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## THE NEW ORGAN.

To the COLUMBIAN:

Sir: Observing by the last issue of your paper that the old organ of St. Paul's Church, is about to be replaced by a new one of a more modern make, larger and more expensive, a good word in parting ought to be said for the passing instrument. And I therefore copy for you, out of the *Church Kalendar* of June 1874, the following article, headed:

### OUR NEW ORGAN.

On the Sunday after Ascension Day, the first pipe organ ever brought to Bloomsburg was used for the first time in St. Paul's Church. The Rector and Mr. Geo. Elwell obtained subscriptions for the purchase of the instrument during the latter part of the month of April. The Vestry of the parish appointed them a committee to visit Philadelphia or New York to make the purchase, limiting the price to \$1,200. After communicating with all the noted organ builders in the country, it was decided to visit the warerooms of H. Kauff & Son, of Philadelphia. Here was found the instrument now in our church. It is not a new one, but has been rebuilt and remodeled by the above named gentlemen, who warrant it as good as new, and ask only \$1,200 for it, though it was originally valued at \$3,000. It has nearly double the capacity of a new organ at that price, having a front of ten feet, a depth of nine feet, a height of fourteen feet, two manuals of keys, an octave of pedal keys, eighteen stops, and about 800 pipes. It occupies nearly the entire space of the organ chamber of the church, making it necessary to seat the singers on the choir proper. Three men were occupied eight days in setting it up and tuning it. It has a very sweet tone, and the full power of its voice causes the whole church to vibrate. All who heard it on the Sunday after Ascension Day expressed themselves as very agreeably disappointed. The addition of its use in the church services is more valuable than many had supposed it could be; and some of those who either opposed its introduction, or did not give encouragement to it, have been willing to admit that their fears were groundless. No one could help confessing that the grandest church music ever heard in this town was rendered on the Sunday our organ was first used, and Old Hundred rang through the aisles and arches of St. Paul's as it had never rung before.

The rector delivered an address on church music, which elicited the closest attention. He alluded to the first introduction of instrumental music into the church of this place, and read several extracts from the parish records, which spoke of trouble and opposition, and the final triumph of those who used the clarinet, the flute and the viol in the gallery of the old brick church.

More than two thirds of the purchase money has been raised, and it is hoped that within a year the balance will be collected. The subscriptions so far received are as follows:

Children of Sunday School \$158.00, The Ladies' Sewing Society, \$50.00; J. G. Freeze, \$50.00; H. J. Clark, \$50.00; Geo. E. Elwell, \$50.00; Mrs. John Hewitt, \$50.00; William Hart, \$25.00; J. W. Hendershott, \$25.00; R. C. Neal, \$25.00; Wm. Elwell, \$25.00; L. Bernhard, \$5.00; John M. Clark, \$5.00; M. P. Lutz, \$5.00; S. M. Hess, \$5.00; O. T. Wilson, \$5.00; W. H. Gilmore, \$5.00; Mary Christman, \$5.00; W. C. McKinney, \$5.00; J. E. Wilson, \$5.00; Clarence Clark, \$5.00; I. W. McKelvy, \$25.00; E. Nendenhall, \$25.00; E. R. Drinker, \$25.00; Lloyd Paxton, \$25.00; J. J. Brower, \$25.00; John A. Funston, \$25.00; M. W. Monroe, \$25.00; B. F. Hartman, \$20.00; J. H. Maize, \$20.00; W. B. Koons, \$18.00; Geo. A. Clark, \$10.00; B. H. Vannatta, \$10.00; Chas. Connor, \$10.00; Geo. H. Brown, \$5.00; C. C. Marr, \$5.00; H. W. Sloan, \$5.00; E. J. Thornton, \$5.00; W. H. Brown, \$5.00; F. P. Drinker, \$5.00; H. H. Grotz, \$5.00; A. J. Evans, \$5.00; M. C. Sloan, \$5.00; D. Lowenberg, \$5.00; D. W. Robins, \$5.00; C. W. Miller, \$5.00; Mrs. Martha Clark, \$3.00; Miss Jane Vance, \$2.00; E. Jacoby, \$2.00; T. V. Vannatta, \$2.00; John Laycock, \$2.00; W. O. Holmes, \$1.00; M. F. Eyerley, \$1.00; Miss Margaret Weaver, \$1.00; Miss Lizzie Leonard, \$1.00; Sale of the old organ, \$100.00; Special collection in church, \$27.50.

