Bloomsburg Methodism.

Rev. W. G. Ferguson having completed a three years' pastorate in the growth of this church during these

During this period the material prosperity of Bloomsburg has been able assistant, Mr. Burdge, the physiremarkable, and it is with a feeling of cal forces of the students are kept in excusable pride that we note that the spiritual growth and temporal pros- fested at this gymnastic exhibition. perity of this church has kept pace with the town.

churches in this part of the conference. from abroad to take part and add to aid said Company same as Friendship members was reported as 316; at regular drill of male and female the matter deferred that time there were also about 90 students, (which is always entertainprobationers on the roll, the result of ing) there will be heavy gymnastics a revival during the last year of Rev. and graceful tumbling by experts. The S. W. Sears' ministry. Of this num- ladies, generally graceful in moveber about 75 were admitted to full ments, will entertain the audience with membership after completing their a hoop drill and other popular entersix months' probation according to tainment. the rules of the church.

A large number of Methodists were Bloomsburg, and during the three will entertain the audience. years covered by this article more members by certificates from churches in other localities.

A union revival meeting was held in the Opera House in the winter of 1893, this church joining in the services, and in 1894 a successful revival was conducted in this church, the pastor being assisted by the celebrated revivalist, Mrs. Grace Weiser

As a result of these meeting about 90 persons united with the church, other orb passes between the earth but during these three years this church like all others experienced light from it is thus dispelled by the some loss by deaths and removals. These number about 40, so that at the present time there are about 640 full members.

Another successful revival was conducted in the church the present winter under the leadership of Evangelist Osborn.

About 80 of these converts have joined on probation. Among those already mentioned as having joined the church are a number who were converted at the Y. M. C. A. meetings or at the Mission chapel on 8th Street, or at cottage prayer meetings. While the church has thus increased

in numbers about 100 per cent, the benevolent collections also increased. Although the missionary collection does not show an equivalent gain the increase is about 50 per cent over that of 1892, or an increase from \$627

to about \$950. Kev. Ferguson will have a good reous church and flourishing congrega OBSERVER.

ONE MONTH'S WORK.

The report of the work done by the

Y. M. C. A. during the month of February is as follows: 4 Gospel Meetings, Sunday Attendance,.... 766 Average attendance, 192 6 Prayer Meetings, attendance,... 57 4 Gospel Meetings at Jail, at ... Professed Conversions Visits to the sick, 54 Attendance at Rooms, except Letters written, 202 Directed to Boarding houses,.... Employment found for Otherwise assisted, 10 New members and renewals,

Boys' Brigade attendance, 67 The interest in the work now is greater than it has been anytime in the history of the Association and it is for the good of the town that the ed by the Pennsylvania railroad cominterest should be maintained. To secure this result every friend of the serviceable, has outlived its usefulness. Association should take care of the The total deficiency of the company work financially and do it promptly,

Boys' Bible Class attendance, .. 90

Next Sunday March 17th, Mr. Myron I. Low, of Lime Ridge, will address the Men's Meeting on the subject, "The Changed Man," giv-ing the results of Salvation. The half hour song service is grand. So say the men who attend the meetings.

It is now claimed that Pennsylvania should have a Grow county, and that Shickshinny should be the county seat. If Luzerne has the requisite area and population to justify it the entertainment and sell medicine be-Quay county men want to look to tween the acts. All persons under their laurels or the Grow county their laurels or the Grow county their Quay ten cents admission. They will no Third street. The fire was extinguish-sult in all the county and nearby county plans.

NORMAL GYMNASTICS.

Programs for the coming Gymnas tic Exhibition at the Normal, on Fribe amiss to give a brief resume of the this office. To the public we would say there is a treat in store for attendants. Under the efficient management of Professor Aldinger and his good training as will be clearly mani

There will be 400 home participants in the exercises, besides a half It is becoming one of the leading hundred more who will come here

The town athletes will also be given a chance to display their physical included among those who moved into grace and talent. A class of twenty

Believing it deserves it we bespeak than 200 were added to the roll of a full house on this occasion, the second annual Gymnastic Exhibition at the Normal.

The Moon's Eclipse.

