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BLOOMSBURG, PA.

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## BRIEF MENTION.

About People You Know.

Robt. Young spent Christmas at Benton.

Curtis Logan visited Wilkes-Barre friends last week.

W. T. Creasy of Catawissa gave us a call on Monday.

John Donahue, of Scranton spent Christmas in town.

George Norman, of State College, is home on his vacation.

Miss Rose Ohl, spent Christmas with Milton friends.

John Knies visited his parents at Hazleton over Sunday.

F. P. Davis, of Canby was among our callers on Tuesday.

J. C. Rutter Jr., was in Berwick two days this week on business.

Miss Hattie Kingrose visited friends at Danville this week.

Harry Kline, visited friends at Wilkes-Barre over Christmas.

Mrs. Rev. Kue, of Altoona, visited Miss May Sharpless this week.

W. E. Fisher spent Christmas week in Hazleton, visiting friends.

Will Kelley, of Hazleton spent Christmas with his parents in town.

Morris Sloan of Scranton spent Christmas at home on Market Street.

Phil M. White of Shamokin, visited friends in town on Monday.

Robt. Pursel, of Philadelphia is spending his holiday vacation at home.

Edward Enterline of Wilkes-Barre visited his brother George last week.

Peter Ashton of Bellefonte spent a couple days in Bloomsburg last week.

Will C. Drinker of Scranton, visited relatives in town over Christmas.

Charles H. Lawall of Philadelphia, spent Christmas with his mother in town.

J. E. DeLong, of Orangeville transacted business in town on Wednesday.

Miss Elizabeth Schuyler is visiting her brother J. K. Schuyler and wife.

Miss Grace Logan, of Shamokin, is visiting her cousins on Seventh Street.

George Lowery, of Scranton transacted business in Bloomsburg on Monday.

Edwin H. Ent and wife visited the latter's parents at Weatherly over Sunday.

Michael Tracy, of Shenandoah, spent Christmas with his mother on East Street.

Frank Colley of Philadelphia, spent Christmas with his mother on Iron Street.

F. M. Kelley, of West Virginia spent Christmas with his mother, on Main Street.

Jay Allen, a student at the State College is spending his vacation with his parents in town.

Miss Mattie Caskell, of Philadelphia is visiting relatives and friends on Third Street.

Miss Rey Shultz of Philadelphia, is spending the holidays with her aunt Dr. H. A. Robbins.

Hon. A. L. Fritz and son Charlie left on Wednesday for a two days trip to Philadelphia.

Rev. A. S. Bowman of Austin, Pa., was in town on Saturday, calling upon relatives and friends.

Charles A. Pollock and wife of Hazleton, spent Christmas with the former's parents on Fifth street.

Carlton Caswell of Philadelphia is home spending his holiday vacation with his mother.

Arthur Colley, foreman of the tube works at Shickshinny, visited friends in town over Sunday.

Miss Carrye Folmer of Shenandoah, was the guest of Dr. Robbins, on First Street over Sunday.

Misses Bessie and Belle Weil of Plymouth, visited Miss Margaret Shaffer on Third Street last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hooper of Williamsport, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Aurand this week.

Miss M. A. Marks, operator at the Western Union Telegraph office is visiting friends at Scranton.

Miss Jennie Barkley, who is attending the Conservatory of Music at Troy, N. Y., is spending her vacation with her parents on Market Street.

E. A. Eyer, of Philadelphia is home spending his vacation with his parents on Market Street.

James Dougherty, a printer employed in a job office at Philadelphia, is home spending the holidays.

W. H. Housel and family spent the holidays with the former's brother Harry at Washington, D. C.

E. N. Ferrin and family of New York City, are visiting Mrs. Ferrin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Drinker.

Miss Minnie Haas and Miss Mary Furman of Hazleton were the pleasant guests of Miss Mary Furman over Christmas.

Mrs. J. S. Gilbert of Jenkintown is spending the week with friends here. Mr. Gilbert was here over Christmas.

Ben Gidding who has been traveling through the south for a large clothing house, arrived back in town on Monday.

Donald Snyder, and family spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Snyder, at the Exchange Hotel.

Ed. Moyer, a "typo," employed in a large show printing house at White Haven, is visiting his many friends in town.

Rev. D. N. Kirby was called to the home of his father in Rye, N. Y., on Monday, by the serious illness of his sister.

Matthew McReynolds, of Quakertown, Pa., spent Christmas with his parents Dr. and Mrs. McReynolds on Third Street.

