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## DEATH OF OLINTON HERRING.

Succumbed to an attack of Apoplexy.—Was Born and Raised at Orangeville.

Tuesday's Wilkes Barre Record, contained the following account of the death of a former Columbia Countian. Mr Herring was a brother of G. A. Herring, and a brother-in-law of Chief-of-Police Wesley Knorr, of this town. The Record says:

"Monday evening at 8:30 o'clock occurred the death of Clinton D. Herring, foreman of carpenters for the Lehigh & Wilkes-Barre Coal Co., one of the city's best known residents.

Mr. Herring was at Ashley on Sunday superintending the repairs to some of the houses damaged by the wreck of a few days ago, when he was suddenly taken ill. He was removed to his home, 241 South Canal street, this city, and his ailment was diagnosed as apoplexy. He remained in an unconscious condition much of the time and passed peacefully away.

Mr. Herring was born at Orangeville, Columbia County, and was 70 years of age. He received his education in the old Bloomsburg Academy, before the State Normal School was established, and followed the occupation of a carpenter at Orangeville until he was about 30 years of age. From that place he moved to Centreville, Columbia County, and became superintendent of the North Branch Canal. In this position he was quite successful and he retained it until the year 1864, when he entered the employ of Lehigh & Wilkes-Barre Coal Co. as superintendent of house repairs, removing to Wilkes-Barre. This office later was changed to that of chief carpenter.

Deceased's grandfather, John Herring, was a native of Germany and was one of the pioneers of Columbia County. Deceased's father in early life was a farmer, later entering the employ of the Pennsylvania Canal Co. and serving as master carpenter for eighteen years.

Mr. Herring is survived by his wife, who is a daughter of the late Henry D. Knorr of Col. Co., of German descent. He also leaves six children: W. H. Herring, general outside superintendent of the coal department of the Lehigh & Wilkes-Barre Coal Co.; S. B. Herring, roadmaster for Newport and Wilkes-Barre twp., under the auspices of the coal company; A. M. Herring, foreman under his father; E. M. Herring, general manager of the Dausche Acme Duplicate Co. of New York City; Mrs. Emma French, of Pittsburg, and Mrs. John Hope of Wilkes-Barre. Deceased is also survived by the following brothers and sisters: Calvin Herring of Wilkes-Barre, Alexander Herring, of Orangeville, Columbia County; Mrs. John Newhart, of Wilkes-Barre.

Mr. Herring was for about forty years in the employ of the Lehigh & Wilkes-Barre Coal Co., and during that time became popular with officials and employes. He was wholesome and genial and his friends are numbered by the score. His illness and death were so sudden that scarcely any of his friends knew that he had been stricken and the announcement of his passing away will create much surprise.

## Passing Away.

Again we are called upon to chronicle what we consider to be a very sad death. Of course, we are all children of the same mother, and the same fate awaits us all. But just why one so young, whose life was unfolding into womanhood, as was the case with Miss Zaney Catharine, daughter of Joseph and Mrs. Zeigler, who passed away at her home in Lightstreet Thursday afternoon last, at the age of thirteen years, must be taken away we cannot see. She was a sweet dispositioned child and greatly admired. The heartfelt sympathy of the whole community goes out to the bereaved parents, but after all, how idle is human consolation. God alone can assuage their grief.

The funeral was conducted at the house Saturday afternoon and interment in the Lightstreet cemetery.

## Columbia-Shamrock International Yacht Race.

This is a thrilling picture and shows the two boats furiously plowing the water, the Columbia is slightly in the lead and constantly gaining on her adversary, and as they tack against the wind both are seen to advantage and make an exciting spectacle. This is only one of the fifty pictures shown by the Lyman H. Howe Moving Picture Company, in the Opera House to-night.

## REPUBLICAN CAUCUS.

W. O. Holmes, Re-nominated for President.—The Present Councilmen are Also Chosen.

The Republicans of Bloomsburg, held their caucus in the Town Hall Monday evening. The absence of even a sign of a contest of any kind, made the meeting uninteresting and as a result, it was a very tame affair. The whole performance only required about twenty-five minutes, and everybody appeared to be glad when it adjourned. H. A. McKillip, County Chairman, called the meeting to order. Samuel H. Harman was made chairman, and Prof. G. E. Wilbur and Eugene F. Carpenter, secretaries.

The first nomination was that of President of Council, W. O. Holmes, the present incumbent was named without any opposition.

The present republican members of the Council were all renominated. They are W. L. Demaree, J. S. Blue and Theodore Smith.

