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BOLU ROBBERS.

Many Bloomsburg Dwellings Plundered Sunday Night.

It was a base bold band of crooks that swept down upon Bloomsburg during the still hours of Sunday night. Burglaries are by no means rare. Houses have been broken into and goods stolen in the past, but it is doubtful if there were ever before so many committed at one time within the town limits as was the case Sunday night. Six houses were entered but the value of the property stolen was only trifling. Just where the band began operations is not known, but they must have moved with considerable alacrity as the circuit was gone over and the six houses visited in a remarkably short space of time. In some instances they encountered little difficulty in affecting an entrance. At T. L. Gunton's, on Market Street, a rear window was removed, closets and drawers on the first floor were ransacked and things in general strewn about in chaotic fashion, but nothing valuable was obtained. They evidently had their appetites with them as everything in the edible line which had been prepared by Mrs. Gunton on Saturday night had been eaten. They apparently were in no hurry, as they took time to smoothen some cold coffee.

Through the cellar was the method employed to get into the large house on the corner of Market and Fifth Streets and occupied by C. A. Kitchen and W. S. Reed. Burned matches marked the path of the marauders in different parts of the house on the first floor. Mr. Kitchen had left his coat hanging on a chair down stairs. It contained a bank book and several dollars in money. The book had been removed from the pocket and was found lying on the floor, but strange the money was untouched. In the other half of the house nothing was disturbed with the exception of a few candy samples from Mr. Reed's case.

Other houses included in the raid were those of Mr. W. L. Eyerly, on Market Street; J. J. Robinson, Market Street; and C. R. Butler, on Fifth Street, but as in the foregoing cases nothing was stolen.

Money was the motive that prompted the perpetration of the outrages. Valuables in the way of silverware could easily have been secured had the thieves so desired, but they didn't want it. It was money or nothing, and they took the latter.

The burglars continued their work Monday night by breaking into the home of William Brobst in the lower end of town, where they secured nearly ten dollars in money.

Officers Elected.

At the recent annual meeting of the Columbia County Bible Society held at Buckhorn, the following officers were elected for the coming year:

President, H. R. Bower, Berwick; Vice Presidents, Rev. S. S. Murney, Espy; Rev. A. C. Logan, Buckhorn; Secretary, A. W. Spear, Cabin Run; Treasurer, H. G. Supplee, Bloomsburg; Managers, Rev. U. Meyers, Catawissa; Miss Martha Robison, Espy; Boyd Treccott, Millville; Mrs. Mary Gearhart, Bloomsburg; Rev. E. E. McKelvey, Roaring Creek; Myron I. Low, Lime Ridge; Mrs. W. C. Van Houten, Berwick; Jas. S. Wilson, Bloomsburg. A. W. SPEAR, Sec.

Arrested by the Truant Officer.

The relentless persistence to play truant of John Nevil, son of Charles Nevil, was checked Thursday. He was taken before Squire Jacoby by Truant Officer Frank Dietterick, and severely reprimanded. If he remains away from school again he will be sent to the Reformatory. The elder Nevil admitted his inability to control the lad, who would disobey every command. This should serve as a warning to other youngsters who are shirking their duty.

United Evangelical Church Services.

Sunday school at 9:30; preaching, by Prof. Armstrong, Sec'y Y. M. C. A., 10:30 a. m.; Junior K. L. C. E., 2:00; Senior K. L. C. E., 6:30; preaching, 7:30 p. m.; K. L. C. E. business meeting, Wednesday evening, 7:30; Aid Society, on Friday evening, October 4, 7:30. A cordial invitation to all these services. Strangers always welcome. J. W. BENTZ, Pastor.

Some new and sensational developments in the McHenry case are anticipated. The chain of disclosures, when complete, will probably result in the apprehension of the guilty party.

The More We Get the More We Want.

Perhaps we ought to be satisfied with the large business that has come to us during the few years that our doors have been open. But it is human to want more and more, so we too, desire to enlarge our business. We, therefore, solicit new accounts, particularly, as we are so well equipped to accommodate additional patrons.

GIVE US A CALL.

—THE—

Bloomsburg National Bank

A. Z. SCHOCH, PRESIDENT.

WM. H. HIDLAY, CASHIER.

A BERWICK CONFLAGRATION.

Fire broke out Friday morning in the Kurtz building, corner Second and Pine Streets, Berwick. Judge Kurtz and family were aroused by hearing some one cry fire and he at once started for the building adjoining his residence from which he found smoke and flames issuing. Both fire companies responded to the alarm sounded by the gong and it was through their efforts that the flames were subdued and prevented from doing greater damage. As it is the second story of his well furnished home was flooded with water and discolored with smoke and the rear portion of the building devoted to the Judge's large and rapidly growing marble business was utterly destroyed. The Judge's office at the front, containing many valuable papers, was thoroughly drenched with water but was untouched by the flames. The fire is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary.

