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It is really remarkable the number of cheap plated watch cases sold these days, cases that will wear from six weeks to two years, containing a guarantee warranting them for 20 years. The construction of the guarantee is misleading. The case will not wear out, although the gold is all worn off.

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J. H. Ertwine.
Lamps from 25 cents to \$13.00 at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

At the sale of the J. T. Ashworth property, on the other side of the river, last week, the farm was bought by L. D. Rohrbach for \$2,305.00.

COURT HOUSE.

MARRIAGE LICENSES GRANTED—Transfers of Real Estate—Other News.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

A glance at the marriage docket shows that the following couples have procured licenses to wed since our last issue:

Thos. Flynn of Brynsville to Miss Bridget of the same place.
Charles P. Hassenplug and Miss Esther L. Edwards, both of Berwick.
Boyd Smith, of Mt. Pleasant township, and Miss Winifred Edwards of Pine township.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Samuel Giger and wife to Isaiah B. Giger, in Bloom.
Alvaretta A. Lockard to Bruce B. Kelchner, in Bloom.
James Keifer, executor, to Adam Truckemiller, in Catawissa.
Duval Dickson to C. M. Bibby, in Briarcreek.
Harvey Doan et al to Emma B. Michael, in Briarcreek.
Alexander B. Rea to Mary D. McCormick, in Conyngham.
Susan C. Ash, et ux, to Willet W. Ash in Benton.
Levi Lynn to Anna M. Lynn, in Center.
John Eyer and wife to Charles W. Eyer in Greenwood.
Geo. W. Miffin and wife to Christian Catterman, in Bloom.
Lavina Vandine to Sarah A. Dewald in Madison.
Robt. C. Kindt to Mary A. Kindt, in Mt. Pleasant.
W. B. Hess et al, to Sarah J. Hess, et al, in Fishingcreek.
Emma J. Jackson et al, to Robert S. Berger, in Briarcreek.
James R. Ruch and wife to Geo. L. Ruch, in Berwick.
Lemuel J. Drake to Jane Samuels, in Bloom.
Jonas Nause, executor, to Wm. H. Hauck, in Mam.
Ellen Donahue to Cora J. Geiss in Bloom.
Daniel Yoder and wife to W. C. No. 419, P. O. S. of A. in Blom.
W. H. Henrie, Clerk of O. C., to Mary A. Rawlings, in Bloom.

DOINGS IN COURT.

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cating and relaying a portion of public road in Catawissa township, near W. H. Roberts'. Confirmed nisi.

Estate of J. S. Yohe. Return of sale confirmed nisi.

Report of viewers in favor of private road, over lands of Jos. Yeager, confirmed nisi.

Report of viewers in favor of bridge in Hemlock township, over little Hemlock creek, confirmed absolutely.

Report of viewers in favor of county bridge over Briarcreek, in Briarcreek township, confirmed absolutely.

Report of viewers in favor of county bridge over creek, near Bower's store, in Centre Twp., confirmed absolutely.

Report of viewers in favor of county bridge in Main township, near M. E. Church, confirmed absolutely.

Commonwealth vs. Clinton Keifer. Charge, desertion. Hearing in open court. Emma Keifer, Daniel Longenberger, Nettie Wilson, Clinton Keifer, Jno. Keifer, P. H. Miller, sworn.

Recognition of Clinton Keifer, in the sum of \$200, for appearance of said Keifer at next term.

Report of viewers in favor of road in Conyngham township, at Schuylkill county line, to vacate same, confirmed absolutely.

Report of viewers in favor of road in Greenwood township, near Jacob Derr's, confirmed absolutely.

Report of viewers in favor of county bridge over little Fishingcreek, between Jackson and Pine townships, confirmed absolutely.

Report of viewers in favor of public road in Pine township, near Wm. Kingston's, confirmed absolutely.

Grand Jury returns the following bills:

Commonwealth vs. Harry Cole, forgery. A true bill. Three indictments found.

Commonwealth vs. Thomas Gallagher, larceny. Not a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Conrad Kelchner, assault and battery. A true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Frank Zimmerman, f. and b. Not a true bill, and prosecutor, Mahala Stine, to pay costs.

On motion of H. A. McKillip, Esq., Geo. K. Powell was sworn and admitted as a member of Columbia County Bar.

Petition of Ella G. Turner for Sheriff Knorr to make deed, &c. Granted.

Petition of Annie M. Skeer guardian of Joseph A. Skeer and Lloyd B. Skeer for allowance. Granted. Amount fixed \$187 quarterly.

