says: "1st The act is unconstitutional, in that an officer's compensation cannot be raised or reduced during his term of office." This act became a law on the 25th of April, 1889, and provides, "That from and after the passage of this Act, the County Commissioners of the several counties of the Commonwealth shall, at the proper cost of the respective counties, furnish the office furniture, books and stationery required for each of the county officers hereafter named, whose offices are located in the county buildings at the county seat, namely: Prothonotary, Clerks of the several Courts, Register of Wills, Recorder of Deeds, Commissioners and Treasurer; also, all needed fuel and light." This is the law of the State, and will remain so until repealed by some subsequent legislature, or declared unconstitutional by some competent tribunal. As Mr. K. is neither the Supreme Court nor learned in the law, and as he has so frequently manifested the entire absence of the last, or sixth, sense which goes to make up a complete man, it is to be presumed that the Commissioners felt safer in acting upon the advice of their counsel, learned in the law, than upon that of a legislator whose ignorance of the law is notorious. Under this act, the officers of Lehigh, Lancaster, Lycoming and other counties have been treated in the same manner by their Commissioners as our officials have by the Commissioners of this county.

"2nd. These officials are already compensated largely in excess of what they could earn at any legitimate business." If this is so, the remedy lies in an Act of Assembly, and as the Hon. (?) Mr. K. is a member of that body, he should at once see to it. By the way, gauged by the standard he sets up, what should Bill's compensation as a legislator be? This would be hard to arrive at, since it is so long since he has followed any "legitimate" business, or any business "legitimately." The farmers, who remember his vote in the interest of the railroads for the repeal of the fence law, would like to know how big a plum the corporations gave William. They would also like to know whether $1500 for about four months attendance at Harrisburg, $50 for stationery during that time, $100 for postage and an additional sum for mileage, isn't somewhat in excess of what William can earn at any legitimate calling?

The 3rd reason, viz: "The act does not intend the old and worthless blanks on hand should be paid for," is without force, as no such blanks were paid for. The proof of this assertion appears from the very fact that the commissioners after purchasing these blanks from the Prothonotary and Register and Recorder used them to supply these officers under the law passed. The only question is, were the blanks bought by the Commissioners at a fair figure? They paid Mr. Campbell $26.13 for blanks, and $16 25 for envelopes, ink, paper, &c., in all $42 68; this was just 25 per cent. less than cost price. And they paid Mr. Snyder $100 for blanks which cost $154, or nearly 33 per cent. less than cost. Now these were business transactions; the Commissioners were not compelled to buy of these officers, but it is to be presumed that, having the best interests of the county at heart, they made inquiry and found that they could not go to a better market. It is much to be regretted that Mr. K., who thought he held the Board of County Commissioners in leading strings, should thus lose a fat printing job; but, be honest William, and own that you have often of late realized that "the best laid plans of mice and men aft gang aglee." "Sub Rosa" William, there are men in the printing craft who would not hesitate to call you a "rat."

"4th, They have already made their claim on the State for their blanks bought, and were allowed the full amount." This is a direct lie, and the wayfaring man though a fool need not be deceived therein. A moment's thought will show him that the Prothonotary and Register and Recorder were simply allowed by the State for their blanks of last year, as only the accounts for that year were passed upon. The blanks, &c., sold to the Commissioners were the purchase of the present year and will not appear in the settlement of the accounts of this year as a claim on the State. The expense of blanks, &c., under the late act being placed upon the commissioners, will cease to be an item of expense in the accounts of the other officials of the court house. Just at this point, to correct an erroneous impression which may have fastened upon some minds from reading Mr. K's article, we desire to inform the readers of this communication, that instead of not having paid any tax to the State, Mr. Snyder, the Prothonotary, paid upon writs the sum of $252.11, and Mr. Campbell, the Register and Recorder, the sum of $475.30.

The balance of the reasons urged by Mr. K. being a tissue of transparent falsehood, call for no attention.

To give an idea of the value of the blanks in these offices, we here inform our readers when Mr. Snyder succeeded Mr. K. as Prothonotary he paid him the sum of $85.91 for the blanks he left, and Mr. Campbell paid his predecessor, Mr. Sterner, $32 for blanks left by him. It is fair to presume, that both Mr. K. and Mr. S., knowing their terms of office would expire soon, purchased no more blanks than were absolutely needed during the last six months they held office. Not only have the Prothonotary and Register and Recorder acted fairly in this matter of blanks, &c., but they have not even laid claim to that to which they are legally entitled. It will be seen that they have been furnishing their own blanks up to the 23rd of August, whereas they were entitled to them from the Commissioners from the date of the approval of the act, the 25th of April, or a period of four months; i. e. the same length of time for which Mr. K draws $150 from the State for stationery and postage.