Other nominations made were: School director, W. E. Rinker; Justice of the Peace, J. R. Schuyler, and tax collector, L. D. Kase.

This ended the business of the caucus proper, after which the wards were assigned to various corners of the room and made the following selections:

### FIRST WARD.

Judge—C. P. Sloan.  
Inspector—Wm. C. Shaw.  
Registry Assessor—C. W. Brown.

### SECOND WARD.

Judge—T. E. Sands.  
Inspector—C. L. Hendershott.  
Registry Assessor—Robert Morris.

### THIRD WARD.

Judge—Wm. Webb.  
Inspector—G. T. Crist.  
Registry Assessor—T. E. Geddis.

### FOURTH WARD.

Judge—J. E. Heacock.  
Inspector—Clark Kashner.  
Registry Assessor—W. Shugar.

The President and Secretary were authorized to fill any vacancy which might occur before the election.

## Meeting of Stockholders.

The stockholders of the Bloomsburg Silk Mill held their annual meeting Tuesday afternoon, at which time the report of Joseph Ratti, treasurer and general manager, was submitted. It was most gratifying, and showed the plant to be in a very flourishing condition. This is one of our town's leading industries, and its success is an illustration of how ability and energy, coupled with a complete knowledge of the business, will prosper. There is now on the pay-roll about five hundred hands, and a third enlargement of the plant, which may be necessary before long, will augment that force by several hundred.

A dividend of ten per cent. was declared and ordered paid; and the following officers elected for the ensuing year: President, L. N. Moyer; directors, Joseph Ratti, John L. Moyer, C. C. Peacock, L. E. Waller, F. G. Yorks and George S. Robbins; treasurer and general manager, Joseph Ratti.

Stephen S. Brown, one of Williamsport's foremost citizens, died at his home in that city on Monday evening, in the sixty-third year of his age. He had been sick for several years with Bright's disease. In the middle of last week he took a heavy cold, which completely undermined his condition. Mr. Brown was a member of the lumber firm of Brown, Clark & Company, a director of the First National Bank, and was also identified with many other enterprises. He was a brother of Mrs. H. H. Grotz, of this town, who, with her husband, attended the funeral, which took place yesterday.

Franklin township has its excitement now. The Esther Furnace farm, along Roaringcreek, is said to be underlaid with a vein of valuable copper ore. The discovery has been made by Simon Shive, who owns the farm. Property owners in the vicinity of the find have already advanced the price of land, and it is doubtful if Franklin township's people were ever in a nappier frame of mind.

## Parish House Supper.

A good supper will be served in the Parish House this Thursday evening, from 5 o'clock to 7:30, price 15 cents. Ice cream and cake, 15 cents extra. The choir have the matter in charge, and the proceeds will be applied to church debts. Come and bring your friends.

## THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The attention of the citizens of Bloomsburg is again called to the matter of a Public Library.

Some time ago steps were taken to secure a nucleus for a library fund, the result of which, it will be remembered, was quite satisfactory.

By adding frequently to this fund, small though the amounts may seem, the time will come eventually when, with proper activity and attention, Bloomsburg will boast its Public Library—one of the greatest educators in any community, and one that all who have the welfare of the town and of the rising generation at heart, should aid whenever occasion is presented.

An opportunity will be afforded all sympathizers in this movement on Tuesday evening, Feb'y. 20th, when a unique and altogether delightful entertainment, entitled "The Procession of Flowers," will be given in the Opera House by Miss Mira Lloyd Dock of Harrisburg, Pa.

Miss Dock has given this lecture-illustrated by about 150 fine lantern slides—in a number of the cities with great success.

Liberal patronage is asked.

## An Abandoned Coal Property.

The Longenberger-Fisher-Miller coal tract, in Beaver township, known as the McAuley Mountain tract, which, for the past forty years, has been mined and worked at times by Simon P. Kase, Wm. Longenberger, Losee and W. H. Llewellyn, is now abandoned and the works dismantled. Mr. Llewellyn, the last operator, discontinued mining last fall, and sold all the iron about the breaker and other works to a junk dealer, and it is now, no doubt, worked into new material through some furnace. The buildings have nearly rotted down.

The underground workings have caved in through the robbing of the pillars left to support the roof, and the place has filled up with water. To re-open the place will be a very expensive undertaking, and while there is some coal there, and maybe, an abundance of it, it will probably remain there until a shortened supply and increased price will justify the expenditure necessary to put it upon the market.

