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**OUR OFFERS FOR 1898.**

We are able to offer our subscribers some special inducements for advance payments for 1898. **THE COLUMBIAN**, and *New York World*, three times a week, \$1.65. **COLUMBIAN** and *Philadelphia Weekly Times* 1.45. **COLUMBIAN** and *Demorest's Magazine*, 1.75. **COLUMBIAN** and *Farm News*, 1.00. Subscribe now, and get the benefit of these reduced rates.

**A HANDSOME CALENDAR**

Every subscriber who has paid in advance for **THE COLUMBIAN** will be presented with a handsome calendar for 1898, by mail. Every one who pays during December will also receive one. Those who come first will have several designs to select from.

The first of the year is a good time to square up, and take a fresh start. Owing to carelessness on the part of some, and the hard times on the part of others, a much larger number of our subscribers than usual, have not paid for **THE COLUMBIAN** during the past year. Statements have been, and will be sent to all who are in arrears, and those who receive them are earnestly requested to make payment. Please do not lay them aside with the idea that any time will do. We need the money now.

**BRIEF MENTION.**

**About People You Know.**

J. D. Holt of Tamaqua, manufacturer of pool and billiard tables is in town this week.  
Charles Kelchner of Philadelphia, visited his parents in town over Sunday.  
Judge C. G. Murphy was an interested listener in court this week.  
Geo. C. Roan, foreman of this office, is doing jury duty this week.  
Miss Mary Sprague of Williamsport, was the guest of William Musher and family on Fifth Street over Sunday.  
Mrs. F. W. Mears of Brooklyn, is visiting friends in Bloomsburg. She will remain till after Christmas.  
Mrs. L. N. Moyer, Mrs. T. J. Vanderslice and Mrs. J. W. Eyer are visiting friends at Wilkesbarre.  
Mrs. E. W. Elwell of Towanda, came down on Wednesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Dr. McKelvy.  
W. R. Kocher and family, who have been visiting among relatives and friends at Outlet, Luzerne Co., have returned home.  
Guy Jacoby and wife visited friends at Sunbury over Sunday. They returned home on the early train Monday morning. He says the fires all going in the large iron foundry on approaching Danville was a very pretty sight.



**Fragrant Offerings.**

EXQUISITE PERFUMES form a tempting part of our Holiday stock.  
STERLING SILVER Novelties in beautiful varieties.  
LEATHER GOODS in form of pocket books, letter books, dressing cases, and dozens of beautiful articles in leather.  
**Hand Painted Novelties** in dainty array and cheap in price.  
**LOOK AT OUR WINDOWS.**  
We Take Magazine Tickets.  
**W. S. RISHTON, Ph. C.,**  
Pharmacist,  
Opposite P. O.

Legal advertisements on page 7.  
Christmas shoppers are on the go.  
A young son came to the home of Clark Sheep on Friday.  
J. Wesley Moyer, is presenting his customers and friends with his 1898 calendars.  
Yesterday was observed by all Catholics as the Holiday of Obligation.  
Congress met on Monday. The President's message appears in this paper.  
Mrs. Michael Walter, of Third Street, fell against the stove on Monday and broke one of her ribs.

Frank Parks on Tuesday bought John Jacobs' barber shop over H. M. Hockman's candy store.

The work of removing the dead from the M. E. Church lot has been begun.

The license of John Gross at the Grand Restaurant was transferred to J. R. Fowler on Wednesday.

Slight changes have been made in the Pennsylvania Railroad time table, which appears in another column.

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Council will be held in the council chamber to-night.

Mrs. Richard Henrie, a highly respected lady, died at her home a short distance below Lime Ridge on Tuesday.

William Worthington has been elected captain of the 1898 Lafayette foot ball team. The selection is considered a very good one.

The McNulty Comedy played a three nights engagement at the Opera House last week. The audiences were discouragingly small.

Don't forget Prof. Van Liew's celebrated lecture on the "Slums of New York" at the Methodist Tabernacle Saturday night.

The Normal foot ball team took a trip up to the home of Captain Smethers below Shickshinny on Thursday last. The party numbering in all fifteen, had a delightful time.

The Telephone Company's workmen are busy making changes in their lines about town, on account of the wires coming in contact with the electric light wire.

David Savidge, who resides on Iron Street, met with a serious accident on Saturday afternoon, breaking his arm. It is considered dangerous owing to his advanced age.

William Gibbons of Benton, was an early caller at our office Monday morning. He came down to attend court, and while here renewed his subscription to the COLUMBIAN.

Judge Lynch has authorized the coroner to fill the jury wheel of Luzerne County, Sheriff Martin's complicity in the Lattimer shooting affair rendering him incompetent.

