Chocolate Colored Vici Kid and Calf Shoes.



This is an 1897 line, and is the Popular shade for Summer Shoes. It will pay you to catch on. We have them in Kid and Cloth tops.

W. C. McKinney,

Clark's Building, Main Street.

THE COLUMBIAN.

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD. Improved Passenger Train Service.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Co. will place in service, May 17th inst., new passenger trains on Sunbury division, between Sunbury and Wilkesparre. A train will leave Sunbury on arrival of train 8 from the West and train 11 from the East, at 2 p. m. for Wilkesbarre, Scranton and other points. Passengers can leave Canandaigua 7.50 a. m., Elmira 10.05 a. m., Kane 6.30 a. m., DuBois 7.10 a. m., Belle-fonte 9.28 a. m., Lock Haven 11.20 a. m., Williamsport 12.40 p. m., Harrisburg 11.35 a. m., and reach Danville 2.24 p. m., Catawissa 2.43 p. m., East Bloomsburg 2.50 p. m., Nesco-pec 3.15 p. m., Mocanaqua 3.42 p. m., Nanucoke 4.02 p. m., Wilkesbarre 4.15 p. m. and Scranton 5.22 p. m. Returning train will leave Scranton 4.41 p. m., Wilkesbarre 6.00 p. m., stopping at other principal points connecting at Sunbury with trains 6 and 13 for points East and West.

This new train service will no doubt be greatly appreciated by the traveling public and will be well patronized from the start. 2t.

For Sale.

Two Beautiful farms for sale or in exchange for town property—one farm is located 3 miles North of Millville, on the road from Iola to Pine Summit -and new Bank Barn on it, and farm No. 2 is located up fishing creek. For particulars inquire of S. D. Neyhard, office First National Bank Building, 3-18 2m. Bioomsburg, Pa.

When bilious or costive, eat a Cascaret, candy catharic, cure guaranteed,

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

H. M. Hockman has placed in his store a very handsome soda fountain and is now dispensing soda water and ice cream soda 5c. a glass. Try it.

Mercer can supply your every want in the way of bicycles. Stop in and ask to see the Dayton.

Talking about bicycles, what's the matter with the Silver King? It was far in advance of everything last season, and this year is farther ahead than ever. Mercer will show it to

The finest and best ice cream, candy and fruit at H. M. Hockman's.

For Sale. A good slate black-board about 10 feet by 3 feet, suitable for school, will be sold cheap. Apply to Geo. E. Elwell, Bloomsburg, Pa. tf.

Mercer's stock of Wall Paper, is complete. You will show good judg ment by buying of him.

We fear no competition in make. Price or fit; satisfaction guaranteed, given in every detail. Maier the technical tailor. Fine all wool suits made to measure \$8.50 upwards. Trousers \$2.50 upwards.

H. M. Hockman has stocked the Exchange Bakery with a large and fine line of the choicest and purest candy, oranges, bananas, etc.

The Royal Reading should be considered by all intending wheel pur-chasers. Its a beauty. Sold by Jas. H. Mercer.

FOR RENT. Third floor of COLUM-BIAN Building, newly papered and painted, water, electric light and steam heat. Apply to Geo. E. Elwell. tf.

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask your Grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as an adult. All who try it, like it. GRAINO has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is distress. ‡ the price of coffee. 15c. and 25c. per package. Sold by all 4 29 4td.

HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver IIIs, Bil-teusness, Indigestion, Headache. Easy to take, easy to operate. 25c.



COURT HOUSE NEWS.

Has Occurred There Former Report.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses have been issued by Clerk W. H. Henrie, since those published last

Adanson Evans, of Motts, Pa., to Miss Martha E. Moore, of Huntersville, Pa.

A. A. Richardson, of Wilkesbarre, to Miss Violetta Parks, of Blooms-David E. Kile, of Jackson town-

ship, to Miss Anna Davison, of Fairmount Springs.

Addison Hawk, of Mainville, to Miss Ella R. Lins, of Catawissa. William Search, of Berwick, to Miss

Susie Taylor, of the same place. C. E. Moore, of Nescopeck, to Miss Effie Klinger, of Berwick.

TRANSFER OF REAL ESTATE. The following transfers of real es-

during the week. G. H. Gardner and wife to B. F.