Many an eye was turned skyward last Sanday evening to witness the eclipse of the moon, which orb, according to science, was then for a time totally eclipsed. The general and erroneous impression that some and the moon and thus obstructs our astronomers:

"Whenever the earth stands directly in a line from the sun to the moon moon and the result is the eclipse. The sun being so much bigger than the earth causes the resultant shadow to assume the shape of a cone, with the earth as its base. The point of brother of Colonel Fitzsimmons was a the shadow cone is 850,000 miles away. But the moon is only 240,000 miles away. The time of the eclipse, therefore, is the time required for the that Craig assisted in his defeat. Tomoon to travel through the cone of day Colonel Fitzsimmons published darkness.

To those who because of the cloudy sky failed to get a good glimpse there may be some comfort in the fact that on September 3 there will be another Colonel Fitzsimmons charged Craig may be some comfort in the fact that on September 3 there will be another total eclipse."

Frederick Hartman Dead.

port to make to conference and can Columbus on Friday of paralysis. he found Deputy Craig awaiting him turn over to his successor a prosper- The deceased had reached the age in the dining-room. After an exchange of 82 years and was full of honor in of hot words the lie was given and the community in which he spent his long life. Mr. Hartman is survived gentleman, struck the Colonel, who is by one son, Mr. Cyrus F. Harman, a tall and heavy built, a blow in the prosperous merchant of Dunkirk, N. face. Colonel Fitzsimmons sprang Y., and four daughters, Mrs. J. I. Callendar, Huntington Mills; Mrs. Silas Cavenee and Mrs. Amos Hart- to the floor. The Colonel then fell man, New Columbus; and Mrs. D. upon his antagonist and struck Craig Kauff, of Asbury Park. The funeral

man, of New Columbus, was probated Deputy Craig had his face bruised and Professed Conversions 8 daughter, Caroline, his household Tracts distributed, 60 goods. He orders the balance of his Baths, 97 line, the other three parts are given to his daughter, Orcelia, Charlotte and Esther. Cyrus F. and Amos Hartman are appointed executors. The property is valued at \$2,500 .- Mountain Echo.

CANAL TO BE ABANDONED. The Old Pennsylvania Has Become Use-

less and Unprofitable.

The old Pennsylvania canal, the forerunner of the present magnificent system of steel rails, is to be abandonpany. The old waterway, once so is \$160,216. From year to year, for so the Association does not run into years, the revenue of the canal has been steadily diminished, until it finally shows a burdensome loss. Starting at Columbia, on the Susquehanna, the Pennsylvania canal branches out north and northeasterly, extending to Clarks' Ferry, Newton, Hamilton, Northumberland, Nanticoke and Lock Haven, penetrating the important Wyoming coal region.

> A two weeks free show is on the boards at the Opera House. An Indian doctor and his troupe give the doubt gather in a good many dollars. ed before the firemen got there.

COUNCIL MEETING.

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Council was held last Thursday Bloomsburg M. E. church, it may not day evening the 15th, were printed at night. The following members were present: Knorr, Sterling, Yost, Wil son and Creasy.

In the absence of President Drinker, Vice President Knorr called the meeting to order.

Minutes of last regular and special meetings were read and approved.

Representatives of Rescue Fire Company were present and through George Shultz, wanted to know whether or not the town intended to In 1892 the total number of full the home attractions. Besides the and Winona Companies. Action on the matter deferred until arrival of

Building permits were granted as

Eighth Street for addition to Methodist Mission Sunday School.

For house for J. C. Millard on East

First street. Bills were presented, read and

Secretary directed to issue orders as Water Co., 54 hydrants Feb ... \$86 67 Sentinel, adv. and ord...... 8 00 cock & Co.'s store. Stephen Knorr, smithing, &c.. 11 65 When the double Steam Co., for January 38 93 " "February..... 35 47 a portion of it will be occupied Five policemen for February.. 60 00 Rev. W. C. Leverett and family. Secretary for February..... 20 00 Adjourned to Thursday evening

A PERSONAL ENCOUNTER.

March 14th.

Deputy Collector Craig Attacks Colonel Fitzsimmons and Is Soundly Thrashed.

A decidedly sensational encounter occurred in a prominent dining room in Scranton last Saturday evening between Colonel F. J. Fitzsimmons, a Democratic orator and a delegate to the shadow of the earth covers the the late Democratic National Conven tion, and William Craig, deputy United States internal revenue collector for this district.

At the late municipal election the candidate for Alderman of the Eighth Ward, an office worth \$5000 a year. He was defeated and it was charged over his own signature an open letter to internal Revenue Collector Grant with a number of things, including opposing regular Democratic candidates at the late general election.