Keep in mind the series of illustrated lectures in the Opera House during the week beginning February 7th, under the auspices of the Episcopal Church. Season tickets will be placed on sale about the first of January.

H. M. Hockman has arranged quite an attraction in one of the show windows of his Exchange bakery, in the shape of a miniature railroad, an engine and three cars, filled with candies which are sent whirling around a circular track by means of a battery.

There is a movement in some sections to have the spring elections abolished and provide for the election of local officials in November of each odd year. The object is to get out the vote, and to do all the voting at once, instead of taking a semi-annual whack at it.

Mrs. William Splain of Columbia died at her home last Saturday. An infant child died only a few days before and the remains of both were brought here for burial on Tuesday. Rev. D. N. Kirkby conducted the services. The deceased formerly resided here.

The University of Pennsylvania it is estimated will realize about \$90,800 from foot ball the past season. This amount will entirely lift the deficit and leave a snug sum in the treasury for maintaining the other teams of the University up to the usual standard.

J. Irvin Steel, editor of the Advocate and a daily paper at Ashland, was married on November 13th, to Miss Estelle, daughter of R. H. Thomas of Mechanicsburg. Mr. Steel is one of the oldest and best known editors of the State, and we extend to him our most hearty congratulations, and wish him and his bride many years of happiness.

The Berwick lockup was destroyed by fire at an early hour Sunday morning. The origin of the fire is not known.

The regular December term of Court began Monday. The attendance is pretty large.

The great six day bicycle race started at New York at 12.15 on Monday, with thirty-six contestants.

It is said that an epidemic of measles is raging at Light Street. More than seventy cases have been reported.

Fred, aged about eight years, died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry, on Sixth Street Saturday night.

The following letters are advertised Dec. 7, 1897. Mr. H. M. Culver, Mr. Chas. Everett, Mr. W. F. Holmes, Mr. Sheridan Thomas. Will be sent to the dead letter office Dec. 21, 1897. JAMES H. MERCER, P. M.

Sperline, who pitched for Lock Haven in the Central League last summer, and who was "dead easy" for the Blue Birds, has signed a New York National League contract for next season. It wouldn't be bad judgment if he would buy a return ticket, as they won't need him after the first game.

Washburn's Minstrels appeared at the Opera House last night. The troupe is evidently traveling on the manager's former reputation. The end men were no good, the jokes stale and the singing very bum. The work of the contortionist was about the only noteworthy feature of the whole performance.

The C. E. Society of the Presbyterian Church will hold a Christmas Sale and supper on Tuesday, December 14th, beginning at 5 o'clock, in the church parlors. All kinds of fancy and useful articles and prettily dressed dolls will be for sale. A hot supper served for 25 cents. Ice Cream and cake extra.

Calvin Pardee & Co., of Hazleton will retire from the Company Store business beginning with January and after that date will conduct their store on a strictly cash basis and enter into active competition with other merchants. The doctor and the priest will have to do their own collecting after that date.

Herman Paul Shultz was hanged in the county jail at Milford, Pa., Tuesday morning for the murder of his wife at that place on September 21, 1896. He read a paper from the scaffold protesting his innocence, but extending forgiveness to everybody connected with his conviction. This was the first man ever hanged in Pike County.

Judge Ferguson of Philadelphia, has decided the inheritance tax law passed by the last legislature to be unconstitutional. This law provides that all estates of \$5000 and over in personal property shall be subject to a tax of 2 mills on the dollar. Several other Judges have declared the law void. It will now go to the Supreme Court.

Detective Matz of Reading, who was employed by L. S. Wintersteen, and who was arrested last October and bound over to this court on a charge of subornation of perjury, was in town on Monday, but went home again on being told that the case would be continued. He will never be tried.

Elizabeth, wife of Frank Belles, died at her home in Benton on Sunday. The deceased was about fifty-one years of age and is survived by a husband, one son and a daughter. Funeral services will be held today.

**Puny Children**

Who would prescribe only tonics and bitters for a weak, puny child? Its muscles and nerves are so thoroughly exhausted that they cannot be whipped into activity. The child needs food; a blood-making, nerve-strengthening and muscle-building food.

**Scott's Emulsion**

of Cod-Liver Oil is all of this, and you still have a tonic in the hypophosphites of food and soda to act with the food. For thin and delicate children there is no remedy superior to it in the world. It means growth, strength, plumpness and comfort to them. Be sure you get SCOTT'S Emulsion. 50c. and \$1.00, all druggists. SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York.



PROF. H. P. VAN LIEW.

