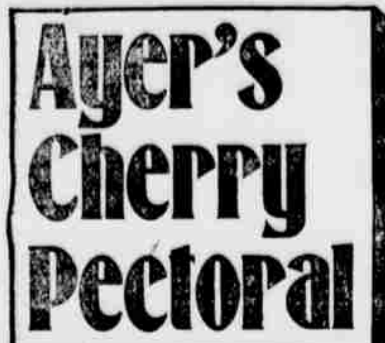


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Are you frequently hoarse? Do you have that annoying tickling in your throat? Would you feel relieved if you could raise something? Does your cough annoy you at night, and do you raise more mucus in the morning?

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PURELY PERSONAL

A. C. Achenbach of Orangeville spent Monday in town.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Moyer are spending a few days in Philadelphia.

John G. Laubauch of Sugarloaf township served on the Jury this week.

C. B. Jackson Esq., of Perwick spent Wednesday in Wilkes-Barre.

Dr. G. L. Jolly of Orangeville was in Wilkes-Barre on Wednesday.

Miss Mame Gruver came down from Nanticoke and spent Sunday in town.

W. E. Grimes of Light Street was among the visitors to town on Tuesday.

Prof. Albert is one of the instructors at the Montour County Institute at Danville this week.

W. P. Meigs went to Wilkes-Barre on Wednesday on business for the Bloomsburg Car Mfg. Co.

Mrs. Caroline Vansatta of Philadelphia is the guest of her brother, C. F. Knapp, on Normal Hill.

Miss Margaret Laubauch of the local Telephone Exchange is quite seriously ill at her home on East Third street.

John Leiring of Scranton was in Bloomsburg a few days the past week. He is thinking of locating here in the spring.

J. C. Brown will attend a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Pennsylvania School Directors' Association at Harrisburg to-morrow.

Herman L. Collins, formerly connected with the "Williamsport Republican" has been made managing editor of the "Philadelphia Press."

Albert Klinefelter of Briggsville, gave our office a pleasant call while in town on Tuesday. He took along home with him one of our beautiful 1900 calendars.

John C. Wenger of Benton township now a farmer, but once a school teacher, and a valued correspondent of this paper, spent several days in town this week as a juror.

Judge Little, G. W. Keiter, and T. J. Vandercalle went to Washington on Wednesday. They will visit Mount Vernon, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville and other points.

John Hickman of New York City, accompanied by George Tillson of Danville, spent part of Sunday in town with Sheriff Black. The three men were all soldiers in the civil war, members of the same company and had not seen each other for many years. It is needless to say that the meeting was a pleasant one.

Our advertising columns are worth careful perusal. The leading merchants all have interesting announcements for holiday shoppers.

Charles Chalfant is continuing the publication of the Danville *Intelligencer*, the paper published for many years by his father, the late Hon. Thomas Chalfant.

A satisfied smile, an emphatic nod of approval always follows an inspection of our large and handsome line of Xmas goods. Gold and silver watches, diamonds, cut glass, knives and forks, beautiful clocks and a host of other nice things suitable for Christmas gifts at J. E. Roys.

Judge W. G. Ward, 80 years of age, oldest member of the Lackawanna bar, died in Scranton. He was admitted to the Luzerne bar in 1850.

An excellent company, elaborate costumes and fine stage settings are a few features of the "Highwayman." Keep the name in mind until you hear more about it.

Merchants who desire to advertise their holiday goods will do well to place their announcements in THE COLUMBIAN. Next week a copy will be put in every house in town.

Death visited the home of John Shoemaker, in Catawissa, Sunday morning, and removed therefrom Mrs. Samuel Lewis, mother of Mrs. Shoemaker, in the sixty-ninth year of her age.

The action of the Grand Jury in unanimously approving of the erection of a soldiers' monument on Market Square, this town, assures Bloomsburg of at least one big day next year.

The Dushore Review speaks of a woman who wants a divorce because her husband has not taken a bath in nine years. He evidently has a dislike for water.

