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Great Britain refused to agree to our proposed international treaty prohibiting either American or British subjects from hunting seals in the open sea at present.

Plainly But Truly Spoken. At a meeting of Cuban sympathizers in Philadelphia last week to condemn Spain's deceptive offer of autonomy.

To Advance the Cost of Living. Prosperity is on the way. The price of nails, thread, hose, tinware, rubber, enameled ware, machinery, and bread are to be advanced by the Trusts.

Superior Court Changes. Plan to Do Away With the Sessions in Williamsport and Scranton.

Novel Bill Collecting. A man to whom a small debt is owed has taken a novel way to collect it.

Senator Quay says he will not move his home from Beaver.

THIS YEAR. This year 1898 commenced on Saturday and of course will close on Saturday—years that are not leap year always commences and end on the same day of the week.

The holidays of the year will fall on the following days of the week: New Years on Saturday; Washington's birthday on Tuesday; Decoration Day on Monday; July 4th on Monday; Labor day on Monday.

The church seasons, or the most important ones, fall as follows: Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, will be on February 24. The penitential season will close on Palm Sunday, April 3, when Holy Week commences.

August is the only month in the year which will bring five changes in the moon. The moon will be full on the first and last days of the month, therefore it should be a month of plenty of moonlight, which vacationists will greatly appreciate.

STATS NEWS. Joel Davidson, of Mahoning Valley, has been missing since December 21. Foul play is suspected.

Center County farmers will try to grow peaches. More than 10,000 trees have been planted during the past six months.

The returns from the triennial assessments show 57,141 taxables in Berks County.

A \$450,000 syndicate has assumed control of the milk business of Scranton, absorbing all the smaller dealers.

Joseph Baker, aged 72, Friday evening at Pittsburg married Anna Gray, aged 70. Both live at New Kensington, Pa.

The Pennsylvania railroad company has placed an order for 100,000 tons of steel rails with five different companies, as follows: Pennsylvania steel company and Cambria iron company 25,000 tons each; Carnegie steel company, 30,000 tons; Lackawanna iron company, 5,000 tons, and the Illinois steel company, 15,000 tons.

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It begins to look as though Spain will not be contented until war is declared with this country. Consul General Lee, who is at Havana has been given authority to call for any war ships, whenever he deems it necessary to save American interests on the Island.

THE BAR ASSOCIATION. There is much activity in the several Counties of the State, among the Bar Associations. The requirements for admission to the Bar are everywhere being insisted upon, and preliminary education, and increased terms of study are required.

The honor of the body of the Bar, as a profession, and not as a mere business, much less as a trade to be followed, is raising the personnel of the members, and in dress and demeanor on the street as well as in the Court, is expected, and the members are rising to the occasion.

Members of the most important of the learned professions, their duties to themselves, society, the state, and to the administration of civil and criminal law forces them to a very high position, which they should strive to adequately fill and to adorn. It is mainly the lawyers who fill the highest civil offices, the Presidency, the Senate, Congress, the foreign ministers, the Consuls; and it should be their pride to be prepared for a call to the highest places.

Every member of the Bar of Columbia County ought to be a member of the Bar Association, attend its meetings, take part in the business, and give it personal, professional and social position.

THE PRESIDENT. COLUMBIA COUNTY PROHIBITION CONFERENCE.

Notice is hereby given to the Prohibition County Committeemen and to all Prohibition workers of Columbia county to meet in conference at the office of M. P. Lutz & Son, Bloomsburg, Pa., on Tuesday, January 25, 1898, at 3 o'clock p. m. to prepare for the campaign of 1898.

The County Committee will at this time have before them the fixing of the time and place for holding next County Convention, perfecting the organization of our party as provided under the new rules adopted at last County Convention, and other business of great importance.

The committeemen of North and South Sugarloaf, East and West Greenwood, Millville Borough, East and West Scott and the Town of Bloomsburg comprising the Bloom Poor District will nominate a candidate for the office of Director of the Poor for said District.

The following committees will each organize and outline their work for the campaign, viz: Finance, Meeting, Organization, Literature, Publication, Voting Places, Law, Music.

W. B. CUMMINGS, County Chairman. C. B. LUTZ, Secretary.

Arrangements are being made for Hon. William J. Bryan to visit Scranton on or about February 14th. A committee to make the detail arrangements has been named but the work is in charge of the entire County Committee.

Poisoned Blood. Disagreeable itching spread all over his body—Sleep Disturbed—Hood's Sarsaparilla Drove Out the Poison and Cured.

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Hood's Sarsaparilla. Hood's Pills. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the Best in fact the One True Blood Purifier.

SEE THE BIG REDUCTION IN MERCHANT TAILORING, FOR 10 DAYS. \$16.00 SUITS NOW \$13.00. Made to your measure at TOWNSEND'S, MERCHANT TAILOR.

