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MRS. MARTHA H. CLARK.
On Sunday morning at half past six o'clock Mrs. Martha H. Clark died at her home on Market street, after a brief illness. For some time she had not been strong, and her friends could see that she was failing with advancing years, but her death was wholly unexpected. On Friday night she had an attack of what appeared to be heart trouble, followed by great weakness, and from this she did not rally, though everything was done that medical skill and the most careful nursing could do.
Mrs. Clark was born in Danville on January 12, 1826. She was a daughter of Geo. A. Frick Esq., a prominent lawyer in his day, and a sister of Col. A. J. Frick of Danville, and Augustus Frick of Bluffton, Ohio. She was married to Robert F. Clark Esq., and from this union nine children were born, namely, Clarence H. now deceased, John M., George A., Mary M., and Martha F., of Bloomsburg; Mrs. R. C. Neal, and Arthur A. of Harrisburg; Edward B. of Hummelstown, and William H. of Florida. All the living children except William were present at their mother's death bed. Though greatly bereaved, they have the consolation of knowing that their mother's whole life was cheered and lightened by the loving solicitude and devotion of her children.
The deceased was a communicant of St. Paul's P. E. Church, and has been an earnest and consistent member from her girlhood. Until her health failed, there was no one more active in the work of the church than she. The guilds, the sewing societies, the choir, and other organizations were all matters of interest to her, and her helping hand was always ready wherever assistance was needed. Her memory is blessed to many who, in times of sickness, sorrow, and death, were the recipients of her loving ministrations. She was a good, true, and noble woman, and her death has filled the hearts of many friends with grief.
The funeral was held in St. Paul's Church on Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock, and was largely attended. There were many beautiful floral offerings. The services were conducted by the rector, Rev. D. N. Kirkby, and the burial took place in Rosemont.

OFF FOR WASHINGTON.
The excursion in charge of the Principal and Faculty of the Normal School, left as advertised for Washington on Monday morning. Fully one hundred and fifty boarded the train which left East Bloomsburg at 8:47.
The Principal and Faculty have been very busy for some time in making the necessary arrangements for the excursion, and have taken great care in arranging this trip to Washington City. The train consisted of three cars, all of which were trimmed with long strips of muslin, bearing the inscription: "Bloomsburg State Normal School." They will spend Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, in the National Capitol, visiting all the places of interest, and return home Friday evening.

Term Concert.
A large crowd was present at the Normal Auditorium last Saturday night, the event being the Seventh term concert given by the music department of the Normal. The program of twelve numbers was beautifully rendered, and judging from the applause was thoroughly enjoyed by the large crowd present.

Eckert's Life Insured.
It was learned at Wilkesbarre on Monday, that Eckert, who was to have been hanged at that place, last week, but committed suicide by taking morphine, had his life insured for \$1,000 in the Security Mutual Life Association, of Binghamton, N. Y.

An effort will soon be made to procure money to purchase a new pipe organ for the Episcopal Church. The old organ is sweet toned, but its mechanism is out of date and its pipes are out of tune, and it is almost impossible for the organist to handle it. One can never tell what sort of moans and groans it is going to emit at improper times.

Owing to the rush of advertising, we are obliged to print a supplement this week to accommodate the reading matter.

SLOAN-WHITELEY.
Among the Washington news in the Philadelphia Sunday Press was the following:
"The marriage of Miss Marguerite Hungerford Whiteley and Mr. Frank H. Sloan of Baltimore was one of the many matrimonial events Wednesday, Dec. 9th, the ceremony taking place in St. John's church in the presence of a number of invited guests, at four o'clock.
Right Rev. Henry Yates Satterlee, Bishop of Washington, officiated, assisted by the rector of the church, Dr. Mackey-Smith. The ushers who preceded the bride to the altar, were W. D. Dill, Jr., J. R. Butcher, F. W. Hurlbutt, J. T. Heyward, B. F. Boleau, of Baltimore, and Mr. W. S. Rishton, of Bloomsburg. There were no bridesmaids and the bride entered on the arm of her cousin, John Payton, of that city, who gave her hand in marriage. The wedding gown was a traveling costume of brown cloth and violet hat to match, and her bridal bouquet was of white violets.
E. E. Smith, of Philadelphia, acted as best man, entering the church with the groom from the vestry. The bride comes of a distinguished family of Virginians, being closely related to the Fairfaxes and Paytons of that state, and is the grand-daughter of the late Richard Whiteley, former United States Senator from Georgia. Mr. Sloan is the city surveyor of Baltimore, and after a honeymoon journey of some weeks will take his bride to that city to reside. The prayer book from which the marriage service was read is the same as that used at the marriage of the grandmother, for whom the bride was named, and was rebound in white silk for this occasion."
Mr. Sloan is the eldest son of Mr. C. P. Sloan of this town. He and his bride have the best wishes of many friends here. They expect to visit Bloomsburg during the holidays.

THE ANIMOTISCOPE.
Filled the Congregational Church and Pleased the Audience.