When Colonel Fitzsimmons went Frederick Hartman died at New to his hotel for his supper this evening up, pursued the deputy to a corner of the room and threw him over a table several blows upon the face before was largely attended on Sunday, Rev. Dr. J. L. Killgore officiating.

The will of the late Frederick Hartmons escaped without a scratch, but mons escaped without a scratch, but his eye discolored. The end is said

The Fish are Dying.

The deadly mine water from the Jeddo tunnel, which has been emptying into the little Nescopeck creek in Luzerne county for the past two weeks has played havoc with the fish, and they are dying by the hundreds. The banks along the Creeks beyond Conyngham are literally strewn with them, and the farmers are kept busy carting them away. The sight seems to have a certain fascination for curiosity seekers, judging from the many people that are seen along the banks of the stream .- Shickshinny Demo-

The Keystone Foundry and Machine

For the purpose of electing a board of management the stockholders of steen last Saturday evening. The result of their effort was the selection of the following named gentlemen: Wm. H. Snyder, L. S. Wintersteen and Theodore F. Conner, the latter named gentleman being assigned to duty as general manager of the work. As to the intent, purpose, and capacity of this company we respectfully refer the reader to their advertisement elsewhere in this issue of the COLUMBIAN.

MOVING NOTES.

I. Saltzer will move his residence to Mrs. Sterner's property on Main street below the railroad. His music store will remain where it is.

Mrs. M. A. Watson will move into the building vacated by J. Saltzer.

John Jacobs will move his barber shop to C. A. K'eim's store room recently vacated by him.

James Reilly will bring his barber shop down stairs, to the room now occupied by John Jacobs. William Beers will move to I. W.

Hartman's property on Main Street, now occupied by K. C. Ent. C. Columbus will vacate the frame building on Market square. He has

not yet secured a store room for his candy factory. Miss Wasley will move her millinery

store across the street to one of Moyer Bros' new store rooms. Dr. F. W Redeker will move from Espy to Bloomsburg and will occupy the house of John Pursell on Centre street

now occupied by D. W. Kitchen. Thos. B. Hanly Esq., will move his law office to rooms over S. F. Pea-

When the double house of W. H. Housel on Normal Hill is completed, a portion of it will be occupied by

Charles B. Ent moved last Thurs day into Rev. F. B. kiddle's property on Centre street.

Howard Snyder has moved into one of the new houses on Fourth street, next to the Snyder & Magee Co's.

A. H. Bloom will move into his property on West street.

Charles Cooper will move to Mr. Cherrington's new house on Park

Wm. Kashner moved last Thursday from Leonard Street into Dr. Fox's house on East Street.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

At an adjourned court held on March 7th, the following business was transacted:

Inquest in partition awarded in estate of Hannah J. Chamberlin, dec'd. Estate of John Appleman, dec'd. Application for an issue refused. Petition of H. A. M'Killip, receiver

of Bloom Iron Co., for sale of real estate filed. Rule granted. Returnable April 1st at 3 p. m.
Ash Bros. vs. Berwick Water Co.

New trial granted unless plaintiffs remit \$2777.00 within 60 days. In the matter of Benton Borough, xceptions dismissed and report

Grand Jury in favor of Borough, confirmed. Petition of John E. Davis for per

mission to take up his license granted Jan. 28, filed. Petition of Silas E. Moyer in estate

of Jacob Moyer, dec'd. Rule granted,

returnable next term. Court convened pursuant to adjournment, on Monday March 11th at ten o'clock. Judge Rice, President Judge of 11th Judicial District, specially presiding, and Associates Murphy

and Millard on the bench. The argument in the Vanderslice-Snyder case is mentioned elsewhere. Jennie E. Terwilliger vs. Warren S. Terwilliger, divorce decreed.

Lydia J. Frett vs. Michael Frett, divorce decreed. Petition of Oscar Camp for removal of guardian filed.

Anthony Foy appointed guardian of Mary G. Jerome and Geo. F. Dona-

Adjourned to March 29th at 2 p. m.

THE HOWER CASE.

