

A GOOD SHOWING.

The Rescue Hose and Ladder Co., of the Fourth ward, did itself credit Friday evening. By the untiring energy of its members the people of our town were permitted to witness the largest and most successful street demonstration in the history of the local fire department. There has already been a place street parades where there were more men in line, but never one in which the participants were all firemen. The leading feature of the pageant was the Dark-ton Brigade, or the Rescue's. So grotesque and variegated were the costumes, and so amusing their mannerisms and gestures, that they were received by tumultuous applause all along the line.

In response to invitations, the three other companies—Friendship, Winona and Good Will—turned out, and the showing was truly an auspicious one. The line of march was from the new hose house of the Rescue's, on East Fifth street, out Fifth to Market, up Market to Main, down Main to West, counter-march up Main to East, and down East to the place of beginning.

The chief object of the parade was to advertise and attract patronage to their festival, and in this they were eminently successful. So great was the crowd that a person could scarcely get through.

A platform had been erected in front of the hose house and here the Bloomsburg Band, under the leadership of Lambert McHenry, discoursed excellent music for nearly two hours, to the delight of the immense audience.

The festival was continued Saturday evening, and the crowd, while not so large as on the previous evening, because of inclement weather, was very gratifying, and the proceeds aggregated a neat sum, and will be a big lift toward liquidating the debt incurred in the erection of the hose house. The Rescue's are all right. So say we all.

A Miraculous Escape.

The 10:30 north bound train on the Delaware Lackawanna and Western Railroad, ran into and demolished the delivery wagon of L. T. Sharpless & Co. grocers, Tuesday forenoon. The wagon was in charge of Frank Wolverton, son of J. L. Wolverton, a member of the firm. He was at Rupert delivering goods. Little thinking that the train was due, and perfectly oblivious of any danger he drove over the railroad track. The horse and front wheels of the wagon were over when the train crashed into it. The vehicle was totally demolished, but fortunately, yet strange to relate, the driver and horse escaped unhurt. Notwithstanding the fact that the train was close at hand, the young man did not hear a sound of its approach.

Death of Mrs. J. L. Girton.

Mrs. J. L. Girton died at her home on Centre street Tuesday morning. Death occurred about eleven o'clock. Not more than half an hour previous to that time she complained of feeling unwell and retired to her room. Mr. Girton went up stairs at the mentioned time and found her dead. Her maiden name was Unger. She is survived by a husband and two adopted sons. The deceased was about fifty-five years of age. The funeral service will be conducted at the house to-morrow at ten o'clock, by Rev. D. N. Kirkby, of the Episcopal Church.

May Result in Death.

George Evans was fatally hurt at the Carpet Mill this morning, a little after seven o'clock. He was engaged in oiling the line shaft and had one of his arms through the pulley, when the machinery was suddenly started, throwing him to the floor. He was picked up and removed to his home on Park street, and medical aid summoned. It is feared that his neck is broken. He is married and has a family.

U. Ev. Church Service, Sept. 23.

Sunday school, at 9:15 a. m.; Preaching (subject, "Education"), at 10:30 a. m.; Junior K. L. C. E., at 2 p. m.; Senior K. L. C. E., at 6:30 p. m.; K. L. C. E. Rally, consisting of essays and addresses, at 7:30 p. m.; Preyer and Teachers' Meeting, on Wednesday evening, at 7:30. A cordial invitation to each of these services. Strangers welcome. J. W. BENTZ, Pastor.

Death of Kester Parker.

Kester Parker, an aged and respected resident of Greenwood township, died at his home on Friday, Sept. 14, at the ripe age of 80 years, 7 months and 20 days. He had been sick for some time and at his age death was not entirely unexpected. Funeral services were held on Sunday and the remains interred in the cemetery at this place. He is survived by a widow and five grown children—Mrs. John Kitchen and Elmer, of Greenwood; Avery E. and Mrs. Edward Hartman, of Madison township, and Mr. Jacob Holter, of Bloomsburg—besides numerous grandchildren and four great grandchildren. He had been mail carrier from the railroad to the Greenwood postoffice almost ever since the mail was put on the train.—Millville Tablet.

"Our Methodist Mothers and Fathers."

A lecture on the above subject will be delivered by Dr. Frysinger in the Auditorium of the M. E. Church on Saturday evening, Sept. 22, at 8 o'clock. It was on this subject the Dr. talked at the recent Huntington Valley Camp Meeting, when, the Shickshinny Echo says: "He moved his audience from tears to laughter as he related incidents in the lives of the men and women who made the church." As it is desired to give an opportunity to everybody, young and old, to hear this popular lecture, the price of tickets has been put at the nominal sum of ten cents. The spacious Auditorium, large as it is, ought to be crowded at this low rate. The proceeds will be a donation to the church.