LITERARY NOTE. Success in "Striking" Titles. The value of a striking title to an article or story is understood by no American periodical so well as The Ladies' Home Journal, writes a New York correspondent.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE. Estate of James Johnson, Deceased. The undersigned Auditor, appointed by the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, to make distribution of the funds in the hands of the administrator, to and among the parties legally entitled thereto, will sit at the office of W. H. Snyder, Esq., in Bloomsburg, Pa., on Monday, January 21, 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m., to perform the duties of his appointment, when and where all parties having claims against said funds, must appear and prove the same, or be debarred from any share thereof.

SHERIFF'S SALE. By virtue of writ of alias F. Pa. and Vend. Ex., issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, Pa., and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg, on SATURDAY, FEBY 12, 1898,

at 2 o'clock p. m., all that certain piece, parcel or lot of ground, situate in the town of Bloomsburg, Columbia county and state of Pennsylvania, at the south-east corner of Ninth street and an extension of Iron street, thence along said Ninth street north sixty-five degrees and fifty minutes, east three hundred feet to lands lately laid out and sold by O. A. Jacoby and his administrators; thence by same south twenty-eight degrees and five minutes, east one hundred and twenty-eight and one-tenth feet, thence westwardly parallel with Ninth street three hundred seven and one-fourth feet to Iron street aforesaid, thence by same north twenty-four degrees and twenty minutes, west one hundred and twenty-eight feet to the place of beginning, whereon are erected a TWO-STORY BRICK BUILDING used for manufacturing purposes, and out-buildings.

Setled, taken into execution at the suit of F. J. Richard, Trustee, vs. The Bloomsburg Manufacturing Company, and F. W. Jones vs. The Bloomsburg Manufacturing Company, and to be sold as the property of The Bloomsburg Manufacturing Company. W. W. B. 'CK, Sheriff. 7-20-18

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at two o'clock p. m., all that certain message, tenement and tract of land, lying and being in, on the north-west corner of Catharine street, in the town of Bloomsburg, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a corner of Eight and Catharine streets, north twenty-five degrees and fifty-six minutes, west seventy feet to a stone corner of lot of C. W. Miller, thence along same south sixty-two degrees and fifteen minutes, west thirty feet to a stone corner of lot of F. G. Yorks, thence along same south twenty-four degrees and fifty-six minutes, east seventy feet to Eighth street, thence along said Eighth street north sixty-six degrees and thirty minutes, east thirty feet to the place of beginning.

Setled, taken into execution at the suit of the Anglo American Savings and Loan Association vs. Hattie L. Webb and J. Nelson Webb, and to be sold as the property of Hattie L. Webb and J. Nelson Webb. Little & Tustin, Attorneys. W. W. BLACK, Sheriff. 7-20-18

WIDOW'S APPRAISEMENTS. NOTICE. The following Widows' Appraisements will be presented to the Orphans' Court of Columbia County Feb. 7th 1898 and confirmed nisi, and unless exceptions are filed within four days will be confirmed finally.

John Neymann, Personality \$300.00. Henry Rote, Personality \$300.00. Richard Edwards, Personality \$102.60 Realty \$197.40. Matthias Heller, Personality \$300.00. Jacob H. Cressy, Personality \$300.00. Parson Edwards, Personality \$300.00. Est. of William Frabler, late of Cleveland twp. deceased, Personality, \$300.00. Est. of Daniel Fritz, late of Sugarloaf twp. deceased, Personality \$300.00. W. H. HENRIE, Clk. Orphans' Court.

The Great Clearing Sale

CONTINUED. One week devoted to the rapid movement of accumulated stock in all departments. Every item must find an anxious buyer, and every buyer must see the unparalleled money saving.

Two Great Features of the Sale: Saves money for the public. Moves stock for the merchant.

Dress Goods. In measuring our goods for stock taking, we have taken full bolts, broken bolts, dress lengths, and remnants out of our great line of Dress Goods, from 25c to \$1.25, and put them in four lots. We did not consider the cost, but what price will move them.

Ladies' Coats. Not one of the hundred up-to-date garments escape the price pruning knife. Profits go a gleaming, and cost is lost sight of.

Blankets. If you want a pair of blankets, now is the time to buy them. We cannot replace them for the price we offer them next fall, but we don't want the care of them through the summer.

Muslins. 10 yds. Hill muslin, 47c. Unbleached muslin, equal to Appleton A, at 4c yd. Best quality unbleached muslin, 20 yds. for \$1.00. Lancaster Gingham, staples, 4 1/2 c y.

Tinware. We have a big lot of tinware that must be closed at once, so we throw them in three lots and let them go. It is next thing to giving them away but they go at these prices.

Lot No. 1 @ 3c. Lot No. 2 @ 5c. Lot No. 3 @ 10c.

F. P. PURSEL, JONES & WALTNER are still doing BUSINESS at the old stand, 50 West Main Street, Bloomsburg, Pa. Watch this space next week.

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