Judge Rice of Wilkes Barre presided in Court on Monday, with Associates Millard and Murphy, the business before them being to hear argument in the Vanderslice - Snyder case. Two rules had been taken by counsel for the defendant, one being a rule on David R. Hower, a juror, to show cause why he should not be punished for contempt for talking about the case with outsiders during the trial, and the other being a rule for a new trial. Both were argued together. the Keystone Foundry & Machine Counsel taking part were Fred Ikeler Co. met at the office of L. S. Winter- and C. G. Barkley, Esqs.. for the rules, and J. B. Robison and James Scarlet, Esqs., against them. Judge Rice took the papers and reserved his decision until March 29th.

STILL BURNING.

The Mammoth Guess Candle in Gidding & Co's. window is still burning. It was lighted Friday evening March 1st at 7 P. M. At 2 P. M An alarm of fire last Thursday night inches. It looks good for at least

DEATHS.

After ten years of suffering, death relieved Mrs. S. B. Creveling, at 11 o'clock on Saturday morning, at her residence No. 111 West Broad street, Hazleton. Deceased was born at New Columbus, this county, in April 1820, and is aged 74 years, 10 months and 21 days. She has been a resident of Hazleton for the past 25 years, and during this time had cultivated a large circle of friends. Mrs. Creveling's illness dated back for several years and for the past ten years she had been confined to the house, and since September last was bedfast.

When she was fourteen years of age she joined the M. E. church, and ever since has been a devoted and faithful christian. She was a cousin to Bishop Bowman of the M. E. church. Those that survive to mourn her loss are C. J. B. Creveling, city treasurer-elect; Millard Creveling, of Montana; Mrs. A. A. Stevens, of New Columbus; Mrs. Amos Buckalew, of Bloomsburg, and Mrs. Ella Bernhardt, of Hazleton. Death was due to consumption, aggravated by a complication of other diseases,-Hazleton Standard,

Mrs. David Herring, of Orangeville. aged 81 years, died at her home last Sunday about 11 A. M. She was a consistent member of the Reformed church, and died as she lived in the full enjoyment of the respect of those with whom she came in contact. She is survived by two sons and five daughters. Interment at Laurel Hill Cemetery. Funeral on Thursday at 10 o'clock.

It will no doubt surprise the many friends and acquaintances of Mrs. Rebecca Carman to hear of her death in the country, at Mr. Laubach's, on the 10th instant, after a very brief sickness. Having for years beer industriously

and profitably engaged in the millinery business in the country, at New Columbus and Benton, she had recently put her savings in a beautiful home near the Normal School and located on East Third street, Bloomsburg. Here she no doubt expected to pleasantly spend her remaining days in retirement from business. But fate is inexorable, and it frequently frustrates our best laid plans. So it was in this case. She died in mid life as she lived, in the full enjoyment of the respect of those with whom she had social intercourse and moral and business relations. Peace to the ashes of Rebecca Carman.

A PLEASANT PARTY.

On Wednesday evening of last week the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. George Ruckle was greatly surprised by the arrival of about seventy of their good friends of Orange and Centre townships. They had a good time and a good oyster supper. Mr. and singer. Mrs. Ruckle certainly know how to entertain a party.

Those present were: P. V. Closson and family, Urbanus McBride and family, J. E. Sitler and family, Josiah Lowery, wife and daughter, William C. White and family, Clarence Sitler and son, A. S. Die-Delong, wife and son, George W. Henrie, Samuel Keller and family, Mrs. Stephen Hill, Samuel Crevel ing and daughter, Mr. Emanuel Sitler, Simon Sitler, wife and daughter, Isaac Creasy and wife, William Stahl, wife and daughter, Samuel Hidlay, wife and daughter, Pierce Hagenbach and family, Johe Cole-man, wife and son, Edward Hess and wife, Morris Rittenhouse and wife, William Ash and wife, Thomas G. Hirleman, Mrs. George Hidlay and daughter.

A GUEST.

As we go to press we learn that Geo. L. McHenry, oldest son of Rohr McHenry is lying in a very critical condition at his home in Benton, with pneumonia. He has been sick since last Saturday, and on Wednesday night he had a relapse and was not expected to live until morning. His brother Charles B. came down on Thursday morning and took two doctors up for consultation with Dr. Patterson. Mr. McHenry's death would be a great loss to Benton.

The Catawissa Central Luther Alliance met and convened in convention in the Lutheran church at Espy, on Thursday and Friday of last cure a clergyman temporarily for Easweek. Ministers and delegates were ter Sunday. present from different sections of the

BRIEF MENTION.

About People You Know.

