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Show the COLUMBIAN to your friends.

Stern's Hotel is to have inside sliding blinds at the windows. J. D. Shaffer will put them in.

C. S. Duffy, the Photographer has leased a studio in Milton, and will conduct a branch gallery there.

Mr. Sherwood has rented G. W. Stern's brick house on Market street and will move there the first of April.

Dr. Lazarus and family will move from Mt. Carmel to the Barton farm below Bloomsburg, on April 1st.

William Kramer has sold his double house on East street to W. A. Hartzell for \$3700. The deed was delivered on Tuesday.

On Saturday last John S. Williams, auctioneer, sold the house and lot of M. T. Ohl on Third street to C. W. Runyon for \$1590.

"Uncle Rube" was pronounced to be one of the best shows that appeared at the Opera House during this season. The orchestra was also fine.

It is said that Mrs. William Cole will move back to the old place above Jamison City in the spring. The house is undergoing some repairs.

The Star Dramatic Company went to Orangeville last Saturday afternoon with Fleckenstein's four horse team, and gave an entertainment in the evening.

Miss Annie Lockard received a pair of young alligators from Florida by express on Monday. She does not know who sent them.

There came very near being a didn't know it was loaded accident with an old gun, at the Opera House during the rehearsal for Queen Esther. Never fool with any kind of a gun.

Hon. James Fritz and J. W. Zimmerman of Natickock, were in town on Saturday. Mr. Zimmerman is a contractor and builder, and his card will be found in this paper.

C. W. Kline, the Hazleton lawyer who had such a narrow escape from the burning of the Hotel Royal, recently destroyed by fire in New York city, has sent his check for \$500 to the fireman who saved his life.

A Supreme Court paper book is being printed at the COLUMBIAN office at the rate of 28 pages a day, which beats the record. The fastest work ever done in this county before was 20 pages a day, and that too was done at this office.

L. N. Moyer and C. C. Peacock talk of erecting a three story brick building on the corner of Main and Market streets in the spring. It will be a double building, and the first floor will be occupied by S. F. Peacock & Co., in its present location, and the adjoining room by J. Wesley Moyer as a stationery store.

An interesting time is expected in Millville next week. The Valley Grange, No. 52, intend holding a farmers' institute, commencing Thursday evening, March 10, and to continue during Friday and Friday evening. A very interesting programme has been prepared, and among the speakers from other places will be Dr. Groff from Bucknell University.

In less than a year people will be traveling between Pottsville and Minersville on a new electric railway. On Saturday a charter was granted to the Pottsville and Minersville Electric Railway Company. The company starts out with a capital of \$100,000. The parties interested are said to be Ex-Congressman Charles N. Brumm, John F. Finney, D. D. Philips and others, who are connected with the Shenandoah, Ashland and Mahanoy City Electric Railway Company.

The amount of logs expected to be floated into the Williamsport boom this season is estimated to be about 180,000,000 feet, a decrease of 83,000,000 from the amount rafted out last year. The boom at Lock Haven has not yet been hung, the ice remaining in the Susquehanna river at that point. All of the lumbermen anticipate an early opening, and it is likely that the stock will be sawed unusually early. The men who look after the weather indications are fearful, too that the full supply of logs will not reach the market. There is no snow in the woods and the floods in the small streams may not be heavy enough to float the logs to the river. It is possible, therefore, that the output of the year will not reach 180,000,000 feet, and the supply of lumber is more likely to be short than otherwise.

TOWN TOPICS.

William H. Gilmore is fond of a joke, and he is generally one of the first to get on to any new gag or game that is calculated to take somebody in, in an inoffensive way. His latest investment is in one of the new money printing machines. You put in a blank piece of paper, turn a crank and out comes a nice, clean, crisp bank note, apparently made to order. Of course, the bill has to be put in beforehand, but to the unsuspecting, the money appears to be made right before his eyes. A few days ago he exhibited the machine to one of our townsmen, and turned out a five dollar note which the latter, after careful inspection, pronounced to be as good as any genuine money. Then he wanted to take it home to show his wife how easy it is to make money. After some persuasion Mr. Gilmore sold him a few slips of the blank paper that comes with the machine for fifty cents, and loaned him the apparatus.

