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LIBERTY.

A. F. Martz is under full headway in the ice business, supplying our citizens. One of his wagons has just been turned out by C. Trescott. It is a thing of beauty. The blacksmith work done by N. Walker.

Every preparation is being made to celebrate memorial day in Berwick. 100 girls will present the flowers for the graves of the heroic dead. It is Columbus year, and we intend to be behind no other town along the river. The best of talent is engaged for oratory and music, vocal and instrumental. Rev. A. Stapleton, our talented Evangelical minister will deliver the oration. E. J. Bowman is preparing a memorial account of the heroes that lie in our cemetery. Societies and organizations from abroad will swell the procession.

Jas. Chamberlain caught a salmon recently that weighed 10 lbs.

Wm. Bitler, Nescopeck, is supplying our citizens with excellent fresh fish.

Hudson Owen has sold out his large coal market to Joseph Lily.

The corner stone of St. John's Lutheran church was laid last Sunday at 2 o'clock by the pastor S. B. Stapp. The day fair and the attendance large.

The convention of the Christian Endeavor last week in the Evangelical and Presbyterian churches was a grand success. Large audiences, interesting speeches and statistics of progress throughout the state. Delegates from Danville, Bloom, Milton, Sunbury, Wilkesbarre and Williamsport were present. Prof. Richardson our popular Principal of schools, presided admirably. The respective pulpits of these churches were elaborately adorned with flowers. It was a gala time.

J. C. Fowler has recently returned from Florida after an absence of 5 months; comes back looking well; visited St. Augustine, the oldest Spanish town of North America. He reports fine times; came via New York and gazed upon the great Fleet. Mr. Fowler has traveled extensively and has had extensive experience. His numerous friends here are glad to see him. Reports fruit in good shape in Florida.

Our laundryman, Alonza Sult will soon rig up his fine little steamer for summer excursions on the canal. This is a splendid little boat, and young people avail themselves of pleasure rides and excursions every summer.

David Baucher, our old efficient mason is now engaged in selling excellent paving stone and laying street crossings. He has a large quantity of stone on hand for the market.

Wm. Wright has taken charge of his brother's livery stable. Doc Hess still at the stable.

J. F. Bittenbender, of Nescopeck, has just returned from an extensive tour in the south and the extreme west among the Indians of Indian Territory and Texas; was gone 10 months; is now putting up a house in Nescopeck for Nathan Yohey.

Daniel Reedy is putting up Heller's new building and has the contract of putting up Freas Fowler's new barn; he is an old established builder and mason of our community. Our burnt out district is being cleaned away for new buildings.

Klinetob Bros. on the old Bower corner of Front and Market are under full headway in the furniture line and undertaking. They have recently received a large fine installment of furniture from New York and Philadelphia. They make the best show in their line in town. Enterprising young men, they are bound to succeed, and have already met with fine success.

A. E. Shuman is running a fine business in the insurance line. He was the popular agent for the Penna. R. R. Co., at Nescopeck.

Alem Rittenhouse has been for years with the Diselhurst furniture store, and has become one of our popular young business men.

J. Taylor Evans, the son of our bridge keeper Jas. Evans, proposes to depart from our town and take up his residence in Danville with Prof. C. E. Sutton, traveling artist, for a few weeks assisting him in the work of artistic painting. His many friends wish him success.

J. Harvey Hess attended the session of Grand Castle, Knights of Golden Eagle at Lancaster recently.

Fred Frantz has been off to Phila. on a visit.

A. P. Breihof of Chambersburg, has been visiting friends in Berwick.

Rea Dieterich was married to Miss Sallie Foust, of Pittston, Tuesday night at Wilkesbarre. His numerous friends of Berwick wish him a happy voyage on the matrimonial sea of life.

Wilbur Little, M. D., has just returned from Philadelphia Medical College where he recently graduated with honors; is looking well and his many friends are glad to see him.

Benj. F. Gough is also an horticulturist, and shows a fine garden of tomato plants, peas, salad, celery and cabbage plants. He is successful every season with plenty for the early market of gardening or vegetables. Benjamin is always in time and successful. He is also an essential part of the rolling mill.

Tailor Hertz has just received some beautiful samples of Spring and Summer Suits; is prepared to dress up any man in elegant style.