Report of Columbia County Law Library Committee for the years 1899 and 1900 and of N. U. Funk, treasurer read and ordered filed.

Wm. G. Rook vs Annie Rook. Divorce. Decree in divorce granted.

Commonwealth vs. W. L. Eyerly. Embezzlement. Noll pros allowed.

Commonwealth vs. Shirran. Assault and battery. Noll pros on payment of costs.

Commonwealth vs. A. M. Hess. Noll pros on payment of costs.

Recognition of Perry Swank and C. C. Raup in the sum of \$500, for appearance of said Swank at next term of court.

Court convened at 10 a. m. Tuesday, His Honor R. R. Little and Associate Judges Fox and Kirtz on the bench.

Commonwealth vs. C. B. Kelchner. Assault and battery. The plea of the defendant was not guilty. Lee Townsend, prosecutor, was the first to take the stand. He explained how on the night of December 29th, last, he was assaulted at the Methodist Church in Light Street. The attack was entirely unprovoked. He was hit several times, causing his nose to bleed and breaking the skin on his lip. His testimony was substantiated by three other witnesses, Charles Drake, Benjamin Creveling and Frank Seybert. The first two named were present when the assault was committed. There were several witnesses called on the part of the defendant but their evidence was of little weight in the way of rebuttal. Col. J. G. Freese, counsel for the defendant, was allowed five minutes to address the jury, as was also District Attorney Harman for the Commonwealth. The deliberations of the jury were brief, after which a verdict of guilty was returned.

The Washingtonville Democrats have nominated candidates as follows: Councilmen, J. B. Seidel and Hudson Leidy; School Director, Chris Heckendorn; Auditor, A. E. Seidel; Inspector, Geo. Gresh. Dr. Bitler acted as chairman and Elmer Cotner as secretary.

HON. FRED IKELER'S SPEECH.

He Makes a Powerful Argument Against the Bill Providing for Another Court in Philadelphia.

Representative Fred Ikeler made his first speech in the Legislature on Tuesday morning, in opposition to the bill to create a fifth court in Philadelphia. The Harrisburg papers call it "a splendid speech." He said:

"Before a final vote is taken upon this bill I ask the house to pause for a few moments. As we are now about to determine finally upon this measure, I take it for granted that but one question presents itself. Is there an honest public necessity for the creation of the additional court contemplated by this bill? If there is, the members from all sections and of all parties ought to speedily establish it. If there is not: if this bill does not fill a substantial public want; if it is drafted in the interest of a political faction; if its aim and purpose rises no higher than to place in office and power the political servants of political masters, then no man will have the boldness to say upon the floor of this house that it ought to become a law.

"I have no personal knowledge that such is its purpose, and I wish to make no charge that I cannot verify in my own mind, but I do know, Mr. Speaker, that this bill comes before us in a most unfortunate light. It is claimed that this will benefit the business interests of a great city, and yet many of the influential business men of that city protest against it. It is said that it will assist the bar of Philadelphia county, and yet many of the leaders of that bar openly denounce it. The very judges for whose benefit it is urged, describe it as useless, extravagant and dangerous; while the entire press of the city, with but two exceptions, unite in crying out against the passage of the act.

"In the face of such opposition, am I not justified in saying to the gentlemen who have this bill in charge, before you ask us to entail upon our people outside of the city of Philadelphia an annual burden of many thousands of dollars; before you ask us to agree to a law opposed alike by your judiciary and your press, you must convince us by positive and substantial proofs that there exists some hidden necessity for your action, which neither your newspapers nor your judges have discovered.

"Can that necessity be shown? It is said that the trial lists of Philadelphia are crowded with unfinished cases. So they are, and so they will be, under the present rules of procedure in that city, if you establish fifty courts. The lists of my own county are crowded, insignificant though our legal business is. There is not a county in the state but can furnish statistics of this character. If I were to ransack our equity and common pleas dockets, I could bring you an appalling list of unfinished cases, which might even lead the unsuspecting to believe that we need an additional judge in Columbia county. And yet the honorable gentleman who presides in that district is not busy half his time.

"Why does this condition exist, not only in Philadelphia, but in almost every county of our state? Because we need more courts and judges? You might as well say that it is for lack of lawyers. These cases are untried, these lists are crowded, not because we need more courts, but because the lawyers are not ready with their cases, or the clerks are not willing, or the judges are not present, or there exists some defect in the rules of practice which makes such a condition possible.