The next morning our townsman returned the machine, and said there was something the matter with the blamed thing; that he couldn't astonish his wife worth a cent, because after exciting her curiosity by telling her that he could make five dollar bills by turning the crank, he put in one of the slips of paper and turned, and turned, and pretty soon the slip came out blank, just as it went in, and then his wife laughed at him and said she guessed he was sold, and he said he rather thought so too. Then Gilly said "Oh, I forgot to tell you that you can't get any money out of it unless you put some money in beforehand." Then the victim called up the house, and they all "smiled."

Another gentleman who saw the machine, wanted to buy one. He said he would pay twenty-five dollars for it but Gilly wouldn't sell. "Of course" said the would be purchaser, "I wouldn't circulate counterfeit money, but I am about to make a hoss deal with a friend of mine, and I would like to have that machine just long enough to make sufficient money to beat him out of his hoss, though I would pay him in good money after having some fun with him."

Gilly wouldn't sell, but pulled a handful of what appeared to be fresh coins out of his pocket and said, "Here's a good thing I can let you have for ten cents on the dollar. They are just new, and no one can tell the difference." His victim examined the coins carefully. They looked like quarters and ten cent pieces, and had a genuine ring to them, but he soon saw they were not just like the old coins so he declined to take any. "You dont catch me handling counterfeit money, and you had better be careful or you will get juggled for a few years." Then Gilly smiled aloud. "The coins were genuine silver money, being of the new design, and he had obtained them at the Philadelphia Mint, for the purpose of playing the joke that worked so well. Now that the boys have caught on, however, he is not offering his coins at ten cents on the dollar.

One of the prisoners in the county jail stole a pair of stockings from another prisoner one day last week. They were discovered in the possession of the stealer. Occupants of Fort Mourey should lock up their boudoirs when they step out.

Historical Society.

The meeting of those interested in the formation of an Historical Society was not so well attended on Washington's Birthday as it should have been, owing to the meagre notice that had been given. Col. J. G. Freeze and C. G. Barkley, Esq., of Bloomsburg, and Capt. John M. Buckalew, of Fishing-creek, were present. In the absence of Mr. Hill, of Hazleton, Col. Freeze was chosen temporary chairman. The business transacted was of an informal nature generally, except that the report of the Committee on Constitution was received and a Constitution adopted. It will be published in our next issue. A meeting to further perfect the organization, elect officers, etc., will be held in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. building of this place at 11 a. m. on Thursday, March 17th.—*Berwick Independent.*

Mr. W. M. Multer, secretary of the Pennsylvania Railroad Y. M. C. A. and formerly General Secretary of the Berwick Y. M. C. A. was married to Miss Ida B. Walton at the bride's home in Plymouth on the 23rd ult. The bride has for the last two years been a missionary to Mexico, under the auspices of the Presbyterian Board of Missions, and returned home only a few weeks ago. They will reside in Philadelphia.

RUN OVER BY THE CARS.

A YOUNG MAN'S LEG CUT OFF.

Last Friday afternoon at about 2:30 o'clock, Charles A. Thomas had his leg cut off at the weigh scales below the D. L. & W., depot, by being run over by the cars. He is the telegraph operator of the D. L. & W. Co., and had charge of the weighing of cars on the Bloomsburg & Sullivan road. A freight train of the latter was backing in the switch to be weighed, and just before reaching the scales Charlie attempted to cross the track close to the moving cars, to get a key to unlock the scales from Joseph Casey, one of the B. & S. men. In stepping over the second rail his left foot was caught under it, and before he could release himself the cars were on him. He threw his body off the track and thus saved his life, but his left leg was so mangled that it had to be amputated about five inches above the knee. The leg was taken off by Dr. Gardner, assisted by Dr. Honora Robbins. The sufferer exhibited great pluck throughout. He is a son of Zachariah Thomas, and has been living with William Thomas on Sixth street for some years. He is an industrious young man, and he has the sympathy of every body in his misfortune.

EAST BENTON.

Our community has been shocked by the report of several very sudden deaths within its bounds for the last week. Mrs. Alexander Campbell was buried last Sunday, who the previous Tuesday fell from her chair dead.