Wm. Baucher the mason is putting up a fine residence in upper Berwick. Lenhart is under full head way in the ice cream business. His parlors are a fine resort.

Wm. Wright has exchanged places with his brother in the livery business. This is an established livery stable capable of furnishing the finest Carriages & horses.

G. B. W. Hosler has put up a beautiful wagon for C. A. Fenstemacher for peddling milk. It is an elegant turn out. Painted by Jno. Schisler, who is boss at the business. Mr. Hosler's business of Carriage building has required an annex to his works.

Jno. Smethers, our great horticulturist, is now under full headway with his usual success. His ample gardens and hot beds make a fine show. Jno. knows all about it.

House builder and contractor, Mr. Poust, is busy putting up several houses in town.

Theodore Fowler is raising a fine crop of tomato plants that find ready sale.

Edward Wilson is papering and renovating his home.

Mr. Thiel, who left the bottling business this Spring, and who is now on his farm, is suffering from rheumatism.

The crops are looking fine and the sun has dropped down several feet.

Robt. Welsh is the sprightly youth who is running Flotric engines and lighting up our Berwick.

Saul Ikler is putting a nice home on 2nd St. W. O. Switzer, Wm. Bernard and Jas. Liska are the masons, Scott Seiler is the carpenter.

CENTRAL.

Mr. Editor this week I will write you mostly about our trout that brings the most exciting sport to one, that loves the art of catching the speckled beauties. The season only fairly opened this week owing to the condition of the season being cold and high water. But Saturday the 13th inst. brought us some that will vouch this as the truth that saw with their own eyes as fine a lot of trout that could well be caught by the same number of persons in one day again; Frank Mastellar about seven pounds, and most all large ones. Four or five others passed through with their baskets full, numbering from seventy-five to one hundred and fifty each. The day seemed to be good for fishing and many spoke as though they missed it by not going a fishing too.

The gardens are mostly made for the early vegetables, the grass is growing up, everything looks cheerful and during the summer season this is a pleasant section to live in.

Rev. Houtz and Mr. Perry went fishing recently. The Rev. thinks that Perry don't fish long enough it one hole. He says where he used to fish they could sit down and wait for a bite.

Mr. Lutz has started an ice cream parlor at Central.

Quite a number of our people were at Bloom on a law suit the past week, which has made Central rather quiet.

Soon we expect to see lots of fisherman and candidates for office—will say all are welcome, come sooner and often.

As a Pastors Union we hereby recognize with appreciation the stand taken by the Bloomsburg Artificial Ice Company in not delivering ice on the Sabbath as eminently fitting and in keeping with God's Holy Law and for the best interests of all concerned, believing that the moral influence on the community as well as those engaged in the business will be for the better. And we hereby express our approval of their action and call upon the citizens of the town to sustain them in it. Adopted by the Pastor's Union, May 15, 1893.

John McGarvey has been appointed postmaster at Mordansville.

HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT.

The second Commencement of the Bloomsburg High School will be held in the Opera House this (Friday) evening, beginning at half past seven o'clock. The following is the program:

Piano Duett.....Le Sylphes.....Bachmann.
Invocation.....Rev. W. G. Ferguson.
Essay....."Practical Remedies for the Evils of Immigration."
W. Grier Quick.
Music....."Onward Bonny Boat,".....Kuchen.
Oration....."Strawshow which way the wind blows."
Charles Kesty.
Recitation....."The Doorstep,"
Lillie M. Keller.
Music....."Cradle Song,".....Mendelssohn.
Recitation....."The cry of to-day,"
Kitty Cadow.
Essay....."How may the Public Schools be improved?"
Julia H. Furman.
Declamation....."A Piece of Bunting,"
Horace Kramer.
Music....."Hail the Merry Month of Roses,".....Gaul.
Essay....."Success in Life,"
Mary Morris.
Recitation....."The New Church Organ,"
Mary Kline.
Essay....."Money,"
Joseph L. Townsend.
Music....."Moya Town,"
Clara Kunkle.
Recitation....."Good Night Papa,"
Clara Kunkle.
Essay....."Class History,"
Eura Williams.
Recitation....."An Order for a Picture,"
Lillian V. Roberts.
Music....."Stion,".....Rodney.
Essay....."Compulsory Education,"
Jennie M. Sutliff.
Oration....."A Brief History of Education,"
Harry J. Achenbach.
Music....."Class Song."
Presentation of Diplomas, by the President of the Board of Education, Jno. R. Townsend.
Music....."Now, Good Evening, Now, Good Night,".....Brubans.
Benediction.....Rev. G. E. Weeks.
Music under the direction of Prof. Butts.