The pleasant weather of the last few days had the effect of bringing out the wheelmen of town. We noticed several 1898 models on the street, but the majority were last years wheels polished up.

## The Lattimer Case at an End.

The attorney in the famous Martin case finished their addresses to the jury about four o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, and Judge Woodward immediately began his address to the jury. He began by saying:

"He has been, for all times, the chief peace officer of his bailiwick. Under all the systems of government which have recognized the law as the supreme rule of action, it has been found absolutely necessary to vest in some one person the ultimate power to preserve the peace, to quell disorder and to suppress riot. And his power is largely a discretionary one. In a time of great emergency or in a crisis of unusual danger the limits under which his discretion may be exercised have been held by the courts to be without fixed limits. For this reason the military arm of the government is never raised to suppress civil disorder until the authority of the sheriff has been exhausted in an unsuccessful effort to maintain the peace. The sheriff may avail himself of the services of military organizations. He may order them into his posse, not as soldiers, but as citizens trained and disciplined for effective service in critical emergencies."

The Judge then reviewed all the evidence in the case and closed by saying:

"It is claimed by the commonwealth that after the firing of the volley some one of the defendants left the line of the deputies and continued to shoot at the strikers as they fled to the rear. Some of the witnesses for the prosecution swore that such was the case. But this is strenuously denied by all the witnesses for the defense who were on the ground and there is no undisputed evidence identifying one of the defendants as the party implicated in any such movement. We say to you that if the purpose of the posse of the sheriff, was originally a lawful purpose, and one of the deputies in obedience of the sheriff's order, in reference to firing, did continue to fire after all necessity for so doing had ceased, then if such person could be identified as the slayer of the deceased he ought to be convicted of one or the other of the offenses charged in this indictment as the jury might decide."

"In conclusion, gentlemen, you will say by your verdict, whether the defendants, or any of them are guilty of murder, you will also say whether of murder in the first degree, or of murder in the second degree, or of manslaughter. If you determine to acquit them both of murder and manslaughter, then you will render a general verdict of not guilty. The duty of the court has now been performed and the case is in your hands."

The jury went out Tuesday afternoon about four o'clock. They returned Wednesday morning with a verdict of not guilty. There was only one ballot taken. There is some talk of future trials but it is not believed that the Lattimer affair will be heard in the courts again.

## Base Ball Chat.

The make-up of the club for the coming season appears to be all the absorbing theme at the Normal School at present. Several of the last year's men will probably be seen on the team again this season, but just who they are and what position they will play it is a little too early to say. Manager M. L. Laubach, in an interview with the COLUMBIAN reporter yesterday, stated that he had weeded out the list of candidates for the nine last week. They have been out on the diamond several times, and have been going through training in the gymnasium for the past month. Mr. Laubach said that he has had a good chance to select the best players from among the list and in his opinion the club this year will be equal to any that has ever represented the school. Those who have been retained as the nucleus for the team are as follows: Harry Berry, Walter Jones, Thomas Byron, John Landis, and Lambert McHenry all of whom played last season and the following new men: R. M. Williams, David Williams, David Thomas, John McGuffie, J. W. Pace and Alfred Birmingham. The first game will be played April 18.

The Central Pennsylvania Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church will be held in Danville, beginning on the 16th of this month.



## THE STORE THAT

# "Sets the Pace."

The first of April next will commemorate the Sixth Anniversary of the opening of this store. It will also show you the phenomenal growth of a business, from a store 25 feet front by 50 feet deep in 1893, and 1250 square feet of floor space; in 1895 to 5000 square feet, and in 1898, 9000 square feet is entirely devoted to the retailing of Clothing, Hats and Outfittings for men and boys, Shoes for men, women and children. The advancement has been comparatively rapid. The largest, best and finest establishment in central Pennsylvania. Every convenience known to modern retailing in the largest cities is here. Lighted throughout by electricity, heated by steam, toilet rooms, dressing rooms and everything possible for the convenience of patrons. Twelve windows around rear and sides besides the large front windows leave in plenty of sunshine. The past weeks have been busy ones for us unpacking, marking and putting on tables and shelves shipments of New Spring Goods, and

## NOW WE ARE READY.

We believe you will agree with us that it is the handsomest showing of merchandise that ever graced any store in this community.