Bile Stevens, of New Columbus after returning from his mother's funeral last Thursday, died very suddenly before medical aid could be obtained. He died in the midst of his friends at his deceased mother's home, to which they had returned for refreshments.

These are sad circumstances which call forth the sympathy of the whole community in behalf of the bereaved friends. Mr. Stevens was also buried last Sunday.

Several new cases of grip are reported. Here and there one whose recovery from that disease seems doubtful.

Ed Laubach who lost his left hand some time ago is selling off his goods at auction. We presume it is preparatory to filling up and refreshing with new goods.

James McHenry of Cambra is selling at cost this week and next week to make room for new goods.

Miss May McHenry of Cambra is also afflicted with grip.

The protracted meeting at Hamlin has closed.

Mrs. Benjamin Stevens whose death we reported last week left six surviving sisters instead of five as reported.

Mrs. Sallie Ashleman has been confined to her room for a couple of weeks. How fortunate for our family that her sickness did not occur several weeks sooner. She is now convalescing.

Iram J. Derr eldest son of Calvin and Harriet Derr, and grand son of Hon. Iram Derr, of Jackson, was born Oct. 24th 1872, and died Feb. 24th, 1892 aged 19 years and 4 mos.

The above was an excellent young man, highly respected and honored by all who knew him and will be greatly missed by the family and community.

The stroke is a severe one to the parents to whom he was ever kind, respectful and obedient, and to whom he was a great help and comfort, as also to his grand-father to whom he was greatly endeared by his kind and helpful ways both toward himself and his wife. He was a model boy, quite free from the vices and follies so common to young boys generally.

The funeral was attended by a large concourse of friends and neighbors, and took place on the Lordsday from the Jackson Christian church. The services being conducted by Rev. D. M. Kinter of Scranton Pa., assisted by Rev. Wm. Strickland of Jackson. The bereaved have the sympathy of the entire community.

The stuff furnished for the columns of the *Sentinel* by the fellow who lays awake nights to study up devilry for that paper, is the merest twaddle. The *Columbian* is for Cleveland first and has always been for him. If it favored some body else why shouldn't it say so? We have never made a practice of promising what we could not deliver, nor of pretending to be for a particular person, and secretly working against him all in our power. That style of politics is left to the owner of the *Sentinel* and his western adjunct.

There are a great many people afflicted with the grip in Bloomsburg.

BENTON ITEMS.

Miss Clara Parker and Miss Wright of Philadelphia are stopping at the McHenry house.

The injunction that was served on Dr. Colley did not hold good. He has gone back to Lehman where he expects to move his family this week.

W. H. Smith of Milton, moved his family here last week. He is having a fine building erected near Rohr McHenry's store for the printing of the *Benton Argus*. This will be a great addition to our town. The first issue will be published about April 1st.

Mr. Lee Belles expects to move about the middle of March. He is going where Dr. Colley's family now resides.

Mrs. Everett attended the cantata of "Esther, The Beautiful Queen," in Bloomsburg last week.

H. T. Everett is on the sick list.

We expect to have a new plank walk leading from Main street to the School house. Mr. Brown is to oversee the work. It is a much needed improvement.

Art Colley and Arden Hirlman made a trip to Bloomsburg on Saturday. They visited Clyde Hirlman of the Normal School.

The surprise party at Mrs. Dodson's on Friday night was a grand success, about seventy-five persons were present. G. S. and C. B. McHenry opened their hall for the accommodation of the young people who had a good time playing their games.

Art Colley expects to attend the Spring term of school at the Wyoming Seminary.

Ira R. McHenry the undertaker had five funerals to attend on Sunday last.

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The assertion in last week's *Sentinel* that our article written upon the subject of the Poor Director's was a malicious misstatement of facts, we denounce as untrue. We were informed that one of the Candidates went to the *Sentinel* office and asked to have their names put up as the regular nominees, and also offered pay and were refused. On the same day, we were called upon and asked to publish the names, and did so without hesitation. As the names did not appear at the mast head of the *Sentinel*, nor at any time a line urging the election of the nominees, we concluded the report was true, and made the statement to show the ill treatment of nominees, and for no other purpose. Upon inquiry we learn that our informant misunderstood the candidate. We therefore retract that portion of our article. But so far as the circulation of the tickets without the names of poor directors, is concerned, we saw the janitor at the Court House circulate them in the commissioners office, and what our eyes behold we know to be true. The *COLUMBIAN* does not need to make itself solid with the directors for any purpose, their names were placed at the head of the paper for 3 consecutive weeks, and sufficient tickets were printed to assure their election. The two democratic members elected, have been on the board a term or part of a term, and are men of good judgment, capable of making their appointments without any interference from the obscure end of the *Sentinel*, the ex-secretary of the Agricultural Society and ex-(mis)-representative of the people of Columbia County.