MIFFLINVILLE.

The fine weather for the last week or two has clothed our beautiful village in its best suit.

Mr. and Mr. George E. Zimmerman returned last week from Buffalo, Niagara Falls, &c.

A very quiet wedding took place here last week, Mr. Boyd Dodson, M. D., of Wilkesbarre was married to Jennie Smith of this place. They have our best wishes.

W. J. Meyer's remains were brought here from Rock Glen and buried some time ago.

The members of the G. A. R. are making arrangements for memorial day.

We are much pleased to know that one of our very best democratic citizens is a candidate for Commissioner, who we believe will receive the almost unanimous support of the democratic voters of our township, and no doubt of the county also. We refer to Mr. Joseph G. Swank.

A. M. Huttenstine is building a residence on his lot recently purchased.

LIGHT STREET.

Mrs. B. F. Reighard is spending a few days with her mother at Sunbury.

Harry Fine of Newark, N. J., is visiting at his old home.

Mrs. J. H. Henrie and nephew, H. W. Terwilliger of Jerseytown visited friends in town last week.

H. E. Heacock is improving the appearance of his houses by treating them to a coat of paint.

We are glad to see John Musselman on the streets again, after being confined to the house for several weeks with broken bones.

The public schools will close Thursday of this week.

Paul Tustin of Bloomsburg, delivered an address in the M. E. church last Sunday evening.

Two farmers were not long since discussing their local paper. One thought it had too many advertisements in it. The other replied: "In my opinion the advertisements are far from being the least valuable part of it. I look them over carefully and save at least five times the cost of the paper each week through the business advantages I get from them." Said the other: "I believe you are right—I know that they pay me well and rather think it is not good taste to find fault with the advertisements after all." Those men have the right idea of the matter. It pays any man with a family to take a good local paper for the sake of the advertisements if nothing more. And if business men fail to give farmers a chance to read advertisements in the local paper, they are blind to their own interests to say the least of it. "You never trade with me," said a business man to a prosperous farmer, "You have never invited me to your place of business and I never go where I am not invited; I might not be welcome," was his reply. —Press & Printer.

ESPY.

Mr. Charles Miller and wife of Plymouth spent Sunday with friends in our town.

Mr. and Mrs. William Zeigler from Kansas are at present visiting in this section.

Mrs. Lizzie Foust of Milton spent Sunday with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. P. Bomboy of this place.

Miss Joe McCollum and Mrs. Lillie Ringrose left for Williamsport on Tuesday morning at which place they expect to spend a week visiting among friends.

The new Evangelical church was dedicated on last Sabbath. The meetings were well attended, and the contributions liberal.

Mrs. Mary Frane is still critically ill.

Rev. Sechrist will hold services in the Lutheran church on next Sabbath evening.

Mr. James Fowler has so far recovered from his recent illness, as to be around again.

Rev. C. L. Sones, the former pastor of the Evangelical church at this place, attended the dedicatory services of that church last Sunday.

J. H. Miller, the station agent, has presented himself with a new safety bicycle, which he purchased of C. R. Miller one day last week.

Ed. Stetler expects to start a bakery in the canal grocery building.

Lemuel Moods lost an interesting boy about twelve years of age—on last Tuesday morning with diphtheria. The rest of the family who have been suffering with the same disease are convalescing.

Mr. Samuel Seitz and family from Philadelphia are at present the guests of Dr. Redeker and wife.

Mr. E. B. Pursel had what might have been a fatal accident on Tuesday of this week. While painting near the roof of the new town hall, the ladder on which he stood, became disconnected and threw him to the ground below. He was badly bruised and severely shaken up but no bones broken. It was a high fall and Mr. Pursel is to be congratulated upon his narrow escape.

EAST BENTON.

Russel Shultz, of Benton township died on last Wednesday morning, aged a little over 65 years. He was a great sufferer for many years.

C. J. Ash, of Stillwater was suddenly taken ill during the obsequies over the remains of Russel Shultz at Hamilline on last Friday. The symptoms of attack resembled apoplexy.