Mrs. John Vannatta and little son Tom, of Lewistown spent Christmas with Mrs. Thomas Vannatta and family on Iron Street.

Judge Ikeler attended the meeting of Judges in Philadelphia on Tuesday, to make uniform rules of Court and a course of study for law students throughout the state.

L. S. Winterstein Esq., returned from Philadelphia on Wednesday morning, where he attended a meeting of the Judges and examining committees for admission to the bar of the several counties in the state.

Legal advertisements on page 7.

A Happy New Year to all.

A distribution of a very neat calendar for 1897 is now being made by M. P. Lutz & Son, insurance agents.

1896 has drawn to a close. Another leap year does not occur again until 1904.

Commissioner Ikeler has appointed Hiram J. Demott, of Millville mercantile appraiser.

Mrs. Isaac Crawford, aged forty-six years died at her home in Light Street on Sunday morning. She had been sick for a long time.

Monday morning, was the coldest we have experienced this winter, the thermometer in some places in town registered four degrees below zero.

Col. John Jameson expects to build a new railroad in Nova Scotia, seventy-five miles long. It will pass through a rich mineral country.

Pauline, aged six years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pegg, who resides on West Third Street, died on Monday.

The entertainment given by Miss Stapleton's class in elocution in Y. M. C. A. Hall Saturday night was fine, and thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

Charles Parish a wealthy and well known citizen of Wilkesbarre, died suddenly at the Stenton Hotel at Philadelphia, aged seventy years. Death resulted from apoplexy.

There are numerous applicants for the positions of court crier, janitor, and commissioners' clerk. It is impossible to state who the successful ones will be.

To more fully equip him to fill his position as director of the gymnasium at the Normal School, Prof. A. K. Aldinger, will leave in January to take a short course in medicine.

The following letters are advertised Dec. 28th, 1896: Wm. Beaver, Mr. Mark W. Boynton, Miss Jessie Philips, Dr. Sherman. Will be sent to the dead letter office Jan. 12th, 1897. JAMES H. MFCRER, P. M.

### THE HAMPTON ROADS FLEET.

The Most Powerful Navy Ever Seen Under our Flag.

New York, Dec. 31.—It was reported last week that orders had been received at the Brooklyn Navy Yard to finish repairs on all ships in commission within the next ten days. In view of this country's relations with Spain, the situation of the navy is a matter of unusual interest, and in discussing this the Sun makes the following statement:

The squadron of Admiral Bance will assemble rapidly at Hampton Roads and will include the powerful battle ships, Indiana, Massachusetts, Maine, and Texas, the fast and effective armored cruisers Brooklyn and New York, the monitors Paritan, Terror, and Amphitrite, the cruisers Columbia, Montgomery, and Marblehead, and the ram Katahdin. Possibly the Miantonomah and the Vesuvius will also be added; but without these or the dispatch boat Fern, and even excluding the Katahdin, which possibly may not take part in the evolutions, there are a dozen fine vessels at command, nine of them ironclads. In Gulf waters, too, there are already the Raleigh and the Newark, and the Amphitrite may relieve the former.

The fleet that gathers at Hampton Roads will be the largest and most powerful array of modern vessels that ever assembled under our flag.

### TOWN MAD FOR COCAINE.

Residents of Manchester, Conn., Victims of the Drug.

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 31.—The cocaine habit has taken such a hold on the residents of Manchester that steps are being taken to obtain legislative restriction on the sale of the drug. The evil had its inception when a local druggist a year ago made a preparation of cocaine and menthol which could be used as a snuff. It was intended as a specific for asthma, but the prescription was passed around, and now hundreds of persons have become slaves to the stuff.

An experienced physician says that he never heard of a place where the abuse of the drugs had become so general, and that the future prosperity of the town was involved.

### HER SIXTH MARRIAGE.

Four of Mrs. Linter's Ex-Husbands to be Ushers at Her Coming Wedding.

Providence, Dec. 29.—The marriage of Mrs. Eleanor B. Linter to her sixth husband will occur to day in the Church of Emanuel, and four of her ex-husbands will act as ushers. The entire marital batch would have been present, but the fifth man met with an accident last week and is confined to his bed. He sent a present and an invitation to visit him.

In every instance the lady has obtained a divorce without opposition and without losing the friendship of her spouse. She convinced them all that they were not well mated, and every one of them accepted the situation.