We have several rods in pickle for the Hon. (?) K., but as our communication has already grown lengthy we shall hold them in reserve. From thorough acquaintance with Mr. Campbell and Mr. Snyder we feel confident that our assertion that they are gentlemen, both in and out of office, will be endorsed by all right-minded citizens. They are men of correct moral and domestic habits, pay their honest bills and never seek to cheat their employees or the workingman of his wages. They don't steal bonds, alter records or discount sheep orders. They don't get drunk, and they never turn their places of business into gambling rooms.

Adieu for the present, William, you may hear from us later on—we got across some of your tracks in Hbg, in Hbg!!! — — —

Dec. 16, 1889. X.

The Japanese department in Truckenmiller's store, Catawissa, is filled with lovely goods from the Orient. Vases, ice cream and fruit sets, creams, sugars, salad bowls, potpourri jars, cracker jars, teapots after coffees and hundreds of elegant and useful articles for Christmas presents. 12-13 2w.

The universal testimonial of all who have used Dr. Shattuck's Helianthus is that it is an excellent cough remedy, relieving coughs and colds, promptly without any ill effect. Try it.

You can buy a good watch small or large size for four dollars and warranted, at L. Bernhard's, opposite Central hotel.

Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, Collar & Cuff Boxes, Toilet Cases, Smoker's sets, Ink stands, Oder sets, Thermometers, Lookingglasses, Manicure sets, whisp holders, fancy letter paper, work boxes, games, lap tables, writing desks, fancy clocks, shaving sets and numerous other articles calculated to make both old and young happy at Mercer's Drug and Book store.

Gilmore's Toy Bazar is now ready fo the holidays. The store room on the first floor is filled with toys and candy. Upstairs are four large rooms devoted exclusively to toys of every description. If your little boy is to receive a visit from Santa Claus, go to Gilmore's and get a sled, a rocking horse, a train of cars, a wagon, a game, a gun, a desk; if your little girl is to be favored, you will find dolls of all sizes, colors and prices, dressed and undressed, sleeping dolls and speaking dolls, and above all the wonderful French flirting doll, that looks through her glasses, turns her head, fans herself to music that comes from within the pedestal on which she stands. There are also cradles, baby wagons, furniture, dishes, and a thousand articles from which to select, for boys or girls. Call early before the rush begins, and while the assortment is full. 11-29-5w.

Drunkenness—Liquor Habit—In all the World there is but one cure Dr. Haines' Golden Specific

It can be given in a cup of tea or coffee without the knowledge of the person taking it, effecting a speedy and permanent cure, whether the patient is a moderate drinker or an alcoholic wreck Thousands of drunkards have been cured who have taken the Golden Specific in their coffee without their knowledge, and to-day believe they quit drinking of their own free will. No harmful effect results from its administration. Cures guaranteed. Send for circular and full particulars. Address in confidence GOLDEN SPECIFIC CO., 185 Race Street, Cincinnati, O.—10-25 1y

Centralia.

A gold headed umbrella was lost out of a buggy on Sunday morning last, between St. Ignatius' church and the "Shanties." The finder will confer a favor by leaving it at Curry's hotel.

Hon. C. G. Murphy is rapidly improving in health. He is able to be up, and looks like himself again though still rather pale. After he fully recovers from his recent attack he hopes to be in better health then he has been for several years. His many friends all over the county will rejoice to hear this.

The announcement of the suicide of Franklin B. Gowen astounded everybody in this section. He was well known and highly respected all through the coal regions.

J. J. Laughlin, the agent of the Lehigh Valley R. R at this place, is filling his post with entire satisfaction. He had several years experience as assistant to the late H J. Ferguson.

Miss Maggie Moran, who is attending the Normal School at Bloomsburg, will spend her holiday vacation at home.

Manus McBrearty is the owner of a nice cane that was recently brought from Ireland.

The banns of marriage of Harry Gillespie and Miss Elizabeth Fogarty were announced in St. Ignatius' church by father Kennedy, on Sunday last. The wedding will take place within two weeks.

A sixteen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Cauly died on Sunday evening. She had been sick for a long time.