Karschner, for tract of land in Pine

J. B. McHenry, Sheriff, to W. M.

Reber, et al. for land in Bloomsburg. eber, et al. for land in Bloomsburg. tied estates of those who have died. Jacob Shoemaker and wife to H. It does not apply to real estate. A. Hill, for tract of land in Fishingcreek township. C. C. Peacock, to C. H. Sharpless,

for land in Bloomsburg. J. B. McHenry, Sheriff, to W. M. Reber, et al. for land in Bloomsburg. James M. Reilly and wife to John

Reilly, for land in Centralia. James M. Reilly and wife, to John Reilly, for land in Centralia. James M. Reilly and wife, to John

Reilly for land in Centralia. Emma C. Wood, to Jeremiah C. Cornelius, for land in Catawissa.

Jesse John, to J. Wilson Artley, for tract of land in Franklin township. Geo. P. Dreisbach, to Ann Munday, for tract of land in Glen City.

John W. Evans and wife, to Calvin J. Miller, for land in Berwick. James Pleasants, Admr., to Jesse Mensch, for land in Catawissa.

Caroline Waters et. al. to Jesse Mensch, for land in Catawissa. Elijah Clever, et. al., to Jesse

Mensch, for tract of land in Franklin township, C. W. Neal, Trustee, to Benneville

Rhodes, for land in Bloomsburg. E. R. Ikeler and wife, to Hattie L. Webb, for land in Bloomsburg.

D. W. Armstrong, to Rosemont Cemetery Company for land in Blooms-

Burglars entered the office of C. E. Yorks Esq., at Central on Tuesday night, and blew his safe open, getting only a few dollars. They entered the office of J. T. Brady the same night, and drilled the safe, but the fuse went out and they were afraid to go back.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common water glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indikidneys. When urine stains linen it is positive evidence of kidney trouble. The frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out

WHAT TO DO. There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by made from pure grains, and the most druggists price fifty cents and one delicate stomach receives it without dollar. For a sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent free by mail, mention THE COLUMBIAN and send your full post-office address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

HARRISBURG LETTER.

Protests Against the New Inheritance Tax Law.

THE FIGHT FOR IMPROVED ROADS

The Amended Hamilton Bill Awaits Action by the Senate and the Governor-The Insurance Bribery Investi-

gators Meet For Organization. (Special Correspondence.)

Harrisburg, May 18.—Since the passage and approval of the El-kin bill taxing direct inheritances 2 per cent of the people of the state are just beginning to realize what the measure means. It was rushed through on special orders, with the backing of the state administration, and already the protests are being heard from every section of the commonwealth. Governor Hastings approved the bill within an hour after it had been signed by the presiding officers of the senate and house. Nobody can estimate pre-cisely the amount of revenue which this act will produce, but a low figure is \$1,000,000 for the next two years. Some say it may even reach \$2,000,000, but the guess of one person is as good as that of another under the circumstances. The bill was drafted by John P. Elkin, the chairman of the Republican state committee, and had the indorsement of the governor and the leaders of the legislature. Mr. Elkin says the act will uncover a vast amount of property in the shape of securities which have heretofore been hidden from the eves of the commonwealth until death brought them to view through the settlement of estates.

The bill taxes all personal and mixed property which shall pass by will or by the intestate laws of this state from any person to the heirs. It taxes the personal and mixed property both of residents in the state and of residents who may be domiciled in another state. It also taxes like property in this state owned by residents of a foreign state. It applies to all personal and mixed property, whether the same be held absolutely or for life, or for tate have been recorded in the office a shorter period, or where held by a of C. B. Ent, register and recorder, trustee, the income to be paid to a beneficiary, and to charges on land in favor of any heir or legatees. It also applies to any estates of personal and mixed property which shall be trans-ferred by the owner prior to, but in contemplation of his death, or where Martha J. Fritz, et al. to Charles the transfer of such property is in-Coleman, for tract of land in Jackson tended to take effect after the death of the transferer. It applies not only to the estates of persons who may die in the future, but also to the unset-

> How the Tax Will Be Collected. This new tax is to be paid at the rate of 2 per cent on the amount of money left by a decedent, and at the same rate upon the appraised value of his securities. It is also to be paid directly by the executor or administrator of the estate, and such officer is prohibited from making any distri-bution or from being discharged from his trust until he has deducted the tax from money legacies or shares, or in the case of legacies or shares in the form of securities, has received from the legatee or distributee 2 per cent in cash upon the appraised value of his securities. The tax is to remain a lien upon all property until paid. It is to be paid in the same manner as collateral inheritance tax is now paid, and the act expressly declares that it shall not in any way modify or alter the law relating to collateral inheritance taxes. It is declared to be the legislative intention that this act shall tax at the rate of 2 per cent all estates not subject to a collateral inheritance tax of 5 per cent.