EXCHANGE HOTEL CHANGES HANDS.

On Thursday morning the Exchange Hotel changed hands, James McClosky and John Tracy having bought out W. R. Tubbs. The new proprietors are young men of energy and enterprise, and will do everything in their power to merit the patronage of the traveling public. Mr. McClosky has been assistant manager of the business for some years, and thoroughly understands how to run a hotel. Mr. Tracy is a man of pleasing address, and the new firm will undoubtedly prove a popular one.

Mr. Tubbs has been the proprietor of the house for a dozen years or more. No more popular landlord ever catered to the wants of the public. He is a man of progressive instincts, and has been and is president of more organizations calculated to benefit the town than any other man in Bloomsburg. He will retire from the business with the best wishes of everybody.

Some improvements, repairs and changes will be made in the hotel.

People with delicate stomach find Ayer's Sarsaparilla agreeable to the taste, and, therefore, prefer it as a blood-purifier to any other. This is one reason for its great popularity as a spring and family medicine. Safe, certain, and palatable.

ABOUT THOSE TICKETS

"Now let us look at the ticket business and see how near they came to the truth on this question. It is true that the tickets first printed at this office on Monday evening did not contain the names of the poor directors. The tickets were printed just as they were ordered by the candidates, without one name added or taken off, and the reason that the tickets were printed without the names of the poor directors was simply this—it was the opinion of all that the tickets would be voted just as they had been in the past—the town ticket to go in one box and the poor directors to go in a separate box. When the poll opened Mr. Buckingham and Mr. Brown went to the election boards and induced them to use but one box, thereby making it necessary to vote poor director on the same ticket. Then it was that tickets were ordered with poor director on including the name of Mr. Dentler, with vote left blank. * * * This is the whole story about the tickets and what could have induced the *COLUMBIAN* to so maliciously misrepresent the facts is more than we can understand. Certainly any man with any regard for truth and decency would not have done so."—*Sentinel*, Feb. 26th.

Well, let us see how near we came to the truth about the ticket business. In the first place, the above admits that one thing we said was true, namely that the tickets first printed at the *Sentinel* office did not contain the names of the Poor Directors. In the second place we have the positive assurance of a reliable man who was present when the tickets were ordered that no order was given to leave the names of the Poor Directors off, but on the contrary it was fully expected that the tickets would be printed with the names of all Democratic candidates on them. William Krickbaum was present, so he cannot play his usual trick of putting the blame on the manager, or the reporter, the boys, or somebody else. On the morning of the election when it was found how the tickets were printed, the person who called for them refused to take them because the Poor Directors' names were not on them, and he came to the *COLUMBIAN* office and got some tickets that were printed according to law and custom. This omission of the names; the fact that persons in Krickbaum's employ solicited votes for others than the regular Democratic nominees for Bloom Poor Directors; and the further fact that William Krickbaum and John S. Williams had a quarrel in the Prothonotary's office the day after the election, and the former attempted to apologize in the evening by saying that he was in a bad humor because he did not like the way the election went, all point to the inevitable conclusion that the names were intentionally omitted.

But he says the reason why the tickets were so printed was "that it was the opinion of all that the tickets would be voted just as they had been in the past—the town ticket in one box and poor directors to go in a separate box." The tickets have not been so voted in the past. Within our recollection, we have never printed the poor district tickets as a separate ticket and J. C. Brown, editor of the *Republican*, says that he never printed them in that way. Finally, we have been handed a ticket identified as containing the names of persons voted for at the Bloomsburg election in 1889, the last poor district election, and also identified as having been printed at the *Sentinel* office at that time and in the body of the ticket it contains the names of C. A. Klein and L. M. Pettit for poor directors; not on a separate ticket, nor separable, but all under the head of "East District," and to be voted in one box. In the face of these facts Krickbaum's claim that the tickets were printed just as they had been in the past, is too thin. If he had said that he had forgotten how he printed them only three years ago, it might have been excusable. In all that we said, there was neither malice nor misrepresentation. We have given the facts as they exist, and can be proven, and "any man with any regard for truth and decency" would not attempt to deny them when confronted by such evidence as the ticket printed by himself at the last poor district election and in the very way which he says it has not been printed in the past.