Resolutions of Espy Lodge, No. 681, I. O. O. F. on the Death of Wm. McKinley.

WHEREAS, In the Providence of God our beloved President of this great country has been called to his maker, therefore be it

Resolved, that we in this our sad bereavement bow to His Divine will, knowing that he doeth all things well.

Resolved, that we do all in our power for strenuous laws for the extermination of all Anarchists and Anarchy, and for the protection of our rulers in this great commonwealth, also be it further

Resolved, that we tender our sincere condolence to his widow and pray that God will comfort and protect her,

S. K. WORMAN, } Committee.
GEO. STROUB, }
F. W. FOWLER, }

Made a Good Impression.

The following letter was received by the Bloomsburg Wheelmen yesterday:

WILLIAMSPORT, PA., Oct. 1, 1901.
BLOOMSBURG WHEELMEN,
Bloomsburg, Pa.

Dear Sirs:
Will you have a basket ball team this year? No team visited here last season that was more gentlemanly or played better ball than Bloomsburg Wheelmen.

Yours truly,
W. P. CLARK,
Mgr. Y. M. C. A. Basket Ball Team.
Y. M. C. A. Building.

A Terrible Accident.

A terrible accident befell John Farley, who resides on the Vance property, a short distance below Orangeville, Tuesday afternoon. He was in the mow storing away straw from a threshing machine, and instead of descending by way of the ladder he jumped into a pile of straw on the floor. Hid from view, and standing in an upright position was a pitch fork, on which the unfortunate man alighted. The sharp-pointed wooden handle pierced his body to the depth of several inches. His condition was extremely critical for some time, but it is now believed that he will recover.

The primary department of the Reformed Sunday School of Millgrove, seventy-five in number were brought to Bloomsburg in four spring wagons Friday. They were treated to a trolley ride to Lime Ridge and return, and later were shown through the Columbia county prison. The object of the latter was to impress upon the minds of the little ones the importance and worth of an upright moral life. The party was in charge of Rev. and Mrs. A. P. Frantz.

Moving Pictures at the Tabernacle.

The A. & T. Biograph Company will give an exhibition of moving pictures and illustrated songs in the Tabernacle on Market Street every evening next week. This is positively the finest entertainment of life motion pictures in existence. The list will include the well known fairy tale, "Cinderella and the Glass Slipper," the marvelous "Trip to the Moon," the same film that is now being exhibited on the Midway at the Buffalo Exposition, Queen Victoria's Funeral Procession, our late President William McKinley, and an endless variety of other views. The program will be interspersed with illustrated songs by D. J. Tasker. The songs to be featured will include the touching story, "In the House of Too Much Trouble." The pictures to this song are positively the finest ever produced. Never again will you have an opportunity to see an entertainment of this class for so little money. Cards have been distributed, one of which with five cents will admit any lady, or child under twelve years to the regular performances Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday evenings. General admission ten cents.

NEW MACHINERY.

A new job press 7x11 has just been added to the equipment of this office. Negotiations are pending for another press, 14x22. A new book binders' press has also been ordered. This will make eleven presses of all kinds in use in the office, eight of which are printing presses.

A new combination machine for punching and cutting round corners, has also been received. It is the latest thing out in printers' machines.

Death of Aaron Smith.

Aaron Smith died at his home in Hemlock township Friday evening of last week. He was well known throughout Columbia county, by the older residents by reason of his connection with the Sheriff's office. He was an independent candidate for Sheriff against the regular Democratic nominee in 1870, and was elected. At the expiration of his term he moved back to the farm in Hemlock where he resided at the time of his death.

The deceased was eighty-eight years of age, and is survived by four children. His wife died about three or four years ago. The funeral services were held Monday.

Real Estate Deals.

E. B. Tustin has purchased the property of W. S. Rishton on Market street. The buildings will be torn down, and the lot will become a part of Mr. Tustin's lawn.

W. S. Rishton has purchased twenty-five feet of ground of C. W. Miller, adjoining Dr. Bruner's and twenty feet from the Dentler lot, and will erect a residence there.

The Friendship Fire Company, thirty-six in number, made a pretty appearance as they marched down Main street Tuesday morning to the tune of "From Tropic to Tropic," rendered by the Bloomsburg Band. They boarded the Reading Railway train for Philadelphia, where they will attend the annual State Firemen's Convention and participate in the parade to-day. The Band was augmented for the occasion and consisted of twenty three pieces.

