

Did you ever See a Snow Storm in Summer?

We never did; but we have seen the clothing at this time of the year so covered with dandruff that it looked as if it had been out in a regular snow-storm.
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THE COLUMBIAN, BLOOMSBURG, PA.

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PURELY PERSONAL

F. E. Carpenter and wife went to Philadelphia on Saturday.
Harry Little is home from Bucknell University for the holidays.
John Kenyon left on Monday for a few days sojourn in Center County.
C. G. Barkley, Esq., transacted legal business at Mauch Chunk last week.
Miss Ella Lemonis is assisting E. M. Sawtice, the confectioner, this week.
Miss Edith Miller is assisting at Biddleman's Book Store during the holidays.
Thomas Gortey, Jr., has accepted the management of Dr. Blakislee's Danville Drug Store.
Mrs. Samuel Wigfall has gone to Philadelphia, where she will remain over the holidays.
Miss Edna Wilson, on Saturday returned from Philadelphia where she had been visiting friends.
Mrs. Lawrence Pflager of Jamison City, was the guest of Mrs. H. C. Jones, in town on Monday.
Editor W. H. Smith, of the Benton "Argus," gave our office a brief, but pleasant call, on Friday.
Barton Biesel is spending his vacation in town. He is a student at Wyoming Seminary, Kingston.
George W. Whitmire of Buchhorn, while in town on Monday, gave our office a pleasant business call.
Warren Edgar and wife of Stillwater spent Sunday in town, as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George B. Hunt.
Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Kehlner have returned from a visit to their son, Charles E. Kehlner in Philadelphia.
Dr. W. H. Purman returned home, on Tuesday evening, from New York City, after an absence of several days.
Harry Keller, a student at Lafayette College, is spending a two week's vacation with his parents on Market street.
Donald Snyder and two children, Hilda and Gehard W., spent Sunday with the former's parents at the Exchange Hotel.
Mrs. William Leyerett of Philadelphia, arrived in town yesterday and will spend a week with her sister, Mrs. Geo. E. Elwell.
Miss Geraldine Conner, a popular young lady of Orangeville, was the guest of the Misses Carpenter on Fifth Street, on Friday.
The Misses Mary and Martha Clark, of Market Street, returned home on Saturday on an extended visit with Harrisburg relatives.
Miss Mame Weaver will leave today for Marion, Ohio, where she will make an extended visit with her aunt, Mr. Dr. R. C. M. Lewis.
Miss Grace Clossen of Berwick, has been assisting at the Local Telephone Exchange the past week, during the illness of Miss Margaret Laubach.
Rev. E. S. Bateman has been chosen pastor of the Calvary Lutheran church, Philadelphia. He is a son-in-law of our townsman, I. W. Hartman.
Dr. O. H. Yetter left on Monday for Sandor, where he will have charge of the Misses of the Teachers' Institute for Northumberland County this week.
Elmer L. Kitchen, of Kohrsburg, son of County Commissioner, Nehemiah Kitchen, left Monday for Norristown, to attend school. His father accompanied him, and will be here a few days in Philadelphia.
Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Moyer of Market Street, returned home from Philadelphia, Saturday afternoon. Their daughter, Miss Martha, who is attending school at the National Park Seminary, Forest Glen, Md., accompanied them home for her holiday vacation.