"Slums of New York by Flash-Light" is the subject of Prof. Van Liew's great lecture in the Methodist Church next Saturday evening Dec. 11. It is illustrated by one hundred views, 18 ft. square, thrown upon the screen by a powerful new double stereopticon, in which are used two 750-candle power oxy-hydrogen lights. The presentation is thrilling and vivid, yet free absolutely from all that might offend the most refined. It never fails to delight, and it is original in style. Search-lights are turned on the great city, the bright side and the dark are happily interwoven and the tears will be chased away by laughter. It is one of the most unique, interesting, and instructive entertainments ever given in Bloomsburg. In order to bring it within the reach of all, it has been decided to charge no stipulated amount for admission, but to receive a silver offering at the door. It is a 50 cent entertainment and hence it is hoped and expected that persons will not drop pennies in the plates, but will give a silver offering. Doors open at 7:00 and the lecture will begin at 7:45.

Program for an entertainment to be held at the M. E. Church Friday evening, beginning at seven o'clock. No admission, but a silver offering will be taken. Come and hear the little people.  
"Little Hands can Serve Him"—By Primary Class.  
Rec.—"What Little Folks can do."—Warren Shutt.  
"Happy Greeting"—Seven little girls.  
Rec.—By Mira Blatchley.  
Solo—"The Snow Prayer."—Bessie Eastman.  
"Birthday Box Exercise"—By Primary Class.  
Song—"The Crown Jewel."—By seven little girls.  
Rec.—Surah White.  
Song—"Happy Little Home"—By class of little girls.  
Rec.—Robbie Elliott.  
Class Song—"The Sabbath Bells."  
Song and Rec.—"Little Builders."—By class of boys.  
"Under The Trees." Trio—The Misses Hess.  
Rec.—Fred Kline.  
Solo—Mary Cook.  
Song—"Children's Prayer"—By class of little girls.  
Rec.—Nellie Rawlings.  
"God Took Care of the Baby."—Class Song.  
Rec.—Allen Fornwald.

It is reported that ex-Congressman Fred C. Leonard of Potter, will succeed Hon. Grant Herring as collector of internal revenue in this district. Collector Herring's term will expire January 20, and his successor will be appointed about that time.

Everybody Says So. Casorets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, act gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispel colds, cure headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. to-day; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

J. E. ROYS.



**Christmas Presents**

What is more beautiful or more precious than something useful in toilet articles mounted with STERLING SILVER, or some piece of jewelry engraved with a beautiful monogram. There is truly nothing that will take its place or fill the heart with greater pleasure and gratitude. Don't fail to see our magnificent assortment. We carry only the finest and positively reliable goods. All articles hand engraved without extra charge.  
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Jeweler and Optician.

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**Dress Goods.**

A good line suitable for gift giving in all the newest effects, at popular prices, both in black and colored. A Special black figured, 46 in., black satin, all wool, at 75c yd.

**Fur Collarettes.**

Good lines, new effects, neck scarfs, muffs, &c., suitable for Gifts.

**Framed Pictures.**

We show good lines of these goods for Holiday buying.

**Umbrellas.**

We show full lines of Ladies and Gents in new assortments to-day, suitable for gift giving.

**Coats and Capes**

Always make a useful gift. Our lines of Ladies' and Children's Coats offer good assortments, at low prices.

**Dressing Sacques.**

Right here is an article that will suit almost any lady. SEE THEM.

**H. J. CLARK & SON.**

I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

**NOVELTIES are our Specialty for Holiday Sales.**

We have many new novelties this season never before kept.  
A table full of horses, goats, birds, dogs, cats, cars, delivery wagons, omnibuses, steam fire engines, beds, bureaus, cradles, small trunks, stoves, and many other articles for children, with a table of dolls dressed and undressed.  
A table of books, games, blocks, puzzles, etc.  
A table of albums, picture frames, easels, etc.  
A table of plush, wood and celluloid boxes, work boxes, cuff and collar boxes, manicure sets, etc.  
A table of 10c articles of different kinds, glassware, plates, inkstands etc.  
A table of 25c articles, many of them worth double what they are marked.  
A table of miscellaneous articles at all prices.  
A table of 5c articles, very interesting to children.  
And then comes 35 feet of shelving filled with the finest Chinaware in Columbia county. You ask the ladies where the nicest China and Japanese ware can be found, and nine out of ten will say at HARTMANS'.

Don't lose sight of this fact, that whilst we make Novelties Special for Presents, we have in stock Fur, Plush and Cloth Capes, with a large stock of Ladies', Misses' and Children's Jackets, which we are now offering at low prices; many of them less than wholesale prices.

I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

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