### Christmas Diversions in Kentucky.

Ashland, Dec. 29.—As a distribution of Christmas presents was in progress at Kavanaugh Chapel, Lawrence County, on Thursday night, Bill Morrow entered the church and amused himself by emptying two six shooters at the tapers blazing on the tree. When members of the congregation sought to quiet him he drew a third revolver and began shooting promiscuously, fatally wounding George Pack and injuring Tom Bonders and Miss Allie Morgan. Morrow then escaped.

### Women Walkers Arrive.

New York, Dec. 27.—Mrs. H. Estby and her daughter Clara, nineteen years old, arrived in this city Wednesday afternoon, footsore, travel stained and bronzed by exposure, from a transcontinental journey of 4,500 miles, on foot, from Spokane, Wash. They would have won \$10,000 had they arrived four days earlier.

### Strike Declared Off.

Boston, Dec. 29.—The strike of the conductors and motormen of the West End Street Railway lines, in Boston, was declared off at an early hour Saturday morning, and the running of cars was resumed. Some of the strikers will not be taken back, other men having been employed in their places.

### Mrs. Beecher's Hip Broken.

Stamford, Conn., Dec. 30.—Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher was attacked with dizziness when she arose early Sunday morning, and fell to the floor, breaking her hip. Mrs. Beecher is eighty-four years old, and it is doubtful if she will be able to walk again, even with crutches.

### Foreign Heirs and Illinois Lands.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—A suit has been begun in Rockford, Ill., to secure for Winnebago County the property of Richard Horsfall, who died in 1894, leaving a farm of \$20,000 to English heirs. The suit is under the State law for the forfeiture of lands which would go to foreign heirs, and is the first of its kind on record there.

### Armenians Dissatisfied.

Constantinople, Dec. 29.—The Armenians are dissatisfied with the terms of the amnesty granted a few days ago by the Sultan, as it does not improve the condition of the Armenian prisoners in Constantinople, and but few will benefit from it in the provinces.

### Georgia's Anti-Trust Law.

Atlanta, Dec. 27.—Gov. Atkinson by his signature has made a law of the sweeping Anti-Trust bill passed by the Legislature. It is said that the bill was aimed at the American Tobacco Company, though it covers many things it general.



### Do You Use It?

It's the best thing for the hair under all circumstances. Just as no man by taking thought can add an inch to his stature, so no preparation can make hair. The utmost that can be done is to promote conditions favorable to growth. This is done by Ayer's Hair Vigor. It removes dandruff, cleanses the scalp, nourishes the soil in which the hair grows, and, just as a desert will blossom under rain, so bald heads grow hair, when the roots are nourished. But the roots must be there. If you wish your hair to retain its normal color, or if you wish to restore the lost tint of gray or faded hair use Ayer's Hair Vigor.

The fight for United States Senator is between John Wanamaker and Boies Penrose, both of Philadelphia. Each one claims to have the lead.

While out hunting on last Wednesday morning, Elliot Ebner, aged 45 years of Millville, accidentally shot himself, and died in a few minutes.

An order has been made by the court directing the list of applications for licenses to be published in the Benton Argus and Bloomsburg Republican.

We will give to the needy ones on January 1st, between the hours of 1 to 5 o'clock P. M. Two hundred loaves of bread and two hundred cans of corn at the Philadelphia Cash Grocery Store, 2nd and Market Street, Bloomsburg. RIGGINS & Co.

The basket ball game in Normal gymnasium on Tuesday night, between Danville and Bloomsburg, resulted in a victory for the town boys,—score 9 to 8. The Danville boys played a dashing game, and gave their opponents all they wanted to do to win.

Bloomsburg	Positions	Danville
Young	attack	Bedeau
Moore	attack	Marks
Aldinger	center	Limberger
Harrar	defense	Breckbill
Harman	defence	Gaskins

Goals from field Bedeau 2, Limberger 1, Moore 2. Goals from fouls, Bedeau 1, Limberger 1, Moore 5. Final score Bloom 9 Danville 8. Referee, Worthington, Umpires, VanHorn and Douglass.