As it is Viewed by a Stranger.

MR. EDITOR:—What is the matter with the north side of Main street in your town of Bloomsburg? The pavement is sort of a cat ladder, being on grade, below grade, and no grade. The houses, for the most part, do not compare with those on the south side, and the methods of the business men drive pedestrians to the south side for an agreeable and pleasant walk. In the night time the north pavement is dangerous to a stranger or person unacquainted with its ups and downs, and will, if possible, make his purchases on the safe side of the street. At any rate, that is the way it strikes A STRANGER.

Ready For Business.

Authorization was received Tuesday from Comptroller of Currency Dawes directing the First National Bank of Shickshinny to begin business. The counters are being put in position and the safe will arrive this week and be placed in the vault. Everything is in readiness for opening, except the building, and Contractor Jury expects to have his work done so that the bank can open on October 1st. Depositors wishing their business cards printed upon their checks can have them ready for the opening of the bank by giving their order to Cashier Mensch now.—Echo.

Death of Mrs. A. J. Derr.

Mrs. A. J. Derr departed this life at her home in Jackson township this county on Thursday evening last, after an illness of only a few hours, in the sixty-fourth year of her age. Death at any time is an unwelcome visitor, but when it comes as it did in this case it is indeed sad. Mrs. Derr was an estimable lady, and her death has cast a deep gloom over the community in which she resided. Mr. Derr survives. The funeral took place on Sunday.

The directors for Rosemont Cemetery Association for the ensuing year are: J. G. Freeze, J. K. Grotz, J. J. Brower, John Wolf, C. S. Furman, C. A. Kleim, W. E. Rinker, W. R. Ringrose, R. R. Little, S. F. Peacock and Frank Ikeler. The board was organized last Monday night by the election of J. G. Freeze, president; W. E. Rinker, secretary, and S. F. Peacock, superintendent and treasurer.

Mordansville still has its ghost. A resident of that village informs us that it appears almost nightly at one end of the bridge, looks to be about ten feet tall, is clothed in flimsy material of immaculate white, and makes a noise similar to a big wagon. He also says that travel over the bridge after nightfall has greatly decreased.

T. W. Dawson & Sons, of Bloomsburg, are putting down a granolithic pavement in front of the new bank building.—Shickshinny Echo.

M. E. CHURCH ANNIVERSARY.

The congregation of the First Methodist Church, of this town, will celebrate, in an appropriate manner, beginning on Saturday next, the third anniversary of their handsome edifice, on the corner of Market and Third streets. Special music, to be rendered by the choir, will be a pleasing feature of the exercises. The sermon, on Sabbath morning, will be delivered by Rev. R. H. Gilbert, D. D., of Berwick, who is recognized as one of the ablest divines in the Central Pennsylvania Conference. The event promises to be one of the greatest occasions in the church's history. Below is appended the program in its entirety:

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22. Lecture, 8:00 p. m. Subject, "Our Methodist Fathers and Mothers." By W. M. Frysinger, D. D. SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23. Sunday school at 9:00 a. m. Morning Church Service at 10:30 a. m. Opening Anthem. Choir and Congregation Hymn No. 37. Choir and Congregation Prayer. Offering and Music by Choir.

Sermon by Rev. R. H. Gilbert, D. D. Music by the Choir. Reception of Probationers into Full Membership. Doxology and Benediction. Anniversary Love Feast at 3:00 p. m. League Devotional Meeting at 6:30 p. m. Evening Church Services at 7:30 p. m. Platform Meeting and Service of Song. Five-Minute Addresses by Laymen and other interesting exercises. MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24. Address at 7:30 p. m., by Miss Prof. Henrietta A. Bancroft, Field Secretary of W. H. M. S. Organization of a Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Maier in Good Spirits.

I. Maier who is in jail in Williamsport for making improper use of the mails, is taking his imprisonment good naturedly. He is in the best of spirits at all times, ever willing to talk as can be seen from the following taken from the Williamsport Sun: "Maier can tell a visitor to the jail in an hour enough to fill up an edition of a newspaper. He claims to have quelled the Cuban war, the South African conflict, the Philippine trouble, and is now engaged in the herculean task of straightening out the Chinese affair. He is President McKinley's constant adviser, according to his talk, and has dead loads of knowledge stored away in his erudite brain that he has not permitted to escape. He has, however, set adrift lots of knowledge in days gone by, and holds the progress of the universe in the palm of his hand. He knows more about international law, he says, than there is in the books, and is, in fact a handy man for a president to have close at hand in case of an emergency."

