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MORE KIND WORDS.

BENTON Jan. 9, 1891.

EDS. COLUMBIAN:—Allow me to congratulate you on the enlargement of your paper which means "advancing with the times." With best wishes for your future. I remain respectfully,
J. G. McHENRY.

OMAHA, NEB. Jan. 7, 1891.

THE COLUMBIAN:—Permit me to express my admiration of your new face and form. Much as we liked you before we shall like you better in the future, and that you may not cease coming to us week by week we enclose check to pay your way. May this and future years bring you prosperity and a large list of subscribers which you now deserve more than ever, is the wish of
Your Old Friend
LOUIS ZAHNER.

JERSEYTOWN, PA. Jan. 5, 1891.

ELWELL & BITTENBENDER,
My dear Sirs:—Please accept my congratulations on the appearance of your paper. It is certainly an improvement.
Yours truly
W. C. JOHNSTON.

The COLUMBIAN came out last week in an enlarged form of eight pages, and a change of type, both of which added materially to its appearance.—*Tablet*.

The Bloomsburg COLUMBIAN, that old stand-by of the Columbia county Democracy, has been enlarged and changed to six-column quarto and is very much improved all around.—*Sullivan Review*.

The Bloomsburg COLUMBIAN is now an eight-page paper and greatly improved as a newspaper, and makes a neat appearance. The proprietors could, however, creditably retire some of its display type.—*Shickshinny Echo*.

The Bloomsburg COLUMBIAN comes to us this week changed from a folio to a quarto, printed on new type and very much improved in appearance. It is a good reliable Democratic paper. "Long may it wave."—*Wyoming Democrat*.

The Bloomsburg COLUMBIAN, edited and published by Elwell & Bittenbender, commences 1891 in a handsome new dress. The issue before us is No. 1 of Volume 26. The form is changed from four to eight pages and the make-up is attractive, while progress and enterprise are clearly stamped upon every page. Its patrons should, as undoubtedly they do, feel proud of it.—*Towanda Reporter Journal*.

The Bloomsburg COLUMBIAN has discarded the old blanket form and appeared last week in the same shape as the *Mail*—eight pages, six columns to the page—which is indeed a wonderful improvement. It comes out also with a new dress of type and looks as neat and rosy as a sweet girl with her ball dress on. The COLUMBIAN is the oldest paper in Columbia county, and ranks among the best weeklies in the State.—*Hughesville Mail*.

The Bloomsburg COLUMBIAN has been much improved in contents and mechanical appearance. It is now an eight page paper, with six columns to the page, the size and style of the *Record*. Its outside pages have been given a new dress, while its make-up is a great improvement over the old style. The publishers feel a just pride in their excellent paper and well they may. With last week's issue that journal began the twenty-sixth year of its existence and is the oldest and most reliable Democratic paper in Columbia county. Long may the COLUMBIAN continue to flourish.—*Milton Record*.

The plans for the Tube Works have been received and adopted, and there is no doubt about the location of the works here. The plans were made by an architect in Waterbury, Conn. The building will be 80 by 150 feet, with a brick stack 75 to 80 feet in height. It will present a fine appearance, being located in a new part of the town with a view unobstructed. It will be diagonally across the canal from the Electric Light Works. This enterprise will employ men, most of whom will be skilled workmen, and this will bring many new families to town. There will soon be a demand for houses, as there is scarcely a vacant house in town.

Mrs. Allen Mann of Beaver township died last week Friday. Her funeral took place on Monday. Her husband died several years ago.

CENTRALIA.

Philip Keller Esq. of Ashland is seriously ill. His many friends hope for his speedy recovery.

Judge Murphy is interested in the new National Bank to be started at Bloomsburg.

The friends of John P. Hannon were much disappointed at his failure to secure the appointment as commissioners' clerk.

Mr. Cray who was so seriously burned by gas at the Centralia colliery recently is much improved and strong hopes are entertained for his recovery.

Joseph H. Dawes is recovering from the injuries received by him at Centralia Colliery.

