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SALES.

SATURDAY, JUNE 23d, 1900.—H. H. Grotz, executor of the estate of Ezekiel Cole, late of Sugarloaf Twp., deceased, will sell, at public sale, on the premises, a piece of land, situate in Benton Twp., containing 7 acres and 115 perches. Sale to commence at 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

SATURDAY, JUNE 30TH, 1900.—Sarah M. Snyder, executrix of Wm. H. Snyder, deceased, will sell, at public sale, a house and lot, situate on the corner of Fourth and Catharine streets, Bloomsburg. Sale to commence at 10 a. m.

Sheriff W. W. Black witnessed the execution of William Hummel, the quadruple murderer, at the Williamsport jail Tuesday. He said the condemned man walked firmly to the gallows, made a short speech, in which he expressed a hope of meeting his friends hereafter. He bade all good bye, the black cap was adjusted, the trap was sprung and fourteen minutes later he was pronounced dead. Contrary to expectations the body was not delivered to the Williamsport theatrical manager who had contracted with Hummel to exhibit it throughout the country. Prominent citizens of Williamsport had arranged for an indignation meeting if Manager Bubbs had insisted upon his claims for the body.

FROM EAST BENTON.

The corner stone of the new St. James Reformed church, at Van Camp, was laid last Sunday. This is a point in Rev. Houtz's charge. The occasion was witnessed by an immense throng of people. A collection was lifted which aggregated forty-five dollars. Rev. Dr. John D. Thomas, of Bloomsburg preached a very profound and most impressive sermon for the occasion. He pointed out that God reciprocates every effort of man in proportion that his efforts are in earnest determination in the advancement of God's Kingdom among men. The most selfish man is the one in any community who has never met with reverses, but has always continuously prospered. The efforts of the St. James people in the new church enterprise has thus far been a success.

We were visited by a copious rain storm last Saturday evening which refreshed vegetation. The rain did not reach over a mile south of us, and from that point to Jonestown it barely rained enough to lay the dust.

Considerable interest is manifested in the primaries regarding the various candidates, especially for those of representatives.

It has been a very dry season in our valley thus far, grass and grain being the principal sufferers. Corn and oats will fare better later on.

For Rent.

Two of the best rooms for offices in the town, second floor front COLUMBIAN building. Will be rented together or separately. Water, steam heat, electric light, and all modern conveniences. Terms low. Inquire of Geo. E. Elwell.

McKinley's Latest Portrait.

A Splendid Autograph Picture of the President Free to Everybody.

A short time ago President McKinley sat for a photograph, which he has pronounced the best ever secured. A copy of this portrait, in colors, with facsimile of the President's signature, on each picture, will be given free with every copy of the great "Philadelphia Sunday Press" next Sunday (June 10). It is a souvenir everyone is certain to prize, both because of its merit as a work of art and its timeliness, in view of the fact that McKinley is certain to be renominated at the National Convention week after next. The size of the picture is 14 by 20 inches, and every one will be perfect. The demand will be great; hence it will be well to order next Sunday's "Press" early.

Montour Democracy.

The Montour County Democratic Convention met at Danville on Monday and made the following nominations: For legislature, W. Kase West; for register and recorder, William L. Sidler; for jury commissioner, Charles M. Kinn; for sheriff, Michael Breckbill; for associate judge, F. G. Blee. J. D. Howery and Harry Billmeyer were chosen delegates to the State convention and L. F. Chestnut county chairman.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

"We, the representatives of the Democratic party of Montour county, in Convention assembled, believing the greatest good to the greatest number of our people can be secured only by the success of the Democratic principles, reaffirm our devotion and allegiance there to. We commend and endorse the wise leadership of our party in the State, which has so greatly increased our representation in the State legislature and congress and pledge to it our hearty support.

We endorse and commend the course of our present member of Congress, Hon. R. K. Polk, in his unswerving loyalty to the principles of Democracy, and his untiring and efficient service in the interests of his constituency.

The twelfth annual reunion of the Hess family will be held at Rupert Grove, Thursday, June 14. An excellent program has been prepared and will be rendered after the refreshments. All members of the family are invited to attend.

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A merchant who always advertises the truth will never be caught lying. There's a place where profit stops and swindle begins, in pricing and selling merchandise. A merchant is a fool who expects to rob the people in June, and see the same people come back in July to be re-robbed. The same dog seldom has an opportunity to bite the same person twice in the same spot.

Warm Weather Goods.

Another new lot of those fine Allover laces—just come. They are fine. They are beautiful. Almost every white waist, to be in style this season, must be trimmed with this material, or they'll not be in style for 1900. 45c yd to 75c per yd.