### "Where Doctors Disagree."

There has been a great deal of disagreement from time to time about the therapeutic value of sarsaparilla. In the main, authorities deny any particular medical value to the plant. "It's just an old wife's remedy," they say. And in the main they are right. There are about a dozen varieties of sarsaparilla, scattered through various countries, and of this dozen only one has any real curative power. So a man whose experience might be confined to the eleven other varieties might honestly say there was little value in them. The one valuable sarsaparilla is found in Honduras, C. A. Monardes, a physician of Seville, records the introduction of sarsaparilla into Spain as a result of the Spanish discoveries of the New World, between 1536 and 1545. But the root did not accomplish much. But he adds, "a better sort soon after came from Honduras." It is this "better sort" that is used exclusively in Ayer's Sarsaparilla. And it is the use of this "better sort" that has given Ayer's Sarsaparilla prominence over all other varieties by reason of its wonderful cures of blood diseases. Send for the Curebook, a "story of cures told by the cured." Free. Address J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR RENT. The west half of a double house on East Third street, Bloomsburg. Possession given on December 1st. All modern conveniences. Rent reasonable. Apply to J. W. Conner, Orangeville, or D. W. Campbell, Bloomsburg. 11-19-tf.

HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache, A pleasant laxative. All Druggists.

### = = A COAT SALE. = =

We have reduced the prices on all coats to close them out quickly. Now is your chance of buying a coat for little money, and the best part of winter before you for wearing it. First comers get the choice. They are all of this season's newest and choicest coats.

- A \$12.50 ladies' coat for \$8.50.
- A \$ 7.50 " " " \$5.00.
- A \$10.00 " " " \$7.00.

And other grades higher and lower. Don't delay. Now is your time for buying a high grade coat for little money.

### Dress Goods.

We have reduced the price of many lots of dress materials that we will include in the coat sale. So here's a chance for you dress goods buyers, as well as the coat wanters. It will pay you to see them.

### Underwear.

You want underwear this weather. We think it would pay you to examine our lines. Both ladies' and children's goods.

### Flannel Skirts.

We have reduced the prices of ladies' flannel skirts to move them quickly. Now is your opportunity of procuring a first-class woolen skirt for little money.

Leggins, wool hoods, ice wool squares, wool caps, children's caps.

Outing flannel night gowns—full line.

### Kid Gloves.

Try our one dollar kid glove.

## H. J. CLARK & SON.

## I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

MARKET SQUARE DRY GOODS HOUSE.

We are getting ready for a big sale of all cold weather goods.

They are in our store and will now be pushed to the front.

Don't make a mistake and go somewhere else for a good pair of blankets, but come and see what we can do for you. The prices will go with the lateness of the season.

Don't make the same mistake and look other places for a good dress pattern, either in black, brown, green, blue, rough or smooth, before you see our line.

People often say "we will not take the time to look around for a Cape or Coat." It will pay you to look as far as our corner. Especially now, as we have a big line of fur and other capes sent us for sale at prices to match any store outside of New York or Philadelphia. It is the first party who suffer, not us.

Jacket stock yet good.

Keep your eye on our winter bargains to be soon offered for CASH ONLY.

## I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

IN offering our patrons the compliments of the season, and thanking them very heartily for their patronage during 1896, we are pleased to say that as the curtain rises for 1897, it finds us still "on the stage," better equipped than ever to act our part as the leading Jewelers and Stationers.

During the past year, in spite of the "hard times" we have been pushing ahead adding to our stock and increasing our facilities for doing both work and business, so that we open the new year decidedly in advance of any house of our kind in Columbia county.

We appreciate however, that it is but by the kind patronage of our friends that success can be maintained, so in the future as in the past, shall always strive to merit their favor. We remain Yours very truly,

## HESS BROTHERS

Jewelers, Opticians and Stationers. Bloomsburg, Pa.

TELEPHONE.

## CANDY, FRUIT AND NUTS FOR CHRISTMAS.

The finest assortment of candy to be found is here, prices from 10c. to 60c. lb., all fresh and pure.

## ORANGES, BANANAS AND GRAPES. All Kinds of Nuts.

It will be to your advantage to call before purchasing.

## I. G. DEITRICK,

TELEPHONE CONNECTION. MARKET SQUARE.

YOU ARE INVITED TO CALL AT

## RISHTON'S DRUG STORE

.....any day from 7 a. m. to 10 p. m. and inspect his.....

### ...CHRISTMAS GIFTS...

WE MENTION A FEW FOR EXAMPLE, BUT "THERE ARE OTHERS":

- LEATHER GOODS of all kinds and descriptions.
- PERFUMERY—The most beautiful stock in town.
- HAND PAINTED NOVELTIES—Entirely new, novel and cheap.
- CUT GLASS—A large and beautiful stock.
- WHITMAN'S WORLD-FAMED Chocolates and Bon Bous.

## W. S. RISHTON,

Opposite P. O.

DRUGGIST.