Six expert architects have been invited by the new capitol building commission to enter the competion for plans for the new state house. A program to regulate the open competion for plans has also been issued and specifications are also out for the tearing down of the ruins of the burned building. Proposals for this latter work will be received until the 26th inst. Under the specifications the contractor will be required to remove all debris and exercise great care in the removal of the marble washstands. lavatories, tanks, and the marble wainscoting and flooring in the main hallway. He will also be required to exercise especial care in the removal of the old cornerstone, so that the historic records therein may be preserved. It is expected that the contract for the ew capitol will be let about Aug. 1.

Governor Hastings has been giving some of the factional leaders a few unpleasant surprises. Having defeated the senate bill increasing the salaries of deputy sheriffs in Philadelphia from \$1,000 to \$2,500 a year, the house was induced to reconsider its action, and sent the bill to the governor. Elated with his success in having the house cates a diseased condition of the take the back track, Sheriff Crow called on the governor to ask him to approve the bill. He was given to understand that a veto would accompany the measure when it left the executive department.

The Fight For Better Roads. During the present session no bill has excited more general interest than he measure drafted by Professor John Hamilton, acting secretary of agriculture, for the improvement of the highways. It has been debated at length, and its enemies have tried over and over again to so burden it with amendments as to make its passage impossible. But they have failed, and the bill will doubtless go to the governor this week. An amendment was in-serted a few days ago providing that the bill shall not become operative until \$1,000,000 has been appropriated by the state to be distributed in proportion to the number of miles of public roads in each township; that no township shall receive more state money than it raises by local taxation and the money so appropriated shall be expended in making and maintaining public roads. As amended it was ald aside for printing, and having passed the house now awaits the con-currence of the senate in the house amendments. Whether Governor Hasting will approve the bill in its present shape remains to be seen. He was heartily in favor of the bill in its original form, because it carried out suggestions in his message to the legislature. If the bills taxing beer, which have been reported to the house, become laws they will produce enough

revenue to justify the legislature in making an appropriation of \$1,000,000 for good roads. The sentiment in favor of better roads has been largely stimulated through the enthusiasm and organized effort of the wheelmen of

the state.

One of the most important bills defeated in the house requires county commissioners to advertise for pro-posals for the erection of any county building of bridges, or for any alter-ations or addition thereto, involving an expenditure of \$1,000, and to award the contract to the lowest and best bidders under a penalty of \$2,000.

There are indications now of an earlfer adjornment of the legislature than most people here had reason to ex; leaders are so arranging the calendars that the legislators will be able to adjourn finally about the second week in

\$40,000,000 in Appropriations. Mr. Marshall, chairman of the house committee on appropriations, says the revenue bills once out of the way his committee can get down to business and report such bills as are likely to pass. Appropriation bills have been introduced aggregating over \$40,000,000 for the next two years, but as the estimated revenues are only about half that amount the necessity for wholesaie pruning by the committee is ap-parent. Chairman Marshall says it will be impossible to give the usual hearings on appropriation bills. All that the committee can hope to do is to go over the bills as carefully as possible and distribute the money of the state as equitably as may be. It is very evident that the charitable institutions throughout the state not dimonwealth will fare badly in the distribution. First the state institutions, after those the semi-state hospitals and other institutions will be taken care of. What is left will be distributed among the more deserving private charities. Of course, the committee is figuring on a million dollars for the building and furnishing of the new capitol.

Politically the gossip this week has been centered in the attitude of Senator Quay toward his lieutenants in Philadelphia and his probable attitude toward the bills providing a new charter for Pittsburg and the ousting of the present administration in that city. At the Friday morning session of the house one of the Quay lieutenants from Allegheny county moved the postponement of the Rogers charter bill, which fact gives color to the statement that Senator Quay has decided to abandon the reform legislation for Pittsburg at

The record of Governor Hastings in the matter of filling vacancies in the judiciary of the state surpasses that of any of his predecessors. Including the appointment of the new superior court justices, he has appointed one judge for every three weeks of his term. The death of Judge Thomas Ewing, of Pittsburg, has given him another opportunity to reward some legal friend.