For over a quarter of a century the property has been a bone of contention one way or another, in the courts, and it is safe to say that the Luzerne county lawyers have made more out of it than either operator or heirs ever did. The Columbia county heirs are Mrs. Martha John and Mrs. Elizabeth Keiter, of Catawissa, and Mrs. David Shuman, of Main township.

The McAlarneys, of Plymouth, who own a controlling interest, have placed a man on the tract to keep possession, paying him \$1.00 per day, house rent free, and the privilege of screening and selling all the coal he can from the old culm banks.—Catawissa News-Item.

## Train Kills a Mule.

While crossing the track of the Bloomsburg & Sullivan Railroad, at the Red Rock bridge Monday evening, the south bound passenger train came thundering around the curve, unobserved by Ellis Summers, and before he reached the opposite side the engine struck one of his mules, injuring it to such an extent that killing was necessary to relieve the animal's suffering. The crossing has always been considered a very dangerous one and it is passing strange that it is allowed to remain in such an unsafe condition. There isn't even as much as a sign to warn the unwary. Mr. Summers escaped without any injury.

## Arrested For Theft.

Constable Miles Betz went to Danville on Friday and arrested Lizzie Smith on the charge of stealing some money from a drawer in a house where she was engaged as a domestic in Bloomsburg, before she went to Danville. The offender was brought to this town and given a hearing Friday afternoon. She expressed her penitence, and on the promise to refund the stolen money and pay the costs, she was allowed to go. It might have all been affectation, but she appeared to be sorry for what she had done. She is only another of the many young girls who have been sent adrift in the world ill-advised.

## School Children.

In Columbia County there are 11,457 school children between the ages of 6 and 21 years. Of these 8663 are between 6 and 16 years.

Malanthan Broadt, an employe of the Bloomsburg car shops, was hit in the stomach by a huge piece of iron on Friday and injured to such an extent that his life is despaired of.

"Please, Mr. Conductor, Don't Put Me Off the Train," is the title of the latest sentimental song. It will be sung and illustrated at the Winona Fire Company's benefit, "Tony, the Convict," next Thursday and Friday nights.

The Salvation Army yesterday changed its quarters, from the room below Market street, to Evans' Hall, corner Main and Iron streets. The meetings are being largely attended, and it was to get more room that the change was made.

A man, who, judging from his looks, is about forty-five years of age, has been trying to swindle people in town out of money. He claims to be the agent of several sewing machine companies, and has been sent out to repair machines. He is a fake, and the less people have to do with him, the better they are off.

Stephen Hutton died at his home in Orangeville on Wednesday last, after a long illness. His survivors are a wife and five children—five sons and one daughter. The deceased was one of Orange township's oldest residents, and consequently, was well known. The remains were interred in the cemetery at Orangeville.

Mr. Grant Drake and Miss Sarah Young were united in marriage by Rev. B. C. Conner, at the Methodist parsonage Tuesday afternoon. The groom is the proprietor of a carriage manufactory at Lightstreet, while the bride is a well known and popular resident of Orangeville. They will begin housekeeping at once in Lightstreet.

While eating his dinner, at his home in Almedia, on Monday, David Reimer swallowed a bone, about an inch in length. It lodged in his throat, and he was unable to move it. The unfortunate man had about given up hope, when Dr. Wolfe, of Espy, arrived and extricated the bone, though with considerable difficulty.

The Prohibitionists of Bloomsburg caucused on Saturday evening. But one nomination was made—that of Town Councilman. The candidate is Samuel A. Lutz. The present Prohibition representative on Council is F. B. Hartman.

Mr. Samuel A. Lutz, having been nominated for Councilman, on the Prohibition ticket, declined to be a candidate. The caucus was re-called last evening and nominated Fred. B. Hartman.

Scene Artist Gerring, who painted the new drop curtain for the Opera House, has gone to Sunbury, where he has been given the contract to paint several drops, and a major part of the requisite scenery for the new play house in course of construction at that place. Mrs. Gerring travels with her husband. During their stay in Bloomsburg they were guests at Mrs. M. M. Phillips', and every evening they entertained all who chanced to be in the parlor of the boarding house, in a very pleasant manner. Mr. Gerring is a skillful performer on the violin, while his consort plays the piano very nicely. They made a host of friends during their stay in our midst.