Like Expressions.

Under the above title A. B. Black has collected and collated the various expressions of prose and verse, from the time of Homer to the present day. One is surprised on examining the pages to see how nearly different writers in different lands have put the same thoughts into almost the same words, and the cry "plagiarism" rises to the lips more than once. There can be no question of the value of such a work, both for use as a reference and for careful study in literature classes; and it will undoubtedly assist many a puzzled author or speaker to give the proper credit for his quotations. Taken from *The Scroll*, a monthly magazine, published by The Scroll Publishing Company, 308 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.

Bloomsburg Fair Oct. 9 to 12, 1900.

This great Fair is second to none in this state. From the present outlook, the management expect to have a larger and better exhibit than ever before. Nothing has been spared to make it a great success. A large addition has just been built to the grand stand. The attractions secured are novel and up to date. Something new presented between every heat of the races. Racing begins Wednesday with the 2:18 pace, 2:24 trot, 2:30 pace and 2:40 County race. Thursday the 2:14 class, 2:30 trot and 2:24 pace. Friday, the closing day, the Free for All race, 2:20 trot and 2:27 class. For premium lists write the secretary.

A. N. Yosr, Sec'y.

An Unprecedented Demand for Coal.

Since the Anthracite coal miners' strike has been promulgated there has been an unprecedented demand for coal, as almost every person realizes that the present struggle between the miners and the operators may be a long and bitter one, and will, consequently, make coal very scarce.

PROGRAMME.

Fifth Annual Re-Union of the Columbia County Veteran Association, at Benton, Pa., Sept. 29th, 1900.

LIEUT. RUSSEL KARNs, Pres. J. W. EVANS, Vice Pres. JOHN R. KEELER, Treas. DR. L. E. PATTERSON, Sec'y. Committee of Arrangements

Formation of parade at 10:30 a. m., at ringing of church bell. The procession will form on Public Square and Market street, right resting on Two and-a-half street. Chief Marshal, Col. A. D. Seely, of Berwick. Assistants—Capt. H. J. Conner, of Orangeville, M. P. Lutz, of Bloomsburg, Geo. W. Strmer, of Red Mill, C. F. Ha der, of Catawissa. Benton Cornet Band.

Columbia County Veteran Association and all G. A. R. Posts, on the left of Ass'n, Col. A. D. Seely Camp, S. of V., Russel Karns Camp, S. of V., all other Camps S. of V., on left of Camp 319. W. C. P. O. S. of A., No. 123, on left of Camps S. of V. All other P. O. S. of A. Camps form on left of Camp 123. All other orders will form on left of P. O. S. of A. orders.

Carriages, with orators of the day, and all other carriages and vehicles to follow.

ROUTE OF PARADE. The procession will pass down Two-and-a-half street to Colley street, up Third to Everett street, out Everett to Second, down Second to Market, out Market to First, up First to the Park, where a suitable stand has been erected.

After the parade the different orders and associations will assemble at the speaker's stand in the Park, where the following exercises will be conducted:

National air, by Benton Cornet Band. Prayer, by Rev. Wilhelm. Singing, by Male Quartette. Address of Welcome, by S. B. Karns, Esq. Reply to Address of Welcome, by Rev. J. D. Smith, of Bloomsburg. Singing, by Male Quartette. Reading of Minutes, by Dr. J. E. Patterson. Treasurer's Report, by John K. Keeler. Calling of the Roll, by Secretary. Election of officers and place of next meeting. Announcement of result. Adjournment for dinner.

Promptly at two o'clock p. m., at ringing of church bell, will again assemble on the grounds.

AFTERNOON MEETING. Opened by prayer by Rev. Sawtell. Singing, by Male Quartette. Remarks by Dr. M. B. Hughes, Rev. G. H. Hemingway, Prof. Jas. M. Coughlin, and others. Music, by Band. Every one come, and bring your families, to hear and see the Veterans of Columbia County together once more.

The Rev. Dr. B. F. Dimmick, pastor of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church, Danville, at the completion of his Sunday morning sermon, announced to the complete surprise of his congregation, that he had accepted a call from a church in Columbus, Ohio, and would leave about the middle of October. Dr. Dimmick is an able minister, and his leaving is a source of deep regret.

Fine Stationery.

The job department of the COLUMBIAN is now prepared to show its patrons a fine line of stationery, in bond and linen papers, for unruled letter and note heads, in blue, white or cream, with envelopes to match. It is suitable for either pen or typewriter. Admirers of fine stationery are invited to call and see it. The prices are very low for the class of goods.

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