Dicken's double vest chains for \$2.35 at J. E. Roys'. Guaranteed to give satisfaction.
Jonas H. Hughes of Lime Ridge, has been granted an increase of pension from \$6 to \$8 per month.
Bibles, either large or small. Prices, from 30c. to \$7.00, at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.
"Old Southern Life," drew a good house Saturday night last. The entertainment pleased many of the attendants.
"Look before you leap." "Be sure you get Hood's Sarsaparilla when you call for it, and you will find health in its use."
About one hundred and fifty people accompanied the Normal School Students excursion to Washington, D. C. on Monday.
If you want a nice calendar, Christmas card, booklet, or books of any kind, go to Mercer's Drug and Book Store.
Ask to see the new style of visiting card at this office. Can't be told from an engraved card, and costs less than half as much. tf
Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Little have moved from Scott township to this town, and are occupying a suite of rooms in the Phillips building on Main street.
Charles W. Stewart and Miss Sarah J. Burget were married by R. H. Ringler, Esq., on Monday. They are residents of Northumberland.
Mrs. George Lockard wishes in this wise to thank the friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted during her recent affliction, the death of her husband.
W. H. Henrie and John C. Rutter, Jr., have received their commissions for Prothonotary and Register and Recorder respectively, and the same have been recorded.
Sample copies of the COLUMBIAN, the Farm Journal, and the New York Thrice-a-Week World, are distributed in Bloomsburg this week. Read our club offer and become a subscriber.
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.
One of our Danville exchanges is of the opinion that it is poor business to tell a boy that "riches or the presidency may be made his." It continues: "Poor ideals those. The boy runs a good chance for prison who bends all his aims for either of them."
The marriage of Miss Ivy Joice, the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Callenburger, of Milton, and William E. McMichael, of Berwick, will occur at the Evangelical church, Milton, to-day. The many friends of the groom hereabouts extend felicitations.
D. L. Chapin's store, warehouse and barn, at New Columbus, were destroyed by fire Friday night. Cause, unknown. The store and warehouse were unoccupied, but the barn contained some live stock and grain. One horse perished in the flames. The property was partially insured.
The supreme court has decided that the shade trees in front of a man's residence belong to him although they be located on public property. The case in which the decision was rendered was one in which the property owner sued a telephone company for cutting off the limbs of his trees. The decision is of interest to all property holders.
An indiscriminate proclivity to run his household to suit himself, led a resident of near Port Noble to attempt assault, Sunday evening. With rage in his heart and a stove shovel in his hand, he chased his paramour across one of the streets near by threatening to whip her. She would not stand still long enough to be whipped and no harm was done.
Solid silver thimbles at J. E. Roys' for 25c. Engraved free.
The telephone and telegraph syndicate recently organized in Philadelphia and New York has bought the Phoenix Telephone company, of Altoona, which owns a competing line with the Bell company, operated all over that section. The price paid was nearly \$300,000, a handsome increase over the par valuation. The Central Commercial company connects with the Phoenix, near Tyrone.

Fountain Pens at J. E. Roys engraved free.
Will Guernsey, piano tuner, will be in town on the 26th, and remain a few days. Leave orders at this office.
The Jury Commissioners are at work this week selecting names with which to fill the jury wheel for 1900.
J. E. Roys has the largest stock of plated and Sterling Napkin Rings, 25 cents up. Engraved without extra charge.
The Calvary basket ball team of Wilkesbarre, went down before the Normalites in the Gymnasium last Friday night by the score of 18 to 3.
At a recent meeting of the Centralia Borough School Board, it was decided to open night school, if the enrollment of scholars will warrant it.
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.
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.
Clergymen are reminded that the present law requires them to publish marriages in at least one newspaper. Failing to comply with the requirement got several ministers in serious trouble in the central part of the State recently.
One of the large show windows of Townsend's Star Clothing House contains a unique attraction. There is a fish pond with live fish; in the circle a fountain is playing and at night the fountain is illuminated with different colors of alternating electric lights. Trailing vines and plants add to the beauty of the window. The other window is filled with many pretty thing for the Christmas trade.
Next Sunday being Christmas Sunday, the Philadelphia Inquirer will be specially enlarged by the addition of a handsome Boys' and Girls' Christmas Book of 32 pages, printed in beautiful half tones and colors. This will be attractively bound and stitched in the same shape as the Inquirer Cook Book, which was issued a short time ago. Two other special color sections will be issued and no effort has been spared to make this number of the Sunday Inquirer unequalled in every respect.
Those who have their lines out to hook a census-taking position will find that it is one of the poorest political jobs afloat, if they manage to land it. It is but little better than carrying country mails. Enumerators are only paid \$2.50 for every 100 names turned in, and taking into consideration that they must ask a long list of questions for every name put down and make out three copies of their report it may be estimated that the compensation for the work is small, in no instance aggregating \$125.
The Farm Journal gives no chromos, puffs no swindles, inserts no humbug advertisements, and does not devote one-half its space to telling how good the other half is. It is published monthly and circulates from Maine to Oregon, and from North Dakota to Texas. Every home in Columbia county would have more sunshine and happiness in it did Farm Journal go there regularly. We are prepared to send it for five years, from this time up to December, 1904, to every subscriber who pays up his subscription for the COLUMBIAN a year in advance, and to all new advance paying subscribers.
The election for officers of the Bloomsburg Fire Department for the ensuing year was held in the Council Chamber of the Town Hall, from six to eight o'clock Monday evening. The election board consisted of Mayor Holmes and one member from each company. The new officers are as follows: Chief, William May, of the Rescue; First Assistant William Coffman, of the Winona; Second Assistant, Arthur Smith, of the Good Will; Third Assistant, George Cavayne, of the Friendship. There were no contests with the exception of First Assistant. Paul Harman was the regularly nominated candidate for that position. The Friendship Company nominated William Coffman, and his nomination was endorsed by the Good Wills. The vote was, Coffman 42, Harman 27. The chief next year will be selected from the Winona Company.