This subject has already occupied too much space, but when we have the proof positive of our statements at hand we shall not withhold them when accused of "malicious misrepresentation."

March 2nd was Ash-Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Services were held in the Episcopal and Roman Catholic churches.

Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown. Emperor William of Germany is realizing this just now. The mobs in Berlin do not make him sleep any better of nights.

PERSONAL.

C. H. Dildine, of East Greenwood, was at the County seat Thursday.

Mrs. F. M. Gilmore is visiting her sister at Manheim, Pa.

Miss Nellie Snyder of Dansville, N. Y. is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Fies Brown.

Mr. Samuel Wigfall and Capt. H. J. Conner went to Philadelphia on Thursday.

Harry Mendenhall has accepted a position in Huber's drug store at Williamsport.

James M. Dewitt of Jamison City, was in town on Monday. He conducts the meat market up at the city.

Mr. Philip Unangst fell on the pavement in front of Reice's Meat Market, Thursday morning and dislocated his shoulder.

Mrs. Dr. Gardner was summoned to North Carolina on Monday, by a telegram announcing the serious illness of her mother.

Rev. D. M. Kinter passed through town on Wednesday on his way home at Scranton. He was here to attend the funeral of Iram J. Derr at Derr's.

Mrs. Dr. Edward F. Smith of Goshen N. Y., spent a couple of weeks with her relatives here, returning home last Friday.

Robert McBride, who has been employed at Berwick painting the Wood-in-Mansion, returned home on Tuesday with the painters' cramp.

Chas. J. McHenry was visiting his relatives in this county last week. He is engaged in the musical instrument business at Richmond, Va., and during his stay here he sold a piano at Benton. He is a composer of music and an expert performer on the piano.

March came in like a lion. There was a snow fall of several inches.

There are only three prisoners in the county jail.

S. C. Creasy's planing mill started up on Monday. A new whistle has been put on the boilers.

There was a Leap Year ball given in Grand Hall on Feb. 26th. It was a grand success.

The town clock stopped on Tuesday morning, but was soon started again. The snow blocked the face on the north side and stopped the hands.

There will be a special court-to-day Friday, for the argument of the Doty case. Several Wilkesbarre attorneys are concerned in the case.

Ira Davenport, father-in-law of Geo. W. Stern, had a paralytic stroke at his home in Plymouth one day last week. He is 80 years of age.

Ira McHenry, the Benton undertaker, had charge of five funerals on Sunday last. They were in Jackson and Benton townships.

J. H. Maize Esq. is an applicant for the position of Town Treasurer. His office is centrally located, and he would make a popular officer.

The Calliepie Society will give a special entertainment in Normal Hall on Saturday evening at 7:15. The programme will consist of music, debate, tableaux, recitations, bayonet-drill and addresses.

During 1891 9,414 candidates were initiated as Knights of the Golden Eagle in Pennsylvania. The Castles of this State during 1891 paid benefits to 5,137 brothers and relieved 109 widowed families. The total amount of relief paid by the Castles of Pennsylvania in 1891 was \$120,392.

Bloomsburg people are said to be much pleased with their new system of water works.—*Dushore Review.* Bloomsburg has good water works, but as the system has been in about twelve years it is not very new.

THE CAR SHOPS.

J. K. Lockard and R. W. Oswald went to New York on business on Wednesday.

The shops at present have contracts for 250 coal cars for the New York, Susquehanna & Western R. R. Co., 50 box cars for the same Company, and the contract for all the iron work for the coal schutes of Port Reading docks, for the Philadelphia and Reading R. R. Co., besides numerous miscellaneous orders for dump cars, mine cars, wheels &c., and the rebuilding of a number of cars for the N. Y. Susquehanna & W. R. R. This road runs from Stroudsburg to New York.