The Ashland *Local* of last week prints the following:

Mr. Alex McDonnell, and Miss Ellen Rooney, two of our most popular young folks were united in marriage at St. Ignatius Catholic Church on Tuesday morning, by Rev. Father Patterson, of Ashland, and Rev. Father Simpson of town. A. J. Timlin of Ashland was groomsmen and Miss Griffin of Philadelphia, was bridesmaid. Miss Mary E. O'Connor presided at the organ. The ceremony was performed with High Mass and was witnessed by a large number of relatives and friends. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. McDonnell were driven to the home of the bride's parents where a reception was held, attended by a large number of invited guests who extended to the newly married couple their hearty congratulations.

Why does not somebody send THE COLUMBIAN the news from Centralia every week. It has a large circulation here, and we know the editors will be glad to print the news from here if they can get it. Send it in, and they will put it in shape for publication.

CORPORATION ELECTIONS.

The stockholders of the Bloomsburg & Sullivan R. R. Company held their annual election on Tuesday, January 13th. The following persons were elected Directors: Morton McMichael, Samuel Wigfall, J. H. Ker-show, Henry C. Gibson, J. K. Grotz, W. R. Tubbs, William Neal, H. J. Conner.

The Board organized by electing Hon. C. R. Buckalew, President; Samuel Wigfall, Vice-President; L. E. Waller, Treasurer; H. J. Conner, Secretary; F. M. Leader, General Manager.

The New York, Bloomsburg and Western R. R. Company held its annual election on Monday, in Bloomsburg. The following persons were elected Directors: J. A. Blair, Gerand Thomson, W. J. Limerick, A. Z. Schoch, E. C. Wells, J. A. Funston, J. C. Brown.

The Board elected J. A. Blair, President; J. C. Brown, Vice-President; W. J. Limerick, Secretary and Treasurer. Executive Committee: J. A. Blair, Gerand Thomson, W. J. Limerick and A. Z. Schoch.

At the election of officers of the First National Bank of Bloomsburg, on Tuesday, the following persons were elected Directors: I. W. McKelvy, M. G. Hughes, J. P. Tustin, E. W. M. Low, and Myron I. Low.

The Board will meet for organization next Monday morning.

The following persons were elected Directors of the Bloomsburg Banking Company on Tuesday: Col. J. G. Freeze, I. S. Kuhn, A. B. Stewart, B. F. Hartman, B. F. Sharpless.

The Board organized and elected I. S. Kuhn, President; H. H. Grotz, Cashier; A. H. Bloom, Teller; F. M. Everett, Book-keeper.

At the election of officers of the North Mountain Lumber Company, in Bloomsburg, the following persons were chosen Directors: Morton McMichael, C. R. Buckalew, J. H. Ker-show, Walter McMichael, Henry C. Gibson. Morton McMichael was elected President, Samuel Wigfall Secretary and Treasurer.

The annual election of officers of the Briarcreek Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company was held in Centre Grange Hall on Monday the 12th inst, with the following result: Directors, George Conner, Lafayette Creasy, Philip Creasy, J. G. Swank, H. H. Brown, Chester Cope, I. A. DeWitt, H. C. Barton, Samuel Barton, Samuel Neyhard, W. M. Martin, Daniel Bry-fogle, A. W. Spear. The Board elected the following officers: President, J. G. Swank; Vice President, I. A. DeWitt; Secretary, A. W. Spear; Treasurer, George Conner; Executive Committee, Lafayette Creasy, George Conner.

WALLER

The funeral of Henry Sittler was very largely attended. He was 56 years old and leaves a wife and four children three of whom are married. Rev. S. I. Shortess preached the funeral sermon.

We are informed that Boyd Richie has taken two more boarders as a new years present.

The protracted meeting at this place has grown into an earnest revival. About twenty penitents presented themselves last week, and the church is now crowded every night. As the meeting has just merely commenced many more, no doubt, will yet turn from their evil ways and live for the good that they may do.

The Angel of Death has again appeared in our midst and taken Jacob Hirlman's youngest child. The funeral took place on Sunday. Rev. S. P. Boone conducted the services.

The lumbermen are wishing for some warm weather to take off some of the snow. There can be but very little done in the mountains now and it throws several out of work around here.

A great many railroad ties are being made and hauled to Benton this winter from this section. When the timber is gone and it certainly will be soon, the farmers will have to look out for something else to do in the winter; or perhaps the taxes will be lowered by that time and then it will not be necessary for them to work every day, both summer and winter.

AMERICAN MECHANICS.