Joseph C. Evans is Millville's new postmaster. He received his appointment last week. The Millville Tablet says it came as a surprise to nearly everybody, as no change was anticipated.

Light Street Whispers.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather Saturday, the Epworth League did not prove to be a great success. Mrs. Seymour Pohe, of Bloomsburg is visiting Mrs. P. E. Hulshizer.

Michael Getty and family have returned from the West branch, after a sojourn of several months.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Geiger, of Lime Ridge, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Geiger and family, of Bloomsburg, spent Sunday with A. F. Terwilliger.

A party of young people took a trip to Danville on Monday night, returning Tuesday morning.

Mr. Kline, brother of Mrs. Charles Jones, has returned to his home after a stay of several weeks. We think some one will miss him if all reports are true.

C. D. Lynn, who has been secretary of the local Y. M. C. A., for the past several years, tendered his resignation last week. The last meeting under his charge was held Sunday afternoon, and consisted of song service with a few brief addresses, all of which were befitting the occasion. Mr. Lynn's administration has been eminently successful, and the present healthy condition of the Association is due to his untiring zeal and able management. At the conclusion of the service Mr. Lynn was presented with a beautiful ring by the members, as a token of esteem and friendship. The new secretary is Mr. B. F. Armstrong who was the first to serve in that capacity, when the association was organized in 1890.

Samuel Sober died at the residence of his son, Andrew Sober, on Seventh street, Friday evening, aged eighty-one years. The surviving members of the family consist of three sons. The other two are residents of Shamokin. The body was taken to Irish Valley for interment on Monday.

There has been a change in the proprietorship of the Light Street Hotel. The hostelry was sold Tuesday by the heirs of the late John Eckrote to John Smith of Montour county.

A number of our merchants are arranging for exhibits at the fair next week.

Finger Rings.

Every imaginable shape and styles in great abundance, all well selected.

Opal Rings, from \$1.00 and up.

Turquoise Rings, from 75 cents and up.

Have a few very fine real Turquoise Matrix Rings at prices very low.

J. Lee Martin, The Jeweler.

J. G. WELLS, Successor to S. F. Peacock & Co., Market Square.

A HUNT.

Every sportsman enjoys a good day's hunting after game. Sometimes there is plenty of game seen, but a poor gun loses the coveted prize. Now you want a good gun. You don't like to pay out a big lot of money for it, do you? We know you don't. We offer a large assortment of good, reliable guns at less than prevailing prices. We invite you to see this display of reliable guns. We mention two specialties:

No. 1.—A single barrel gun, clean bore barrel, nicely finished with self-ejecting cartridge attachment, at \$4.88.

No. 2.—Double barrel gun, clean bore, highly finished, warranted to bring down game, \$9.67 each.

Also, a large line at all prices. COATS, LEGGINGS, CARTRIDGES, Blank and Loaded Shells.

J. G. WELLS, GENERAL HARDWARE.

COME IN AND SEE US

when in town for the

FAIR NEXT WEEK.

We can show you all the novelties in

CLOTHING,

HATS

AND FURNISHINGS,

for men and boys, and at right prices.

BEN GIDDING,

The Clothier.

Come in and see us, we'll treat you right.

The Leader Department Store.

CARPETS.

THE NEWEST AND BEST.

Our selection this season enables us to easily maintain our reputation for carrying the largest and most select line of Carpets in the County.

From our 25c. Carpet, up to those at \$1.50, every grade is the best that can be bought for the money.

FURNITURE.

The finest pick from the New York and Grand Rapids Exhibitions. Don't buy without consulting us.

DRY GOODS.

Our new goods are unpacked and all who have seen them say they are the finest in Bloomsburg.

This is not exaggeration. Remember, we do not buy in case lots in order to make our profits a half-cent a yard more. Every piece of our dress goods was personally selected, and with the view of giving the prettiest patterns and the best quality for the least money.

Here are a few of our good things:

BLACK HENRIETTAS, \$1.00 to \$1.50.

BLACK PRUNETTA, \$1.90.

BLACK MELROSE, \$1.25 to \$1.75.

BLACK SERGES, 50c., 75c., \$1.00.

CHEVIOTS, 50, 75, 90c.

We have all the popular weaves, in all the season's favorite colors.

FRENCH FLANNELS, a new line, 50c. per yard.

The Leader Store Co., Ltd.,

Fourth and Market Sts.,

BLOOMSBURG, - - - PENN'A.