"Therefore I hope that this house will not be deceived by statistics and figures that are confounding at first blush, but mean next to nothing when rightly understood. It is an easy thing to say, '1,000 cases remain untried in our courts,' but when—when, Mr. Speaker, was there a single case untried for lack of courts and judges?

I realize that it may be urged that as a country member I am talking about conditions of which I have no personal knowledge. But I don't ask this house to take my poor statements of this matter. I want to put in evidence the language of more powerful witnesses. I want to remind you of what these very judges, these identical, overworked, public servants, have said upon this question.

"On April 4, 1899, Judge Biddle, in quarterly sessions court No. 1, addressed the jury in these terms: 'Gentlemen. It has been stated in the papers that there are over two thousand cases awaiting trial. Now, here I am compelled to adjourn this court, there being no cases ready for trial. There are not enough cases to go on with the business of the court.'

"Judge Finletter in discharging a jury panel in court No. 3, on one occasion, said: 'I say to you that on to-day's list there are seven important cases that were commenced in December last. And yet none of these cases is ready, and here we have to adjourn, having no business. It is so, probably, in the other rooms, and in all the other courts.'

Judges McMichael, Pennypacker and Beiler have all concurred in the sentiments contained in these remarks, but if anything else is necessary to convince the house, I call your attention to the language of Judge Brey. On April 2, 1899, having finished the cases, he discharged the jury with the following remarks: 'Gentlemen of the jury: In discharging you at this time I wish to call your attention to the fact that out of fifteen cases on to-day's trial list, only two have been disposed of, because counsel were not prepared to try them. If you will attentively observe the course of events during your term, you will see a repetition of to-day's proceedings. As taxpayers, who will have to pay the expense, you should know whether there is a need for a fifth court, mention pleas court, with the salaries of three additional judges to be paid and a number of court clerks and several stenographers to be provided for, when this court has to adjourn at noon, because counsel are not ready.'

"This, then, is the evidence of the men whom this bill is intended to benefit, and it seems to me that it ought to be conclusive on the subject.

"It is easy to play the demagogue. It is a poor and a cheap notoriety which some men attain by opposing all legislation, regardless of its merits. But to every man who has studied the history of his state there comes home the question, how long shall the suffering taxpayer be helpless between the mill-stones of legislative extravagance.

"I know something of the power that rules this house, and something of its fixed determination. But let me sound this note of warning. There is a limit to what even we may do. Extravagance, imprudence, even deliberate wrong, may be forgiven us, but there is a point beyond which even the mighty majority of this house may not pass. The strength, the pride, the safety of the people lies in their uncorrupted judiciary. If, by the creation of unnecessary courts; if, by the manufacture of political judges, you strike at this holy of holies, even your orator of power and supremacy will not shield you from the wrath of an outraged people."

The bill was passed finally by a vote of 119 to 63 and was sent to the senate for confirmation.

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Bloomsburg prosperity makes success easier. Bloomsburg adversity don't stop our progress. When the dull times come, we apply increased vigor—decreased prices. Men and women—more and more in number, are learning that our store print-news never deviates from real facts. That's why our business grows so rapidly—that's why we require more store room. In getting this store room heretofore used by Miffin & Terwilliger, the grocers, we let you come and take such goods from our stock at prices not named elsewhere—below cost—rather than not sell. They're in the way.

ALTERATION SALE.

Striped and plaid Outing Flannel, 1 yd. wide, selling now at 9c. yd.

Children's knit skating Caps, reduced from 25, 39 and 50c. to 19, 25 and 39c.

Ladies' and children's Jackets, new this season, are just half price—not a large lot now, but may be one to suit you.

1/4 to 1/2 off of all ladies' children's and men's winter underwear—values you may never see again.

Slipper Soles, 14 and 19c., reduced from 19, 22 and 25c.

Children's wool Leggings, 18c.

Lined Kid Gloves, reduced from 50c. & \$1.00, down to 39c. & 75c.

Good Apron Gingham in all best colors and patterns, 4 1/2c. yd.

First Here, First Served.

FOULLY MURDERED.

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Attorney John G. Harman we are informed that he, on Tuesday, requested the County Commissioners to offer a reward. He has had no information from friends of the dead man, nor from anybody else, that would warrant him in taking any steps. He cannot cause the arrest of any one without some evidence to sustain such a course. There must be an inducement offered that will engage the services of expert detectives who will gather up the broken chains of evidence, and find a clue that will lead to the discovery of the assassin. We have no doubt that the County Commissioners will do the proper thing in this case, but it should not be long delayed.