The members of Bloomsburg Council, O. U. A. M., entertained their brethren of Montour Council, of Danville, and a few members of the Catawissa Council, on Tuesday evening. The visiting brethren arrived on the 6:36 train, and were met at the depot by a committee and escorted to the lodge room, where an address of welcome was delivered by Guy Jacoby, Esq. Responses were made by J. P. Bare, Esq., and Mr. Price. After the regular business was disposed of, the members went to the St. Elmo Hotel and partook of a dinner specially prepared by the proprietor, J. L. Girtton. One hundred and twenty-three men sat down to the tables, thirty-nine of whom were from Danville, four from Catawissa, one from Pittston, and the others from Bloomsburg. The tables groaned with good things. Roast pig, turkey, lobster, meats, vegetables, and all the delicacies the season affords, were served up in fine style, and all present united in voting Landlord Girtton a great success in getting up a meal.

After eating, the party returned to their Hall, where speeches were in order. At 11 o'clock the visitors departed on the Reading, well pleased with their treatment. Bloomsburg Council is the mother of Montour Council.

The *Daily News* of Lebanon, Pa. has issued an "Industrial Edition" of its enterprising paper. It contains ten large pages and is illustrated with cuts of many industrial establishments, and of prominent citizens. It booms the city of Lebanon, and shows energy and push on the part of its publishers, Messrs. Reinhard & Sharp. Lebanon is a live place, and no doubt this effort on the part of these progressive editors was fully appreciated by the good people who compose its population.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Evans of Berwick learned with profound sorrow of the death of their little son Francis. He was a beautiful and interesting child, and was the pet of the household. The funeral was held on Monday at half past one, the day that he would have been one year old. A number of friends went up from Bloomsburg.

Sarah Noecker died at her residence on Iron street Wednesday morning, 7th inst., at 9 o'clock. The deceased was the mother of Mrs. James C. Sterner and Mrs. Willits, of Bloomsburg; and Mrs. Edward Davies, of Shenandoah. Her age was 70 years and 3 months. The interment took place last Friday morning at Reed Station.

Five sample copies of THE COLUMBIAN were sent to our good friend John C. Wenner of Benton township last week. The result was three new subscribers. Such friends are worth having, and are highly appreciated by us.

The Almanac issued by the *Leader* of Wilkesbarre, is one of the most complete compilations of past and current events that we have seen. It is an epitome of useful information for all future time. The *Leader* has our thanks for a copy.

NORMAL SCHOOL NOTES.

The new term has opened very auspiciously, with about three hundred in attendance. The number of boarders is greater than last term by about fifteen. On the ladies' side of the dormitory, there are only five rooms unoccupied, while four rooms heretofore not in use have been filled with students. So that if the additional rooms had not been used there would now be about one room vacant. On the gentlemen's side there is only one vacant room.

The trustees have decided to cut up into students' rooms the space heretofore used for other purposes and thus provide for the large number of students that have signified their intention to come in March. According to indications the numbers in the Spring will be overwhelming.

The fact is that the strong additions just made to an already strong faculty, coupled with what the trustees have done in more thoroughly equipping the school, has placed the institution on such a firm footing that people who want to educate their children can't find a school where greater advantages are offered at such low rates. While new teachers, new appliances, new departments and additional comforts have been added to the school, the rates have actually been lowered.

Vice-Principal Coughlin has taken his place in the faculty and seems to enjoy his work as much as his work is enjoyed by the pupils. If he can find a suitable house, it is his desire to move his family to Bloomsburg soon.

Miss Perley, the new model school teacher, has already shown herself to be a master teacher. She seems to understand child nature, and mind development.

The Principal is busy from morning 'till night with his constantly increasing correspondence. Rooms are rapidly being engaged by mail for the Spring term, and there are quite a number engaged for next September. He writes as many as thirty letters a day sometimes. He is at work also upon his new book on Primary Grammar. He is to deliver a lecture at Millville on Saturday evening of this week. Mrs. Welsh will go to Jenkintown, near Philadelphia, in a few weeks to give an evening's reading. She was there about one year ago, and was liked so well that she is called back this year.

The seniors will take their final examination in Psychology under Prof. Welsh next Monday and Tuesday. Skating was good last week and every student that could muster a pair of skates, and many that couldn't, flocked to the race near the furnace to enjoy that exhilarating sport.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

An adjourned court was held on Saturday, January 10th, at 9 a. m., all the judges present.