Solid silver single teaspoons for 85c. and up at J. E. Roys'. Engraved free.
Our congratulations are tendered our townsman F. H. Wilson, and wife, over the arrival of a young son Monday morning.
A collision of trains at Nescopeck on Thursday, resulted in a caboose being crushed to splinters. No casualties occurred.
The recent establishment of a dancing school in Berwick has considerably aroused the more sedate residents and they want the past-time stopped.
Private George E. Deppen, of Company K., Sunbury, has been appointed by Colonel Clement to be regimental quartermaster-sergeant of the Twelfth regiment, N.G.P.
There was a large attendance of relatives and friends at the funeral of the late George M. Lockard, which occurred Saturday afternoon. Rev. B. C. Conner conducted the services.
The almost total eclipse of the moon, which occurred Saturday was watched by many people. Not a cloud appeared in the sky to mar the view, and the sight was a very pretty one.
An Indiana farmer has stolen a march on nature by grafting a tomato upon a potato vine. He thus raises a crop above and below ground at the same time. The American Agriculturist says that both vegetables were of good quality.
Dr. G. H. Welliver has in course of erection a barn 32x90, near the Tube Works, which he will use, when completed, to stable his horses from the time they arrive here until the sale days. The Dr. is one of the most extensive dealers in western horses in this section.
The condition of the wheat fields in the county the farmers say never was better. The Hessian fly made its appearance in some fields, but too late in the season to do much harm. With a favorable winter and spring a great crop is assured next year.
A new lot of leases just printed at this office. They contain clauses providing for payment of water rent by tenant; waiving benefit of exemption; that rent may be collected for the whole term if tenant attempts to remove goods without paying rent due, etc. 3 cents each, or 25 cents a dozen.
The dance to be held tomorrow night in the Town Hall under the auspices of the Rescue Fire Company, promises to be a very enjoyable affair. The Fourth warders have labored industriously for the success of the project and it is quite certain that they will be rewarded by a large attendance.
Member of the Board of Poor Directors of Bloom Poor District Isaiah Hagenbuch, was last Friday requested by letter from the Danville Poor Directors, to remove W. Mitchell and family, a wife and three children. They are a charge on that district, and the Danville Poor Officials claim that they belong in Bloomsburg.
Eli J. Ohl, was kicked by a horse at his home in Hemlock township one evening last week. He was unconscious for several hours. Medical aid was sent for and he was made to rest as easy as possible. We have since learned from the physician in attendance that Mr. Ohl's condition is very much improved.
Five prisoners of the jail, incarcerated on various charges, were placed at work filling in the approach to the River bridge last week. The men performed the work in a way that convinced the County Commissioners, who had gone to inspect the job that they were perfectly familiar with that kind of labor.
R. S. Bowman has been appointed post master at Berwick, and will take charge of the office on January 1st. It is by no means a new position for Mr. Bowman he having served two terms before. L. J. Townsend, who has been post master for the past three years, has accepted an official position with the American Car and Foundry Company.
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 & Fleckenstein.
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Proctor Inn, well furnished, from Feb. 1st 1900. Rent cheap. Apply to G. E. Elwell or A. L. Fritz, Bloomsburg, Pa.