If you wish to find out how the wind blows set a brush heap afire near a fence some dry time.

Anthony Lutz's sale of house hold goods was well attended on last Saturday.

Hiram Depoe's wife was not able to attend the funeral of her father last Friday.

At this writing it threatens rain and the oats are not all sown yet.

This 13th day of May, the fruit trees are not yet out in full bloom, and the woods have a nude appearance.

We met Benny Gibbons last Saturday evening returning from fishing. He basketed 101 speckled beauties, but we cannot vouch for their aggregate length.

Harmon Stine said that he caught 71 nice trout last Friday, but he did not say how "big" they were. They are nice of course when they are little.

A. R. Stine and wife contemplate taking a trip West soon. They have two sons living in Nebraska—George and William.

Several correspondents to various local papers have described the mad career of the several streams during the rains and late freshet. We believe that Raven creek beats them all.

In spite of hard times the farmer will plow and sow, and reap and mow.

We predicted that Barnum's show would not amount to much as it was too far from Benton.

No matter how hot the fight may grow in the coming canvass for political preferences, the Democracy of Benton township should retain their present Committeeman, John G. McHenry. If every township in the state had such a committeeman Pennsylvania would always be Democratic.

Mrs. C. E. Hower is reported to be dangerously ill at her home. She was first taken sick last Thursday, and since then has grown much worse, until her case has caused some alarm in the family. It is a species of La Grippe.

THE CIRCUS.

Barnum & Bailey's greatest show on earth was in Bloom on the 11th inst. It exhibited in Pottsville on the 10th, and left there in good time in the evening, and started up the Catawissa branch of the P. & R. road, but soon came to a tunnel too small for its cars, and they had to back out and go back to East Mahanoy Junction, and go around by Sunbury and West Milton. The result was that the first section did not reach here until 9 o'clock, and the trains were not all unloaded until 2 o'clock. A large crowd gathered at the D. L. & W. depot at 4 o'clock in the morning to see the trains come in but they were disappointed. The delay prevented the parade, and hundreds of people who had come in especially to see this, went home without attending the show. It was three o'clock before the doors were opened, and the pressure at the ticket office was great. Several women fainted and some strong men came near it. The seating capacity of the tent is said to be fifteen thousand and nearly every seat was filled. In the evening about seven thousand people were present. The performance was up to its usual high standard, though owing to the lateness in opening, the programme was cut considerable, and many people lost watches and money. One man was relieved of \$130. A number of houses in town were visited by sneak thieves during the circus and more or less goods were stolen.

The show closed at ten o'clock in the evening, and in just one hour everything had disappeared from the ground. Loading the wagons on the cars took some time longer. It was interesting to watch the system with which the work was done. Every man had his particular work to do, and every piece had its own place. The bosses ordered the men around like so many cattle, and the immense canvass was taken down and loaded on the wagons in short order. The wagons were loaded on the cars by a rope and pulley one team of horses pulling them up an inclined plane easily. It was four o'clock in the morning before the last section of cars left Bloomsburg, for Wilkesbarre.

THE PARISH HOUSE CASE.

The trial of the case of Jonathan Bachman against the Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Paul's church, Bloomsburg, took place in court last week, resulting in a verdict for the plaintiff for \$548.

The evidence showed that the Building Committee who were authorized to erect the Parish House, made a contract in writing with Thomas Gorrey to complete the building for \$5,650, and that they paid Gorrey that amount and held his receipt in full. It also appeared that Gorrey made a written contract with Jonathan Bachman to lay the walls up to grade line for \$1.00 a perch, and above that line for \$2.50 a perch. Gorrey alleged that under this contract he had overpaid Bachman \$108, and produced receipts, substantiating this claim. Bachman however, while he admitted the written contract, alleged that there had been a change of that contract between him and Gorrey, and that as the stone were not furnished as it was agreed they should be, that Gorrey had promised him that he should have extra pay for the work. Gorrey denied every allegation of Bachman's. The court left the whole matter to the jury, and they found as above stated. A number of exceptions were taken to the rulings of the court as the case progressed, and also to the charge and answers to points. An appeal will be entered and the case taken to the Supreme Court.

Church Repairs.