The commission of Mordecai Millard as Associate Judge was read, and he was installed in office.

Inquest in partition awarded in estate of Daniel Vocum.

Return of private sale confirmed in estate of J. P. Sands.

W. B. Goodhart vs. W. J. Nungesser with notice, etc., execution against garnishee.

Estate of Andrew Runyan, rule made absolute.

Harriet A. Sterner appointed guardian of Edith E. Maize.

Com. vs. Ella Shoemaker, Annie Wood, prosecutrix, discharged under insolvent laws.

Report of committee on death of W. E. Smith, Esq., presented and the court orders it to be filed and a copy to be sent to the family of deceased.

Citation to executors of Franklin Rhodes to file account, awarded.

I. H. B. Lyons, a member of the bar of Schuylkill county, sworn in and admitted to practice in the courts of this county.

Sale of real estate ordered in estate of Susanna Hayman.

Sale ordered in estate of O. A. Jacoby.

Petition of George Hilday for order to invest funds in hands of G. W. Corell, trustee, investment ordered.

Adjourned to January 19th, at 10 a. m.

Towanda, with a population of 4200, has free mail delivery. Bloomsburg, with 4750 people, goes to the postoffice for its mail. What's the matter with our having free mail delivery here? Why can't we have it, as well as smaller towns?

The testimony in the suit between the D. L. & R. R. Co. and the Bloomsburg Belt R. R. Co. concerning the crossing below town, makes 375 pages of printed matter. The case will be argued before R. R. Little, Master, on the 23rd inst.

LIGHT STREET.

Mr. Johnson, of Michigan, visited at Alfred Irvin's this week.

Jacob Girard spent a short time in the city during the first of the year.

A surprise party was given at the residence of Chas. Lee, Jr., last week. Amongst the numerous guests were C. C. Trench and family, of Bloomsburg. A. C. Hilday drove a new turn-out on Saturday last.

D. L. Everhart was in town recently looking as well as ever, with the exception of advanced age.

Mrs. W. W. Crawford spent a few days at home with her mother, Mrs. Geo. Hartman, of Espy.

Frank Croup moved on the farm lately occupied by Harry Townsend last week.

ACTION OF THE BAR ON THE DEATH OF WILLIAM E. SMITH, ESQ.

The following paper was presented in the Court on Saturday, January 10:

To the Honorable the Judges of the Courts of Columbia County.

A special meeting of the members of the Bar of Columbia County was held at the office of Geo. E. Elwell at the call of Col. J. G. Freeze, President of the Bar Association on Tuesday evening, January 6, 1891, for the purpose of taking appropriate action on the death of William E. Smith, Esq., of Berwick, a practicing attorney in these courts, which occurred on Monday the 4th inst. at noon. The chair appointed as a committee on resolutions, Geo. E. Elwell, C. C. Peacock and Robert Buckingham. On motion of J. H. Maize, seconded by J. B. Robison, it was ordered that the minutes of the meeting, and the resolutions prepared by the committee, be presented in open court on January 10th.

In pursuance of said action your committee beg leave to submit the following report:

To the Bench and Bar of Columbia County:

Your committee appointed to draft resolutions expressive of your sentiments relative to the death of William E. Smith, Esq., late a member of this body, respectfully report the following:

That in the death of our late associate William E. Smith, the community has lost a valuable citizen, the Bar one of its brightest ornaments, and his family a loving father and husband. He was a man of education obtained by his own hard work, of broad intelligence, and never afraid to stand by his convictions. He was possessed of polished manners and refined tastes, and as a lawyer he was true to the interests of his clients, and always courteous to opposing counsel. He was not yet thirty-six years of age, and his taking off in the flower of manhood, with so much of promise before him, is a matter of universal regret.

Resolved, that we tender to the family of William E. Smith, the assurance of our sympathy in their bereavement of our appreciation of his character, and our respect for his memory and reputation.

Geo. E. ELWELL,
ROBT. BUCKINGHAM,
C. C. PEACOCK.

The court directed the report to be filed, and a certified copy of it sent to the family of the deceased.

The town election is approaching, and good men should be selected for the several positions to be filled. This town wants good light; it wants good fire protection. Extravagance is one thing, reasonable expenditures for modern improvements is another. In its present condition Bloomsburg cannot afford to go backwards. It is to the interest of every body that a council shall be elected that is in touch with the progressive sentiment of the community. Let the tax payers look to this.