Louis Gross and family spent last Sunday among friends in Danville,

Mr. H. H. Boyd, of Mifflin township, was in town on business on Monday.

Mrs. M. M. Phillips returned from her visit to Canada on Saturday night.

J. J. Robbins, of Wilkes-Barre, was a visitor in Bloomsburg on Tuesday.

J. C. Rutter, of the "Daily," and C. H. Dorr, of the Berwick "Independent," took a trip to Harrisburg on Tuesday.

Miss Mary Wright, after spending the winter in Bloomsburg, recently returned to her home in Millville, Pa.

J. C. Brown attended the reception given to Mayor-elect Warwick by the Young Re-publicans in Philadelphia on Thursday night.

Mr. C. L. Sands, ex-County Commissioner was noticed among visitors in town on Monday.

Editor W. H. Smith, of Benton, passed through town on Thursday on his way to Philadelphia.

Miss Hal. Sharpless, a faithful nurse during the war, is again at home after a pro-longed visit abroad. Among out-of-town visitors on Sunday we

mention David Dillon, Miss Bessie Raw-lings, Harry Hess and Lewis Cohen. Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Sands, of Buckhorn,

and Mrs. D. F. Weiss, were recent visitors of Mary and Clara Beers. Judge Krickbaum and Jasper Shultz, of Cambra, were among recent callers at the

COLUMBIAN office. Rev. Bruce Birch, of Boiling Springs, Pa. is home on a brief visit. He addressed the prayer-meeting in the Lutheran church on Wednesday evening.

Miss Evans having come home from her school at Millville last week to attend the funeral of her father A. J. Evans, returned to her post of duty on Tuesday.

Rev. E. H. Sharretts, well and favorably known as a former pastor of the Lutheran church of Bloomsburg, was among his friends here last Tuesday, Harry Frees who has been living in Mich-

igan for several years past, has returned to his home in Rupert, where he expects to spend the summer. Lawyer Scarlet, of Danville, was among

the early arrivals in town on Monday morning, he being one of the lawyers employed in the Vanderslice-Snyder case. Miss Emma Eves, of Middletown, was a visitor among friends in Bloomsburg last week. After attending the funeral of Hiram Eves she visited the family of Ellis Eves, of

Judge Rice, of Wilkes-Barre, reached Bloomsburg on the morning train on Mon-day, this being the day fixed for the con-tinuance of hearing of the Vanderslice-Snyder case.

Harry Stees has received the alternate appointment as cadet at the U. S. Naval Academy at Anapolis, Md., from Congressman Wolverton. Judge Savidge's son of Sunbury

Hon, Grant S. Herring, Collector of In-ternal Revenue of this district, spent some time in his Scranton office last week instructing collectors relative to their duties in col-

lecting the income tax. Misses Grace Elliott and Lizzie Reitz, were two young lady delegates from Shamo-kin to the late Luther Alliance Convention held at Espy. During their stay in town they were the guests of Miss Delia Gei-

Fire at Jamison City.

At the fire, which from some unknown cause broke out last Sunday in the Jamison City Tannery, the bark mill, the leach house, the engineroom and the contents of each and trick and family, Silas Shuman and all of them were destroyed. The loss family, Mr. Charles Jones, John and damage through fire and water has been rated as Ligh as \$25,000. It is said that 24 leaches, with a capacity of 12 tons each, were ruined. along with hundreds of tons of ground bark, and thousands of gallons of liquor that was unavoidably wasted. Though strenuous efforts were made to save the property these efforts were only partially successful. The general manager of the tannery, Mr. S. A. Goodhue, who was in Bloomsburg at the time of the fire grew quite nervous, and being unable to get the speedier railroad conveyance he punctually hired a horse and drove up. It is said he made good time; but of course the principal damage was done before he reached there. To the credit of those who were upon the scene of the conflagration from first to last it is said they worked manfully, though to disadvantage.

St. Paul's Church Notes.

A letter has been received from Bishop Rulison, stating that he has been absent from home, in Michigan for several weeks, and that his appointments are such that it will not be possible for him to spend a Sunday here before Easter.

The Vestry are endeavoring to se-

There will be a meeting of the State, and the church was crowded at | choir, in the Parish House, on Thursevery session. The excellent program day evening, March 21st, at 7 o'clock. sult in all the county and nearby was highly enjoyed by all in atten- Every member is requested to be present.