AT A SAVING PRICE.

Neckwear.

Have you seen our variety? Ladies' neckties, collars, stock-collars, etc. All the new creations, as soon as in the market. Come straight to our store. No better assortment in the large cities. You'd pay more there, too. **SERVICE AND SATISFACTION.**

59c Wrappers.

Good styles, well made, and they fit. They'll wear well, too.

Belts.

25c to \$1.00. Variety, style, quality and price. We lead in assortment, and our prices are as low, or lower, than less desirable displays.

IF WE HAVE IT, IT'S IN STYLE.

Pulley belts, 25c.
Belt buckles, 19c to 75c.
Pique dress goods, all colors, good width, yd, 15c.
Mosquito net, all colors, 5c.
Palm leaf fans, each, 1c.

QUALITY FIRST—PRICE, NEXT.

Val. Lace.

12c doz. ½ in. wide, some wider. Worth at least two times 12c doz. yds. One penny a yd, but by the dozen only. 12c for a whole dozen.

Wash Dress Skirts

Buy them early and get an entire season's wear out of them. If you buy them late, you get but half the season's service. 29c to \$3.50.

YOU NEVER PAY US TOO DEARLY.

Porch Cushions.

Made of straw, and made by the "Japs." Many people buy them by the dozen, on account of their cheapness and usefulness. 6c each.

IF YOU BUY IT HERE, IT'S GOOD.

Jap Parasols.

Made of Jap paper, and good for decorating only—covering that unsightly hole in the wall, left by taking out stove pipes, etc. Each, 5c.

I. W. HARTMAN & SON, Bloomsburg, Pa.

From Asylum to Grave.

Discharged From Asylum as Cured. Killed on His Way Home.

Theodore R. Staley, a prominent merchant of Pittston, fell off the Black Diamond express at Sugar Notch last Thursday afternoon and was instantly killed. He was discharged from Danville that morning, being pronounced cured of insanity, and went to Philadelphia on business. There he took the Black Diamond express, due in Wilkesbarre at 4:32, and soon after it left the mountain grade at Sugar Notch he fell from the rear of the train. No

one saw him fall.

The body was found soon afterward by some miners and the Coroner notified. Death had evidently been instantaneous and the man's neck was broken. He started in the jewelry business at Pittston in 1872, and about a year ago had serious business reverses, and his mind became affected. He was sent to Danville and steadily improved, until Thursday morning he was discharged.

Mrs. Staley was with her husband in the rear of the car shortly before the accident occurred. She says she went for a drink of water, leaving her husband on the observation platform,

and when she returned he was missing. She thought he had gone into the smoking car, but when the train reached Pittston, and he was not on it, she notified the conductor. Soon afterward she received a telegram from Wilkesbarre saying he had been killed.

Mr. Staley was a son of W. B. Staley who was a resident of Bloomsburg for many years. Theodore was born here. They moved to Pittston twenty years or more ago.

A new Pennsylvania Railroad passenger depot at Sunbury is a near future possibility.

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The New England Suburban Improvement Co. comes a stranger to the people of Bloomsburg, though well known in Easton, Nazareth, Bangor, Pen Argyl and Slatington. In these places every advertised promise has been faithfully kept. Here the same thing will be done in every particular.

The Land.

The tract of land which we will offer to the home-seekers of Bloomsburg, on Saturday, June 9, lies on West Sixth, Seventh and Eighth streets, within a few minutes' walk of the town's chief manufacturing industries. The above streets, and those intersecting, are now being graded and water mains laid.

The Sale.

The sale will be at Public Auction. Forty lots will be offered, and every lot offered will be sold without reserve or limit. In buying at auction you buy at your own prices. You and your neighbors fix the value of the land you are to own. The terms will be right. Note our smaller ads. and see.

The Presents.

In order to insure a large attendance we will give away to those who come—not to those who buy—100 valuable and useful presents. Every man, woman and child, is entitled to participate, without spending a cent. See them, and get tickets, at the Company's office, 4 doors west of postoffice.

Our Specials.

The presents, last mentioned, are not offered as any inducement to buyers, as a child has an equal chance with its father. To those who buy we have this to offer: To the first purchaser, a gold watch; to the first lady purchaser, a lady's watch. This we do to stimulate bidding.

40 BUILDING LOTS AT PUBLIC AUCTION,

SATURDAY, JUNE 9,

AT 1:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

Notes.

- You buy at public auction.
- The Presents are free—don't cost a cent.
- They are for all—not those who buy.
- In addition we give free to buyers:
- A gold watch to purchaser of first lot.
- A lady's watch to first lady purchaser.
- The easiest terms when necessary.
- Money advanced to any purchaser to build.

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