The work of repairing the Lutheran Church will soon be commenced. The building committee after many meetings decided that it would not be expedient to remodel after the plans submitted—the expense would be too great for the additional seating room gained. The former plans will therefore be abandoned and others substituted which will lessen the expense and beautify the present edifice, giving additional seating. The plans will be submitted to the congregation for approval after which work will be commenced and pushed rapidly to completion.

The residence of Glasco Cameron was entered on Monday night and a can of lard stolen. The lard was in the cellar and the thief entered by the cellar door, which had been left unlocked by mistake. People cannot be too careful about locking up at night.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. W. S. Rishton is visiting her mother in Philadelphia.

F. H. Sloan spent Sunday at home with his father and family. His residence is in Baltimore.

Dr. Andrews of Lewistown has been visiting his sister, Mrs. William Garrison.

Mrs. Pierce Foulk has been suffering from an attack of rheumatism which has confined her to the house.

Matthew McReynolds spent Sunday at home with his parents. He is engaged with the engineer corps on the Wilkesbarre & Western R. R.

Jacob Baker of Mountain Grove was among the recent visitors to town. He reads THE COLUMBIAN and pays in advance.

Mrs. O. A. Megargell and Margaret S. Eves of Orangeville have been to the World's Fair at Chicago, and were registered at the Pennsylvania State Building last Friday.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Upon petition the Court decreed an allowance of \$2.50 per week to Edith Maize.

I. L. Edwards appointed guardian of John G., Laura J. and Flora A. Hess, minor children of Barnett Hess, deceased.

The following sheriff's deeds were acknowledged in open court.

To the Ashland Saving Fund Association for the property of M. W. Brennen et ux, consideration \$50.

To George Bitner for property of Geo. Rishel, consideration \$370.

To Louis Steen for property of Elijah P. Albertson, consideration \$3000.

To D. F. Wagner for property of Abram Hartman, consideration \$1991.

Carl Grosser naturalized as a citizen of the United States, B. W. Cole being the witness.

John F. Chapin vs. Z. A. Butts and Alfred McHenry, captias in trespass and cutting timber trees. This case was called on Friday. His Honor John A. Sitzer of the 44th Judicial District specially presiding.

The jury returned with a verdict for the defendants. A motion has been made for a new trial.

In the matter of the alleged lunacy of Mary A. Pursel of Hemlock township, the hearing was before Hon. C. G. Murphy Associate Judge, Saturday morning the 13th ult., by the following jury, Samuel Prentiss, Alinas Cole, C. S. Furman, Patrick Burns, G. H. Pennington and I. W. Cherington.

All the traverse jurors not empaneled were discharged.

The adoption of Sofarus Bencotter by Joseph Kishbach, decreed.

Inquest in the lunacy of Mary A. Pursel filed, finding her a lunatic. Dr. J. B. Montgomery appointed committee.

Report of sale of Isaac Vetter, deceased, confirmed nisi.

S. D. Neyherd, H. J. Conner and Wm. Mastellar appointed re-viewers on a foot bridge across Fishingcreek, near Forks.

Samuel Neyhard, Eli Ohl and Seth Shoemaker appointed viewers of a bridge in Greenwood township, near George Greenly's.

J. C. Brown, Henry Miller and John A. Shuman appointed viewers of a road in Mifflin township, near Mrs. S. Yohe's.

S. D. Neyhard, Eli Schneidman and Jesse Hoffman appointed viewers on a road in Benton, near John Heacock's.

Sale of real estate of Jacob Fritz, deceased, ordered.

Auditor's report in the estate of John Grantz, deceased, confirmed nisi.

JERSEYTOWN.

Quite a number of our town people took in Barnum & Bailey's show last week. They reported it good.

Mrs. J. H. Henrie visited her parents at Lightstreet over Sunday.

Wm. Holdren is the happiest man in town. Its a boy.

Geo. Beyers and wife paid Geo. Ande a visit on Sunday last.

Florence Kreamer and Ola Welliver spent Saturday and Sunday with James Lowry near Strawberry Ridge.

William Hartline who has been confined to the house for the past winter, we are glad to hear is able to be about again.

Dr. R. B. Fruit and W. W. Smith from Hazleton are visiting friends in town this week.

Dr. J. E. Shuman and wife are visiting friends in Mainville this week.

The farmers in our section are busy with their corn at present.