Men's handsome Spring Suits, the top notch of style, Elegant! Tasty! Dressy! 5 to \$15. Plain lined ones, faced with cloth to shoulder, pure wool, splendid fitting, dark and medium colors, at \$5.00. Nobby, Stylish clothes, the very newest patterns, \$7.50 (About 30 styles.) Rich! Elegant! Suits, silk lined, custom made throughout, lining guaranteed for two seasons, 10 or \$12.

## Spring Overcoats,

Splendid black or gray mixed, pure wool at \$5.

Elegant Italian lined covert cloth, mohair sleeve lining, \$8.50. Swell English top coats silk lined covert cloth, \$12. Black Vienna silk lined, \$10.



## Children's Novelties,

Cute Creations of the tailors art for little folks, age 3 to 8. Exclusive styles in Blouse, Vestee, Junior, Fauntleroy and Reefer, commencing at \$1.98 for a pretty little Vestee Suit.

\$2.48 for a handsome tan colored one, trimmed with green soutache braid, then by easy stages to \$6.00.

## New Spring Hats,

For men, for boys or children, Correct Styles, Fashionable Colors. Pure fur Fedora or Derby, \$1.00. The "Amphion" Derby, \$2.50.

## Shoes.

This Shoe Store commands your attention for stylish, good wearing shoes and at no higher prices than the cheaper sort.

The new Spring Styles are coming in daily.

# GIDDING & CO.,

## The Free Delivery.

Carriers are forbidden:

To deliver mail matter in the street, even to the owner, unless he be personally known and the delivery can be made without unreasonable delay.

To deliver mail matter in boxes or other receptacles at premises not occupied in whole or in part by the addressee, except by the special order of the postmaster.

To throw mail matter into windows or halls, unless specially instructed to do so, but they must ring the bell and wait a reasonable length of time for an answer and deliver to some one in the house in the habit of receiving it.

To enter any house while on their trips except in the discharge of their official duties.

To stop for their meals while on their trips.

To deliver any mail matter intrusted to them (except on the order of the postmaster or some authorized person to act for him) to persons other than those addressed.

To deviate from their respective routes.

To carry letters for delivery in their pockets.

To engage in any business not connected with this service during their hours of business.

To throw away or improperly dispose of mail matter, however trifling or unimportant it may appear to them.

To remove stamps from mail matter of any class whatever, intrusted to them for delivery or collected by them for mailing.

Rev. Bannerman, a missionary from Africa, will give a lecture in the Presbyterian Church on Friday evening at 7.30 o'clock. His talk will be drawn from actual experiences, and will be sure to interest all who attend. Everybody is invited. Admission free. A collection will be taken to defray expenses.

The production of "The Golden Gulch" by home talent, for the benefit of the Cuban Relief Fund at the Opera House on Thursday night of last week, was not very well attended. The performance was very good.

## PROF. OOLES.

Predicts Beautiful Sunset Scenes During This Month.

We have reasons to believe that another comet will be in reach of the great telescopes this month; that strange phenomenal sunrise and sunset scenes, sun dogs and sun-bows will be seen in the skies; that a large meteor will fall to earth; that the magnetic currents will produce white lightning; that rainbows will be seen at midnight; that strange electrical phenomena will cause the needles in mariners' compasses to reverse; that snow will fall in some localities in colors of yellow and cream.

The break in the gaseous matter passing over the sun occurred last month upon the very day that we had marked on our Storm and Sign calendar. This month there may be three breaks: One in the early part of the month, one in the middle, another during the latter part. If these breaks do not occur, then March will turn into a spring month and give us a surprise. If they do, then great destruction will follow. Storms will cause unprecedented floods, the Eastern States will get a surprise; blizzards will reach far into the South; cyclones, blizzards and floods will sweep the Western and Northern States, and tornadoes and high gales will sweep the coasts and Great Lakes and produce a tidal wave. Watch out for strange electrical storms accompanied with white lightning.