Any subscribers who desire some canna bulbs, and will send us their names and addresses now, can get the bulbs in the spring, as they are safely housed for the winter. tf

The Men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. Hall next Sunday afternoon will be led by Mr. John W. Lewis. The address will be given by Rev. J. W. Messinger. All are cordially invited.

About 5.30 o'clock Thursday morning the P. O. S. of A. hall at Canby, owned by Henry Mellick, caught fire and was totally destroyed, together with all of the paraphernalia belonging to the organization. The loss is about \$500, with no insurance.

Mrs. John T. Shuman died from a stroke of paralysis, at her home in Catawissa, Monday night. The surviving family consists of a husband and seven children, who will feel the loss of a good and dutiful wife and loving mother. The funeral will occur to-morrow at ten o'clock.

Fire broke out about ten o'clock last night in a two story building on Seventh Street owned and occupied by Herbert Gosh, and before it was extinguished damaged the interior considerably. Mr. Gosh had just recently built an addition to the building. He manufactured toy furniture of every description and the product of the shop found ready sale. The alarm was sent in from box 41.

The Springfield, Missouri, *Republican* of December 8th announces the death of Dr. W. H. Park at his residence in that place, on the 7th inst., after a lingering illness. The funeral took place last Saturday. Dr. Park was born in Milton, Pa. He served as a surgeon in the Civil War from 1862 till 1865 in the 14th Ohio regiment. He was married November 9th, 1858 to Miss Clara Rupert, daughter of the late Hon. L. B. Rupert of this town, who survives him with six children. Mrs. Park was born and raised here, and has a large circle of friends who sympathize with her in her affliction.

The bread which received the first and second premiums at the Columbia county fair in 1898 and 1899 was baked from the Leader flour manufactured by Ikeler & Fleckenstine.

DO YOU GET UP WITH A LAME BACK?

Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.

Almost everybody who reads the newspapers is sure to know of the wonderful cures made by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

It is the great medical triumph of the nineteenth century; discovered after years of scientific research by Dr. Kilmer, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, and is wonderfully successful in promptly curing lame back, kidney, bladder, uric acid troubles and Bright's Disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble.

Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is not recommended for everything but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble it will be found just the remedy you need. It has been tested in so many ways, in hospital work, in private practice, among the helpless too poor to purchase relief and has proved so successful in every case that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of this paper who have not already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root and how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Birmingham, N. Y. The regular fifty cent and dollar sizes are sold by all good druggists.

Will Guernsey, piano tuner, will be in town on the 26th, and remain a few days. Leave orders at this office.

The exclamation of one and all who see our line of lamps, is "Oh what a nice line of lamps you have got!" Yes, and the prices are right, at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

The last statement of the Bloomsburg National Bank shows a line of deposits of nearly \$109,000. This is wonderful progress for an institution whose doors were first opened last August.

Quite a little interest has been aroused in the different fire companies of town over the election of the Chief of the department and his assistants. The election will be held next Monday night.

J. E. Roys will engrave free, any article bought at his store. He does not scratch it on with a machine, but does only hand engraving. Artistic engraving greatly enhance the value and beauty of an article.

Commencing Sunday next the evening north bound train on the D. L. & W. Railroad will leave Bloomsburg at 9:32 instead of 6:39, and the evening train going south will leave at 8:37 instead of 8:07.

N. Malfaira has a nice lot of fresh fruits, now kept inside the store on account of cold weather, clear toys, home made, 15 cents a pound or two pounds for 25 cents. Large stock of candy from 5 cents to 30 cents a box. Exchange block.

Public opinion has already expressed itself that our stock of diamonds, watches, clocks, cut glass and jewelry, is the grandest to be found hereabouts. Myriads of handsome things to attract your attention. The whole store is aglow with holiday beauty. Xmas goods bought now will be held for you until wanted. J. E. Roys

It is due Saturday afternoon and night, December 16th, '99. Col. Thomas Robinson's towering triumphant megatherian scenic and comedic jubilee, "Old Southern Life." 35 people participate. High class operatic orchestra. Monster Holiday parade at noon time. Matinee prices: Children 15 cents; Adults 25 cents. Night, special prices: 15, 25 and 35 cents.