J. L. Dillon, the florist, has just issued his wholesale price list. It was twenty-five years ago that Mr. Dillon conceived the idea of erecting a greenhouse, and some idea of the wonderful growth of the business can be gained by the fact that he now has ninety acres of land, and ninety thousand feet of glass. He ships plants to nearly every state in the Union, while his cut flowers are eagerly sought by wholesale customers, hundreds of miles away. There is scarcely an express train leaving Bloomsburg that does not carry away some of his products. Mr. Dillon's success is only another example of what may be attained by intelligent push and enterprise. No one begrudges him his prosperity because they know he merits it and has won it fairly.

## Election Notices.

Constables can procure election notices for the spring election at this office. They will be sent by mail for twelve cents a dozen. Cash must accompany the order. Postage stamps will be accepted on mail orders.

## Our Stylish Trousers



It is surprising how few custom tailors are able to cut a pair of trousers that will fit and hang gracefully. There seems to be a knack in the cutting of these garments that few tailors ever acquire. We make a specialty of the Hart, Schaffner & Marx perfect-fitting trousers. Every pair guaranteed. This is the trade-mark:

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GUARANTEED CLOTHING.

We also have Sweet, Orr & Co.'s Newburg never rip goods. All heavy weights at a reduction.

## BEN. GIDDING, The White Front, BLOOMSBURG, PENNA.

Tomorrow is the last day to file certificates of nomination

Mrs. Guy Jacoby, who has been quite seriously ill at her home above First Street, for the past two weeks, is slowly recovering. Dr. Redeker is the attending physician.

Wellie Manning, who for the past several months has been employed as a machinist at the Novelty Works, resigned his position on Thursday, and on Monday left for Phillipsburg, where he will work in a large machine shop.

Mrs. Elizabeth Jackson of Berwick, last week presented Dickinson Seminary with \$500, to be devoted to a scholarship fund. Alexander E. Patton of Curwensville, also subscribed \$1000 to be devoted to the same purpose.

Mrs. Charles H. Reimard, aged thirty-five years, died after a short, but complicated illness, at her home on Fourth Street, early Sunday morning. Mrs. Reimard was admired by all who knew her. A husband, one son and one daughter survive. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon, Rev. Hemmingsway of the Presbyterian church officiating.

A certain young man of this town who thinks himself about five years ahead of the times, and who is continually defiling the air with unbecoming remarks, was given a quiet warning on Monday afternoon, just when he was emitting some of his characteristic vulgar expressions. The officer informed him that his next offense in this line would have to be paid for. The warning may do some good, but it's doubtful.

Francis R. Drake returned on Friday evening from Luzerne and Lycoming Counties with a big load of furs, consisting of bear, fox, otter and other valuable pelts. On Saturday he had them displayed in J. A. Hess' Restaurant window. Mr. Drake is in partnership with William Rush, and they will pay the highest cash price for furs of the above description. The above mentioned display was easily the finest as well as the largest seen here in a long while.

J. Monroe Lehman of Espy, on Saturday purchased of Josiah Smith of Dushore, a house and lot situated in Millifinville for \$1300.

Joseph H. Sands died at Bowling Green, Ohio, on Saturday evening, after a lingering illness, aged 48 years. He was a son of the late Joseph E. Sands of Mordansville, and a brother of Charles L. Henry H. William E. and Thos. E. Sands, all of this county. The deceased leaves a wife, but no children. He was a shrewd business man, and accumulated a comfortable fortune. He was born in this county, and went to Ohio while a young man. Charles L. Sands and his daughter, Mrs. Maude Johnson, left on Monday morning, to attend the funeral.

The cast of characters that has been selected by the Winona Fire Company to present Charles Townsend's five act drama, "Tony the Convict" in the Opera House Thursday and Friday evening of next week, is rehearsing every night and everybody who patronizes the boys will see a good performance, equal, if not superior to many of the professional troupes that come this way. The other fire companies of town have held dances or festivals to raise money, but this is the Winona's first appeal for assistance. They have always responded promptly to the alarm of fire, and we bespeak for them a good house. It is strictly home talent. Reserved seats 35c.

Members of American Union Council, Number 537, Jr. O. U. A. M. and their wives, and friends, to the number of about two hundred, enjoyed a very pleasant social and literary entertainment in the K. of M. Hall, corner of Main and Center Streets, Monday evening. Addresses were made by Rev. Mummy of Espy, Rev. Messenger, Dr. T. C. Harter and Rev. McLinn of Bloomsburg. Prof. Rubenstine was in attendance with his phonograph, and pleased everyone with some of the latest records. Wilbur Hower and James Goss, also displayed their ability as musicians, and they aroused the enthusiasm of their listeners to a high degree. About eleven o'clock refreshments were served, consisting of ham sandwiches, coffee and cake.