The Christians are holding nightly meetings this week over Hess Bros. jewelry store. The services are conducted by Rev. J. W. McNamara, of Littleton, North Carolina. He was a former pastor of the Christian churches at Benton and Stillwater.

The following letters are advertised March 8, '98. Mr. Jones Bonsley, Mr. W. E. Clark, Mr. Elmer Laycock, C. B. Keller, Mr. C. H. Moyer, Miss Sarah Robinson, Mr. Arthur Stetler. Will be sent to the dead letter office March 22, '98.

JAMES H. MERCER, P. M.

## Normal Wins.

The Clover Wheelmen of Philadelphia, dropped a game of basketball to the State Normal team at the gymnasium Monday evening. The game was not a very clear exhibition, foul after foul being made by both sides. The first part of the game was rather one sided, but in the second half the visitors took a brace and the finish was very exciting. McGuffie and Bray carried off the honors for the Normal, while Straka did excellent work for Philadelphia. The teams lined up as follows:

Normal	Position	Clover W.
Berry	Attack	Kleinman
McGuffie	Attack	Straka
Bray	Centre	Schussler
Berr	Defense	Riggs
Smethers	Defense	Halterman

Score—Normal, 15; Clover Wheelmen, 10; Goals from field—Berry, 2; Aldinger, Kleinman. Goals from fouls—Berry, 9; Kleinman, 8; Umpires—Kleinman, Clover Wheelmen; Detweiler, Normal. Referee—Butts, Normal. Timer—Cope, Normal. Time—Two 20-minute halves.

"Our Fire Laddies" was written especially for Miss Turner. It is one of the greatest fire plays ever presented here—and we have had the "Still Alarm," "One of the Bravest," and others. It abounds in keen wit, bright humor, and genuine pathos. It is also rapid in action, and the interest never flags, as every character without exception, is first class. It is pure as crystal in word and action. Every act has a powerful ending, and the final climax ends with a burning house. Flames, sparks and smoke are real. The brave fireman ascends the ladder to a second story window, and amidst the flames, smoke and sparks, rescues Nellie, ending the play, amidst a whirlwind of enthusiasm and excitement.—Dubuque, Ia. Times.

This play will be presented at the Bloomsburg Opera House, for the benefit of the Band, March 17, 18 and 19.

The only new thing in "social functions" this winter comes from Louisville, Kentucky, where a man before committing suicide, sent out very courteous invitations to all his friends to be present at his funeral.

## Very Strong Element.

Rev. J. J. Woolley, best-known congregational minister in the state of Rhode Island, Chaplain of Tower Post, G. A. R. and Pastor of Park Place Congregational Church Pawtucket R. I. says: One of the best and most delightful evenings this winter was spent in listening to Dr. Spencer lecture on "The World's Great Battle Fields." It was full of instruction and interest. His pictures of our war of the rebellion, in which he was an actor, were thrilling in the extreme, stirring the patriotic feelings of his listeners greatly. He sang several well-known songs: in particular the Battle Hymn of the Republic, with telling effect. I shall always think of Dr. Spencer as one who has contributed to my treasury of profitable and memorable experiences." This great lecture will be delivered in the Methodist Church next Tuesday evening March 15.

## Townsend's Opening.

The Star Clothing House was opened with due formality last Friday evening. The new store room was brilliantly lighted with electric lights, and the display of new goods was very attractive. Excellent music was furnished by Rizzo's Concert Orchestra. Palms and other plants in great profusion decorated the shelves and corners. A great crowd thronged the place, many ladies being present, and each one was presented with a bottle of perfumery.

## OUBAN LIBERTY.

On Sunday evening next, the Pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Rev. G. H. Hemingway, will deliver a sermon on "Cuba's Right to Civil and Religious Liberty." This is a timely subject and its discussion should be heard by a large audience.

Owing to the illness of the pastor, Rev. B. C. Conner, the services in the Methodist Church last Sunday were conducted by Rev. G. H. Day, of Rivers'ide.