The cow kicked the bucket over and spilled the milk, and if you do not get the *Farm Journal* for the balance of 1899 and all of 1900, 1901, 1902 and 1903, over four years, just by paying up what you owe us for the COLUMBIAN and a year ahead, you will be like that cow. The *Farm Journal* is the biggest paper of its size in the United States of America.

Mrs. Thomas Wilson of Millville fell down a flight of steps at her home last Thursday sustaining injuries from which she died a few hours later, without regaining consciousness. Her fall is supposed to have resulted from a stroke of apoplexy, with which she was taken when near the steps. The deceased was formerly a Miss Eves, daughter of John K. and Sarah W. Eves, and was sixty-seven years of age.

Orangevillians turned out in large numbers to witness the presentation of "Millie the Quadroon," by home talent in the Academy of that town Saturday night. The seating capacity of the building was taxed to its utmost. The piece which was on the comedy order was acted in a way that showed vivacity and capability. Especially well taken were the characters of Gyp, a slave, by Miss Lillie Kisner and Priscilla, an old maid, by Miss Ida Laubauch. A great deal of time and patience were required in its preparation, but their efforts were rewarded by the large patronage.

Amos S. Wagner, an architect, died at an early hour Monday morning, at his home on Maynard street, Williamsport, aged fifty nine years. Among the many buildings designed by Mr Wagner were the court houses at Emporium, Bloomsburg and Orlando, Fla., the State Normal School, at Lock Haven, the High School building in Williamsport, and the following church edifices: Trinity Episcopal, Annunciation, St. Boniface, and St. Paul's Lutheran, of Williamsport and St. Joseph's, at Renovo. Mr. Wagner was an unsuccessful candidate for Register and Recorder on the Republican ticket at the November election.—Mr. Wagner also drew the plans for the Parish House of the Episcopal church, this town.

For Sale!

A lot of 23 acres, with house and barn, 8 acres of timber, good water, fruit, etc., located in Hemlock township, 3 miles west of Buck Horn. Terms reasonable. Address, B. F. Brobst, Buck Horn, Pa. 11-30 4t

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CHRISTMAS,

Without a Present is Like a Kiss Without a Squeeze.

The above comparison is not strictly in accord with business dignity, but its pat.

"A little fun now and then is relished by the best of men"—by women, too. Little prices attached to worthiness, at Xmas time, are unusual, but relished by the richest as well as the poorest. We satisfy little price appetites.

Seasonable, sensible, serviceable gifts, abound in abundance. "Lookers" are proving to be buyers, and those who expect the most choice of our large collection, cannot afford delay. We store goods free until you want them.

See Our 4 1/2c. Xmas Table.

Loaded with all that's useful, all that's beautiful, all that's better than most places for the same money. Soaps, writing paper, ink, picture frames, match safes, scrap books, dozens and dozens more.

9 TO 10 A. M. ONLY FREE.

To every child accompanied by a grown person, a Colored Border Handkerchief.

Xmas China, everything you can think of, and more, too. 10c. to \$3.75.

9 TO 10 A. M. ONLY FREE.

All the boys and girls, with their Pa or Ma, or any other grown person, will get a neat Colored Border Handkerchief FREE.

Merry making has set in at Hartman's, in all that the word implies. Good boys and girls by the hundred, bad boys and girls by the dozen, surround Hartman's and shout with glee.

See Our 9 1/2c. Xmas Table.

Instead of 10c. to 20c., you will buy it from this table at 9 1/2c. Xmas money is just as good to save as everyday trading money. We're naming saving prices on all goods. See this 9 1/2c. glassware, 9 1/2c. China, 9 1/2c. frames and easels, and more, more, more.

See Our 23c. Xmas Table.

Opaque ware, in the newest creations, not 30c. to 39c., but 23c. Ink stands, of white metal, the equal you've seen sold at 40c. to 50c., now on this table at 23c. Large China and glass dishes, crockery—store price, 35c. to 50c.—here only 23c. Well, we can't tell you half. Come and see.