Louise Arnot and her excellent company will appear at the Opera House three nights and a Saturday matinee, commencing Thursday January 15, in the following repertoire: "Thursday, 'Fun on the Bristol'; Friday, 'Leah, the Forsaken'; Saturday afternoon, 'The Little Detective'; Saturday night, '49.'" Prices, 15, 25 and 35 cents. Matinee, 15 and 25. Seats sold at Dentler's.

Excellent skating was enjoyed last week by lovers of this pastime, on the Irondale dam. Parties were made up every afternoon and the frozen surface was covered with graceful skaters. Mrs. J. R. Schuyler on several days took out a number of her friends in the large store spring wagon filled with straw and chairs. The participants were delighted with their trips.

Amelie Rives Chanler is seriously ill in Paris.

PERSONAL.

Miss Mary Derrickson, of Milton, is visiting friends in town.

Mrs. Crawford has gone to Superior, Wisconsin.

Arthur A. Clark spent last Sunday in town.

The little daughter of J. K. Bittenbender has been very ill for several days past.

Mrs. Dr. Biddle of Ashland, visited her mother, Mrs. Buckingham last week.

George Sloan is taking a business course in a Philadelphia Commercial College.

Judge Ikeler attended the funeral of Hon. A. H. Dill in Lewisburg on Wednesday.

J. W. Perry of Elk Grove was in town on Friday. Business is booming up his way.

W. R. Tubbs was called to Carbon-dale on Tuesday by the illness of his mother.

John L. Kline, county treasurer, has purchased the Mellick property on Fifth street, and will move to town in the spring.

William Hughes has had another operation performed on his face to relieve neuralgia from which he has been a great sufferer.

E. D. Rohrbach spent a few days in town after an absence of several years. He was formerly a clerk in W. C. McKinney's shoe store.

Capt. Gable, of Shamokin, deputy revenue collector of this district, was in town on official business on Tuesday.

Miss Staddon has gone to Philadelphia to accept a position as nurse in the Episcopal Hospital.

Invitations have been issued for the marriage of Miss Lottie L. Kuhn and Mr. J. G. Wells, on Thursday, the 22d inst.

Miss Martha Wells has been in a critical condition for the past week. Her many friends hope for her speedy recovery.

Miss Anna Heinbach went to Lewisburg on Monday to attend the funeral of an infant child of her sister, Mrs. Brown.

W. Clark Sloan came up from Philadelphia on Saturday to attend the funeral of his little nephew, Francis Evans on Monday, at Berwick.

Col. Freeze attended A. H. Dill's funeral at Lewisburg on Wednesday. At a meeting of the Union county bar he made some appropriate remarks concerning the deceased.

Judge Millard took his seat on the bench last Saturday, for the first time. He is possessed of good looks and good judgment, and will fill the position with dignity and with satisfaction to the public.

Fred Smith, proprietor of the European Hotel at Danville, and W. G. Kramer also of Danville, came up last week Thursday evening and took dinner at Blue's restaurant. They were much pleased with their treatment.

Dr. and Mrs. S. B. Arment were called to Philadelphia on January 3rd, by the death of the mother of the latter, which occurred on the 2nd. The funeral took place on Monday of last week. The Doctor and his wife returned on Wednesday following.

James Boyd Robison, of Bloomsburg, who was the candidate on the Republican ticket for Congress three years ago against C. R. Buckalew, was a visitor at Sunbury on Friday. He is the same jovial fellow he was when a candidate.—*Sunbury News*.

Judge C. G. Murphy and Senator Grant Herring attended the Jackson banquet in the Academy of Music, Philadelphia last week, Thursday. They reported it as a grand occasion. Nearly seven hundred representative democrats of the state and nation were seated at the tables. Ex-president Cleveland was the lion of the evening.

Two bums from an upper township spent Monday in town, and succeeded in getting their skins well filled with rum. In the evening they were fired out of two hotels, and spent considerable of the night in looking for a place to sleep.

The suit of William Krickbaum against W. H. Snyder for the price of printing the license list in 1880, tried last Saturday before L. Bernhard, I. Maier and John Masteller, arbitrators, resulted in a verdict of \$50 for the plaintiff. This is the amount Mr. Snyder offered to pay, and is the price charged by other publishers.

Monday, January 19th is license day in court.