The Insurance Bribery Investigation.
The insurance committee appointed to investigate the \$50,000 insurance scandal met today for organization. This committee was appointed some time ago, and there has been considerable speculation as to the delay in proceeding with the investigation. stated that a number of sensational affidavits are in possession of two or three members of the senate. The story upon which the present investigation was started was in effect that a demand had been made upon a large insurance company in New York city for \$50,000 to wipe from the calendar certain objectionable bills.

A bill has been introduced in the senate during the last week providing for the selection of a site and tion of a state hospital for the insane for the counties of Luzerne, Lack-awanna, Bradford, Carbon Monroe Pike, Sullivan, Tioga, Wayne and Wyoming, to be called the state hospital for the insane for the northwestern part of Pennsylvania. The bill carries an appropriation of \$30,000 for the necessary preliminaries.

A strong effort is being made by the steam railroad corporations to defeat the Young bill providing a method of assessing damages to the owners of property abutting on highways occu-pled by electric railway companies. This measure is not exactly an eminent domain bill, but possesses some of the features of the right of eminent domain. That is why it is being so vigorously fought by the steam rivals of the electric companies. Before the adjournment of the house on Thursday Mr. Young attempted to have the vote by which his resolution giving the bill a special order was defeated reconsidered, but the opponents of the bill were on the alert, and promptly got in a motion to adjourn. It carried, and the efforts to advance the trolley bill were again blocked. It is probable that another attempt will be made to get this bill in position for prompt consideration. Should it ever reach a vote it is believed that the bill will pass.

A School Tax on Allens.

Among the bills which have passed the house finally is one authorizing school directors and controllers to levy a per capita tax of from \$1 to \$2 annually for school purposes on aliens over 21 years of age. This measure is intended to be enforced particularly in the mining regions of the state, where there are many alien parents whose children go to school, and who do not contribute to the support of the schools. During the discussion of methods of raising additional revenue for the state it has cropped out that many of the lawmakers favor a reduction of appro-priations for public schools. They contend that \$11,000,000 is too great a sum to appropriate in this way. It is also argued that the generosity of the state in this respect has not been appreciated in many districts, where the minimum school term is still six months and where the salaries of teachers, instead of being increased, are frequently cut down by the parsimonious and nonprogressive boards of directors. Unless some of the counties change front in this respect it need not surprise them to see \$1,000,000. the appropriations reduced

Many of the boys in the rural districts will be sorry to hear that Governor Hastings has vetoed a concurrent resolution authorizing Dr. B. H. Warren, the state zoologist, to prepare and have published in pamphlet form 15,000 copies of an article on taxidermy and zoology. The governor thinks that the money is needed in other directions at

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The question now before us is not to get the stuff. The crowded shelves, the counters full, both show we've got, enough. What we need just now it buyers; folks who spend the ready cash. So we mention a few "flyers" knock the prices into smash. This metrical announcement may tempt you to invest. You BRING THE MONEY TO US, OUR GOODS WILL DO THE REST.

SEE THESE NOW.

Ladies' Blazer Suits, 1.25, 2.50 and \$2.75 each. New line of Wash Dress Goods in

lawns, percales, organdies, dimities and other weaves at 8, 10, 12 and 15c yd Ladies' New Shirt Waists, yoke backs, detached collars and cuffs, Men's Balbriggan Underwear, all 25c.

sizes, 35c each. Ladies' Ribbed Vests, 4, 8, 10, to

25c each. Children's White Ribbed Vests with pink and light blue trimmed necks

and armholes, 5c each.

New line of Bows and String Ties for ladies shirt waists, at 10, 15, 16 and 19c each.

Fine black satin Club Ties, 24c ea. Ladies' shirt waist Sets, 5, 10, 19, 24 and 39c set.

Stick Pins, elegant new line, 2, 5 19, 25, and \$1.25. Fancy hat pins, roc.

Infants dress pins, 15, 39, 50c set. Infants bar pins, 10c. Gents lever collar buttons, 5c each. New line of Infants Caps, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 50 and 75c. Ladies' "Ox blood' hose, 2 pr. 25c.

Half pint bottles of Witch Hazel, Mexican Grass Hammock, very

strong and good size, 75c each. Respectfully Submitted to the Jash Trade Only by

BROADWAY CASH STORE, Moyer's New Building, Main Street, BLOOMSBURG.

PENNSYLVANIA NEWS ITEMS.

-Without any apparent cause, well-known Thomas Longner, of novelties in Damier designs, over-Hazleton, committed suicide by shoot- shot or carreau effects in the new-

renders him unable to swallow, John combination has always been 15c. Ringtown, is starving to death.