9 TO 10 A. M. ONLY

Children who bring some grown person to our store, will get a Cot'n Handkerchief FREE.

Not the grown person, but the boy or girl.

Xmas Collarettes and Boas, 39c. to \$15.00.

9 TO 10 A. M. ONLY FREE. Every boy or girl, who brings their mother or father with them, will get a Handkerchief FREE.

Xmas Dressing Sacques, above the common grade, in cloth and in fit, 69c. to \$2.50.

9 TO 10 A. M. ONLY Children's Colored Border Handkerchief FREE.

To every child accompanied by a grown person.

9 TO 10 A. M. ONLY Bring your children and get a Colored Border Handkerchief for each one of them, FREE.

Xmas Notions, of all nameable and useable sorts, from Pompadour Combs at 10c., to Beaded Belts at \$1.50.

Customers will receive more prompt service at our store in the morning-forenoon. Try it. We are often rushed in afternoon.

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Bloomsburg, Pa.

Have you seen our Holiday Display? If not, why not?

Cart loads of perfumery, in 35 different odors, at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

The South Norfolk, Conn., *Evening Sentinel* of November 24, contains an account of a brilliant home wedding, in which the contracting parties were Miss Anna Brockway and Mr. Clinton F. Baker. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's brother-in-law, Prof. Ira S. Brown. The bride is a sister of Mrs. Kashner, of Catharine Street, this town. She has the good wishes of a host of friends here.

Is Baby Too Thin?

If so, there must be some trouble with its food. Well babies are plump; only the sick are thin. Are you sure the food is all right? Children can't help but grow; they must grow if their food nourishes them. Perhaps a mistake was made in the past and as a result the digestion is weakened. If that is so, don't give the baby a lot of medicine; just use your every-day common sense and help nature a little, and the way to do it is to add half a teaspoonful of

SCOTT'S EMULSION

to the baby's food three or four times a day. The gain will begin the very first day you give it. It seems to correct the digestion and gets the baby started right again. If the baby is nursing but does not thrive, then the mother should take the emulsion. It will have a good effect both upon the mother and child. Twenty-five years proves this fact.

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Calendars for 1900 may be obtained at this office by our subscribers and patrons. We cannot undertake to distribute them generally as it would require too many. We have plenty for all our patrons. Those who have paid in advance will receive them by mail. Others must call for them. 3t

Fine Holiday Groceries.

L. T. Sharpless Co. has a fine line of seasonal goods. Their stock embraces, cranberries, oranges, lemons grapes, dried fruits, canned soups, canned vegetables, canned meats, cheese of various kinds, fancy cakes and crackers, fine syrups, nuts, sweet potatoes, olives, pickles, ham, bacon, flour, fine teas and coffees, and a thousand other good things to eat, and for household use. Prices right. Goods delivered. 317

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RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts..	\$196,876.84
United States bonds..	50,000.00
Columbia County and Bloomsburg bonds..	64,400.00
Other bonds and securities	158,539.39
Banking House	31,830.30
Due from Banks (not reserve)	12,374.03
Cash and reserve	65,322.49
	\$579,343.05

LIABILITIES.

Capital and surplus ..	\$162,500.00
Undivided profits	8,191.30
Nat'l Bank circulation ..	45,000.00
Due Banks	5,942.39
Deposits	357,709.36
	\$579,343.05

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what we sell might be called. By that we mean that the same brand of tea ware, wafers, etc., those stamped—guaranteed—and knives, forks, spoons, etc., stamped "1847 Rogers Bros." have been made for over half a century—an ordinary life time—and many of the early productions are still in use. This proves that their reputation for long wear is indisputable and well deserved. No other brands so long before the public, and none so well and favorably known. None better in style, workmanship, or brilliancy of finish.

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TOOTH-SOME CANDY. Perfectly pure and nourishing, our candy can be eaten by any one without danger of upsetting the stomach or injuring the system.

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