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50c Cups and Saucers " 35c
25c Cups and Saucers " 19c
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4 50 Photo Albums... " 2 50
2 50 Photo Albums... " 1 50
1 00 China Dishes.... " 69c
1 25 China Dishes... " 75c
75c Metal Framed Mirrors.....reduced to 39c
1 49 Large Framed Pictures..... " 75c
75c Smaller Framed Pictures..... " 39c
IMITATION IRISH POINT.
1 25 Bureau Covers... " 69c
75c Bureau Covers... " 55c
1 25 Table Covers... " 79c
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Rev. M. E. McLinn will address the Men's Meeting at the Y. M. C. A. Hall next Sunday afternoon. The service commences promptly at 2:30. All men are invited to be present.
If one were to judge from the moderate temperature which has prevailed since December has been with us, we would imagine it to be nearer Easter than Christmas. Everything has changed, even the weather as well as many other features which were characteristic of an old fashioned Christmas time. Surely times have put on a different air since the days of our grandsires.
The Wilkesbarre board of trade has taken up the cudgel against fake advertising, and truthfully says: "The only kind of advertising which pays, is that of the newspaper, and if merchants would combine for the purpose of refusing patronage to programmes, it would be money saved for the merchants, and just so much more to devote in the legitimate channels of trade."
The remains of Oscar Conner were consigned to the grave in the Benton Cemetery, on Tuesday. His death occurred from heart disease at his home above Benton two days previous. He was a respected resident of the upper end, was a veteran of the Civil war, and had his life been spared a few more months his age would have reached the allotted three score and ten. A wife and ten children, six daughters and four sons are left to mourn his death.
There are conflicting opinions regarding the question—"When does the twentieth century really begin?" The definition that a century consists of 100 full years should make the question plain and place the date January 1st, 1901, instead of 1900, as many hold the date to be. As there are 100 full years in a century, it is evident that to complete the first century 100 years must have passed, to complete the second 200 years and so on up. To complete the nineteenth century 1900 years must have passed which would be December 31st at midnight, and the next date must be January 1, 1901. Several college presidents contend that we enter upon the 20th century January 1st, 1900.

WANTED—SEVERAL PERSONS FOR District Office Managers in this State to represent me in their own and surrounding counties. Willing to pay yearly \$600, payable weekly. Desirable employment with unusual opportunities. References exchanged. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. S. A. Park, 320 Caxton Building, Chicago. 12-21,16t
Boyd Shaffer was arraigned before "Squire Jacoby on Monday, on a warrant sworn out by Harry Mitchell of Berwick. According to Mitchell's story, he in company with a young lady, were walking on Fifth street Sunday evening, when they were accosted by Shaffer, who, without any provocation whatever, struck him, breaking his hand. Boyd denies the charge and says that there were no blows struck at all. He gave bail in the sum of \$500 for his appearance at the February term of court.

A collision between Tooley & Company's delivery wagon and that of W. W. Watts, occurred at the corner of Third and Center streets Monday evening, about six o'clock. The electric lights were out at the time, and the darkness made it impossible for either driver to see any distance ahead. Tooley's wagon was upset, and its contents consisting of tied up packages of groceries and provisions were strewn along the street. The shafts were also broken. The horse tore loose from the vehicle, and ran up Center to Main street where it was caught by Max Gross. The other wagon was not damaged to any extent.
Murders in Pennsylvania.
Never in Pennsylvania's history has there been so many men under sentence of death as there are at the present time, and this fact makes it probable that the coming year will be the banner one from an execution standpoint, in the nineteenth century. Governor Stone, has now, in his possession papers indicating the conviction of fourteen murderers, the date for whose hanging it is his duty to name.
Fine Holiday Groceries.
L. T. Sharpless Co. has a fine line of seasonable 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
Gilmore's Toy Bazaars.
Gilmore has made a new department this year in the toy business and has opened a branch store on Market Square. Both stores are full of all kinds of things to please the children at Christmas time. To enumerate them would fill a column. Call at the other store if you can't find what you want in the first one you visit. Miss May Gilmore has charge of the Market Square store. 31

The Eminent Kidney and Bladder Specialist.



The Discoverer of Swamp-Root at Work in His Laboratory.
There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs, or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell. Then the richness of the blood—the albumen—leaks out and the sufferer has Bright's Disease, the worst form of kidney trouble.
Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the new discovery is the true specific for kidney, bladder and urinary troubles. It has cured thousands of apparently hopeless cases, after all other efforts have failed. At druggists in fifty-cent and dollar sizes. A sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling about Swamp-Root and its wonderful cures. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., and mention this paper.

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
For Sale.
A good double cylinder 2 1/2 horse power engine. Inquire at this office. 10-26 1t