-Nearly 110,000 Pennsylvania Odd Fellows are represented at the Grand Lodge which is in session at Williamsport this week. -Knights of Malta ended their

Grand Commandery Convocation at 59c. to 75c., clearing sale price 41c. Sunbury last week, with a love feast. -Twenty-seven new ministers graduated last week from the Reformed Theological Seminary at Lancas-

-Last Wednesday night's storm did considerable damage in Berks County, and many trees and buildings were struck by lightning.

-State College Cadets at Bellefonte were inspected on Thursday by Major Joseph P. Sauger, Inspector General of the United States Army.

-Richard Crone, a prominent Wilkes-Barre hotelkeeper, has left town, and his creditors have taken possession of his property. It is said he lost a small fortune on the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight.

-Rev. Thompson Mitchell, D. D., a widely known Methodist minister, and a former presiding elder, died at China Silk, Figured Damasse, Williamsport Sunday morning after several months' illness. He was born in Mifflin county in 1817. He served different charges in this state as pastor from 1840 to 1859. In 1860 he was elected president of Dickinson Seminary at Williamsport and served in that capacity until 1869. From 1870 until 1881 he served as presiding 98c. the yard. elder of the Carlisle, Williamsport and Juniata district. In 1881 he served as pastor of the First church at Altoona, but a year later he expressed a desire to retire from the active ministry. He, however, acted as pastor for the church at DuBoistown for a few years without pay.

The foundation of the old barn on East Third Street which was destroyed by fire some time ago, has been filled up and sown with grass seed. It adds greatly to the appearance of the street.

O. D. Sheldon, Bessie Moore, Ella Labar and Mabel Williams, who were arrested last week on the charge of keeping a disorderly house, and not being able to secure bail were sent to jail, were all released on Monday morning on their own recognizance.

JONAS LONG'S SONS' WEEKLY CHATS.

WILKES-BARRE, PA.,

May 20th, 1897.

The Grand Mid Season Clearng Sale now being held in our Iress goods, silks, domestics and souse furnishing departments fairy dazzles with money saving barrains. No time like the present o buy goods, prices lower than hey've been for years. And renember that our prices are always ower than others. The best, yet he cheapest, is our big trade nagnet; its attracting more and nore attention daily. Write juickly for your needs this week, is we cannot guarantee quantities or prices-almost giving away goods make them quick sellers.

All Linen Unbleached Crash at he ward 5 1/4 c. 58-Inch Silver Bleached Table

Linen, worth 35c. will be sold at SUMMER DRESS GOODS.

32-Inch Jaconets reduced to the yard 5c.

Cardinal and Navy Blue Ground Organdies and Dimities with small white dots and figures, the latest for shirt waists etc., at the yard 12 1/2 c.

DRESS LININGS.

Best Cambric Dress Linings at the yard 4c.

29-Inch Rusteline, all colors, 41/2C

Yard wide soft finish Rusteline at 10c.

DRESS FABRICS.



portunity to obtain a new dress for yourself or children at a trifling cost. 2,474 yards of fine check and tweed designs in double widthdress goods,

A splendid op-

the best bargain on record, worth 121/2c; we close the lot at 71/2c.

A grand offer of 5,760 yards, the greatest assortment ever offered, comprising Balero checks in all colors, self colored Mohair ing himself on Saturday.

—With a tumor in his throat that novelties the retail price of the to 25c.; we will close out the ca

tire lot this week at the yard 10c. 1,241 yards of 42-inch all wool diagonal and crystal twill storm serge, the finest goods of the description yet offered, retail price

BLACK DRESS GOODS.



A combination of all black soliel and are murette, all black figured Mohair, and 45. inch double warps English serge, usually re-

tailed at from 59c. to 65c.; we give you at the choicest kind of a bargain at 44c.

We have about 2,000 yards of Black Dress Silks, including satis Duchesse, Gros Grain, Armure, Faille Francaise, 36-inch Dress regular price from 89c. to \$1.00, we will close the entire lot at the yard 67c.

While the lot lasts we offer black and all evening shades of Mirror Velour silk, the quality sold by most stores at \$1.50, for

WINDOW SCREENS.

We are headquarters for window screens. This week we offer screen doors finished in walnut, any ordinary size, are complete

ready to hang at 74c. SPECIAL DINNER SET.

100 piece English Porcelain dinner set, new shape, new decorations, imported by our firm, good value at \$11.00; we introduce them at \$6.98.

Cor. W. Market and Public Square,

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