A New Departure.

At the Bloomsburg Normal School—Meals Served on the Hotel Plan.

The unexpected is always happening on Normal Hill. This time we hear that the usual boarding school traditions have been thrown to the winds in a manner greatly to the satisfaction of both teachers and students. Meals are now served in the dining-room of the Bloomsburg Normal School in regular hotel style. No set time is fixed for meals as formerly, but an hour and a half is set apart for each meal, and each person entering during the first hour is served separately on coming into the room. This extension of time for meals permits a greater variety to be served than was possible under the old arrangement and a regular bill of fare is offered at each meal from which each person may select what he desires.

The new plan has been in effect for more than a week past and, thanks to Steward House and his efficient assistants, everything in connection with the new service is running as quietly and as smoothly as if no change had been made.

The Bloomsburg Normal School has long been noted for its excellent and wholesome table board. The management is firmly of the opinion that to make the best progress in their studies students must be well nourished, and the new arrangement is directly in line with settled policy of the school to provide its students with the best obtainable in everything.

It is not difficult, therefore, to explain the unusual popularity of the School among its students and friends, and the new departure will only place the school still farther in advance of other schools.

Some of the bills of fare already served are as follows:

- BREAKFAST, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1901.**
Omelette, Gravy, Ham, Steamed Eggs, Fried Potatoes, Butter Toast, Coffee, Tea, Cocoa, Milk.
- DINNER, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1901.**
Roast Beef, Fresh Salmon, Mashed Potatoes, Slaw, Milk Toast, Tapioca Soufflé.
- SUPPER, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1901.**
Baked Beans, Cold Roast Beef, Apple Slices, Dry Toast, Crackers, Pickles, Coffee, Tea, Cocoa, Milk.
- TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. B. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

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The People of Columbia County know a Bargain when they see it. They are seeing them, and buying them very fast at this FORCED PRICE SALE.

Don't wait till some one else secures the identical article you want. No duplicates. Don't blame us if they have been sold when you get here, if you wait too long.

ALTERATION SALE.

Ladies' Dress Skirts during this sale reduced from 1.50 and \$2.50, &c., down to \$1.19 and \$1.95 &c.

15c. Oak and Cherry Curtain Poles, 4 feet long, with ends and brackets, 11c.

Lace Curtains in a large variety. About one-third off during Alteration Sale.

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50c. each for Women's and Children's Coats. The cloth in them is worth three or four times the price, but the trouble is these are not new garments.

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Time to save--Now. Place to save--Here.

Cemetery Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of all persons who are interested in what is commonly known as the "Brown" Cemetery or burying ground in Mifflin township, Columbia county, will be held at Goodhart's Hotel in Mifflinville, on Saturday February 16th, 1901 at 2 o'clock p. m. to elect a full board of trustees and to transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

JOHN KIKENDALL, Surviving Trustee.

Games from 5 cents to \$1.00 at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

WANTED—ACTIVE MAN, OF GOOD character, to deliver and collect in Pennsylvania for old established manufacturing wholesale house, \$900 a year, sure pay. Honesty more than experience required. Our reference, any bank, in any city. Enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope. Manufacturers, Third Floor, 334 Dearborn St., Chicago. 10-25-16a.

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Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the governor of the state of Pennsylvania, on Monday, the 25th day of February, A. D. 1901, by J. L. Dillon, F. E. Dillon, Boyd Furnish, Henry W. Gibson and Alfred E. Gibbons, under the Act of Assembly of the State of Pennsylvania, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 23, 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation to be called the "Henry W. Gibson Company," the character and object of which is the designing, manufacture and sale of greenhouse structural, heating and equipment material, and the erection of same. And the manufacture of iron, wood, and other material of either, for commerce, for kindred structures. C. W. MILLED, Solicitor.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

ESTATE OF DR. JAMES ROYD MCKELVEY, LATE OF THE TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG, DECEASED. Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Dr. James Royd McKelvey, late of the Town of Bloomsburg, Pa., deceased, have been granted to George A. McKelvey, resident of said town, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to GEORGE A. MCKELVEY, Executor. H. A. MCKILLIP, [2-7-01]

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Dimples and joy have gone, and left hollows and fear; the fat, that was comfort and color and curve—all but pity and love—is gone.

The little one gets no fat from her food. There is something wrong; it is either her food or food-mill. She has had no fat for weeks; is living on what she had stored in that plump little body of hers; and that is gone. She is starving for fat; it is death, be quick!

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