The animotroscope made its first appearance in this city, Thursday night. The commodious First Congregational Church was filled until standing room was at a premium. Prof. Howe's work with both phonograph and the latest wonder, the animotroscope, was of the highest character, and gave the most complete satisfaction. The new invention had not been seen by most of the audience, and they were enthusiastic in their applause. The professor introduced his treat by a few descriptive remarks in which he said that when it was found that photographs could be taken instantaneously inventors continued to progress until now 46 photographs are taken each second, on celluloid tape, and the result is a living reproduction of life and motion.
The scene "At Manhattan Beach," the "Morning Bath" and the fire scenes are awe-inspiring funny and thrilling in the order named. The first production was a New York scene, and the moving of the cable cars, the trucks in the street and every motion of the horses were as realistic as life, and the evening's entertainment will long be remembered.—*Middletown Daily Press*, Dec. 11, 1896.

The above entertainment will be given in the Lutheran Church by the Christian Endeavor Society on Dec. 28, at 8 o'clock P. M. Tickets for general admission 25 cents. Reserved seats 35 cents.
The patrons of the Opera House, will no doubt be glad to learn that on Tuesday night, Dec. 22nd, they will have an opportunity to see Lincoln J. Carter's grand scenic production "The Fast Mail." Don't fail to see the flight of the fast mail, Niagara Falls by moonlight, and many other startling effects. Prices 25, 35 and 50 cents. Reserved seats at Slate's book store.

Mattie E., daughter of W. R. Sober, who resides on West Second street died on Tuesday night of diabetes. She had not been in very good health for some time, but her condition was not considered serious until Tuesday when she grew worse, and death was the result at fifteen minutes before seven of the above day. Funeral services will be conducted by Rev. I. M. Patterson Friday morning at half past eight, interment near Danville.

Some of the plastering fell from the ceiling of the auditorium in the Lutheran church one day last week. It was probably caused by a leak in the roof.

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\$4.50 and \$8.50, from \$7.50 and \$12.00.
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When court convened on Monday morning there were no cases ready for trial, and an adjournment was had until Tuesday morning. Judge Metzgar, who is presiding this week and next in the necessary absence of Judge Ikeler, went home on Monday evening. On Tuesday morning, Judges Murphy and Millard discharged the jurors until Thursday morning at nine o'clock when the suit of William Case and wife against the D. L. & W. R. R. Co. will be taken up. It was fixed for trial on Wednesday, and the delay was caused by the fact that James Scarlet, Esq., one of the counsel for Mr. Case, was engaged in a trial in Wilkes-Barre and could not get here on Wednesday.

The great six day bicycle race in the Madison Square Garden, New York, ended at 10 o'clock, Saturday night, in the presence of an immense crowd. Fully 10,000 persons were on hand to see the finish, and the enthusiasm was of a cyclonic nature. Teddy Hale, the phenomenal Irish rider finished in front, having rode 1910 miles in six days, beating the former record by something like 300 miles. Joe Rice, of Wilkes-Barre, finished second. Wilkes-Barre "rooters" were here in full force and cheered their plucky townsman. The purse is said to be 7,500, and will be divided between the first eleven. Rice's wealthy admirers at Wilkes-Barre will present him with \$1,000 for his noble effort.

The alarm of fire was sounded on Thursday evening about 7:30 o'clock, and people hurried down East Street, but before many reached the scene the fire was out. The scare was caused by a hot box on the shaft under the boiler house, of Creasy & Wells planing mill. The damage done was very little.

The First National Bank of Hollidaysburg and its two branches, the Martinsburg Deposit Bank, and the Williamsburg Bank, closed their doors on Monday. Withdrawal of deposits was the cause.

The Bloomsburg basket ball team has been organized with W. H. Eyer as manager. He is trying to make arrangements for a game with Danville for next week.

The following appeared in last Friday's issue of the *Semi-Weekly Spirit*, published at Jersey Shore, Pa.:
"Two young girls near Danville went skating on a pond near their home Tuesday against the wishes of their parents and were drowned. A brother who went to their rescue was drowned, while another brother and their father narrowly escaped being drowned."

It is rumored that Rev. Dr. T. DeWitt Talmage is soon to wed Miss Susie Maugam of Sing Sing, N. Y. Dr. Talmage has been a widower more than a year. Miss Maugam is thirty years of age, and she has a brother married to a daughter of Dr. Talmage. Her marriage to Dr. Talmage, who is seventy-four years old, will make the bride her brother's step mother.

Class 9 of the M. E. Sunday School will hold a hard times Social, Concert and Apron Bazaar at the Magee Carpet Mill on Friday evening Dec. 18th as a benefit for the new Church. Admission free. Ample accommodations have been made for a thousand persons. The entertainment will be first class. Decorations up-to-date, and aprons for everybody, for specific particulars see programs of which you will be supplied. Don't miss this and then be sorry the rest of your life.

Rev. E. M. Wardin, whose illness we announced last week, died on Thursday and was buried on Sunday, in Carthage, Mo. He formerly resided here, and from 1872 to 1874 was owner of the *Republican*. He sold to Beckley & Brown in August 1874, and soon afterwards removed with his family to Carthage, where he has been engaged in preaching. He is survived by his wife who is a sister of Mrs. Layton Runyon, and an adopted son.

A company of amateurs from Hazleton, traveling under the name of Trixie Lilian Comedy Co., were booked for the Opera House last Friday and Saturday nights. As no one turned out there was no show on Friday night, but on Saturday night they gave a very tame performance to a small audience.

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