James McBrearty surrendered possession of his hotel to Harry Kelly on Saturday night. Mr. McBrearty and family have moved to Ashland where he has taken a position as agent for Yuengling beer at that place.

James Reilly has purchased the Ferguson property on Locust Avenue, and will take possession soon. Mulaski the present occupant will move to Morrison's building.

Robert Irvin has accepted a position with a wholesale house in Philadelphia, and has left Irvin Bros.

Among the candidates spoken of for office of Poor Director are James Thompson and Seth Thomas, on the republican side. They will contest for the nomination. There are a large number of aspirants on the democratic side.

Thomas Curry is taking his second year's course at Jefferson Medical College and will graduate in March. He stands very high in his class

We claim we have the best line of cheap books in Columbia County. The best paper, Best Bound and Prettiest books. Price 25 cents at Mercer's Drug and Book store.

Gift books of every description to suit all ages and tastes at W. H. Brooke & Co.

Interested People.

Advertising a patent medicine in the peculiar way in which the proprietor of Kemp's Balsam for Coughs and Colds does is indeed wonderful. He authorizes all druggists to give those who call for it a sample bottle *Free*, that they may try it before purchasing. The Large Bottles are 50c and $1.00. We certainly would advise a trial, It may save you from consumption.

To-Night and To-Morrow Night.

And each day and night during this week you can get at all druggists' Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs, acknowledged to be the most successful remedy ever sold for the cure of Coughs, Croup, Bronchitis, Whooping Cough, Asthma and Consumption. Get a bottle *to-day* and keep it always in the house, so you can check your cold at once. Price 50c and $1.00. Sample bottles free.

Consumption Surely Cured.

TO THE EDITOR—Please inform your readers that I have a positive remedy for the above named disease. By its timely use thousands of hopeless cases have been permanently cured. I shall be glad to send two bottles of my remedy FREE to any of your readers who have consumption if they send me their express and post office address. Respectfully T. A. SLOCUM M. C. 181 Pearl St., New York.
Nov. 22-11w.

PHILLIP'S DOMESTIC BAKERY.

Our great stock of fine Xmas candies does not dwarf our bread and cake interests.

We always keep our store well stocked with a fine line of cakes. It is especially so now, naming a few, we have Cream-puffs, Half-moons, Macaroons, Cocoanut and Almond Jumbles, Lady fingers, Pound and Fruit cakes. Our common cake boxes are always well stocked. We need not tell you that—in bread we take the lead. We never follow in anything new. We make over fifteen styles at present and are changing all the time.

To committees looking for pure Xmas candies to give their scholars, we would say examine our goods.

One thing we know IT IS PURE.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

In no other field is there so wide and varied an assortment to select from, as in the book trade. Every phase and condition of life is written up in readable shape. Here are books for the old and young, the grave and the good, the plain and fastidious. Books, too, speak the "common mind." They are always in good form to any person on any occasion; hence they are always acceptable presents.

We have taken especial care in the selection of our juveniles and books for the young.

We have avoided buying anything but good, wholesome books for boys and girls.

We have also a complete line of the standard authors and poets illustrated, by the volumes and sets. Fine calendars, gift books, photograph albums, and fancy goods.

A complete line of new and popular games, as well as the old standards.

Come and look over our line and compare quality and prices.

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Send 40c, 60c, 80c, or $1.00 for a superb box of fine candies, prepaid. 6 boxes of any one kind, to one address, for the price of 5. Suitable for presents.

Something new! Just grand! McKinty chips, 5 lbs. for $1.25 prepaid.

Sunday Schools intending to treat their scholars will do well by sending the name and address of Supt.

JOHN JACOBS, Confectioner,
134 Mill St, Danville, Pa.
12-13 3t.

For the holiday trade William Webb offers a fine line of Meerschaum pipes cigar holders, cigars, and all kinds of smoker's supplies. Fresh confectionery always on hand. Main street, next to Gilmore's. 11-29-4w.

WANAMAKER'S.

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, Dec. 16, 1889.

Store open evenings until Christmas Eve.

This is the time when fifteen acres of floor space counts for your comfort. The ample room allows you to buy here, even in Christmas time, with comparative ease.

Our own record in Men's Handkerchiefs is beaten. Hemstitched, size ¾, plain white, 1 and 2 inch hem, go from $6 to $3 the doz. Handkerchiefs! We have enough invested in them to start a bank. There is a big run on our Handkerchief Bank—the kind we like. The stock is boundless and the prices make a scramble for shares.

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1—Women's Handkerchiefs.