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COMPULSORY VACCINATION.

At a recent meeting of the Columbia County Medical Society the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, smallpox is epidemic in various parts of the State of Pennsylvania, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Columbia County Medical Society requests all local Boards of Health to call attention of School Boards and all persons interested to the Act of 18th of June, 1895, regarding compulsory vaccination, and urges compliance with the same. Section 12 of the act reads as follows: All principals or other persons in charge of schools as aforesaid are hereby required to refuse the admission of any child to the schools under their charge or supervision, except upon a certificate signed by a physician, setting forth that such child has been successfully vaccinated, or that it has previously had smallpox.

And Section 21, penalty for violation of any part of act: Any physician, undertaker, principal of a school, superintendent of a Sunday school, sexton, janitor, head of a family or any other person or persons named in this act, who shall fail, neglect or refuse to comply with, or who shall violate any of the provisions or requirements of this act, shall for every such offense, upon conviction thereof before any mayor, burgess, alderman, police magistrate or justice of the peace of the municipality in which said offense was committed, be liable to a fine or penalty therefor of not less than five dollars, or more than one hundred dollars, which said fines or penalties shall be paid into the treasury of said municipality, and in default of payment thereof, such person or persons so convicted shall undergo an imprisonment in the jail of the proper county for a period not exceeding sixty days.

Berwick has the Trolley.

The residents of Berwick are now enjoying the great convenience of trolley cars. They were run through Front street as far as Smith Bros. Store for the first time on Tuesday. The weather during the latter part of last week was anything but favorable for progress and the frozen earth was a pretty tough proposition to contend with. However, by the generous use of cord wood and oil the ground was sufficiently thawed and road bed graded. Tuesday afternoon, as stated above, the first car was run and the elements waved a welcome to the innovation in the shape of a snow storm, but this failed to detract from the novelty of the scene and the people of our sister town watched the movements of the vehicle with great interest.

Died in Sunbury.

Jacob Blosser, who for many years conducted a boarding house on East Street and later at the corner of Market and Third Streets this town, succumbed to an attack of kidney trouble at his home on Market Street Sunbury, Friday evening. He was also proprietor of the Hotel at Espy for a number years. The deceased was aged about sixty-seven years and is survived by a wife. The remains were conveyed to Espy over the Delaware Lackawanna and Western Railroad, Monday morning, and interred in the cemetery at that place.

The Wheelmen Defeated.

The Bloomsburg Wheelmen dropped a game of basket ball at Danville Friday night. The result was no surprise to the local enthusiasts, it simply verifies the old contention that to defeat Danville's representatives on their own floor is a pretty hard task. The playing of our boys was, generally speaking right fair, but they lacked the vim and dash that has marked exhibitions in the past. Danville made two points to our one and had twelve to spare, the score being 42 to 15. We are promised a different story when they meet again.

Notes.

Four different forms of notes have just been printed at this office. They are, a common promissory note, promissory with waivers, judgment, and judgment with waivers. Neatly bound in books of twenty-five, 10 cents.

The First National Bank, Bloomsburg, Pa.

Attention is called to the strong condition of this Bank, as reflected by its report which you will find elsewhere in this paper.

THE Bloomsburg National Bank

Extends to its patrons and friends the compliments of the season, with the hope that all may enjoy the same prosperity during the coming year that has marked the year now ending.

A. Z. SCHOCH, PRESIDENT.

WM. H. HIDLAY, CASHIER.

A NEW INDUSTRY FOR BLOOMSBURG.

The Hawke Stone Company, of Tunkhannock, Wyoming County, and Central, Columbia County, was organized at Wilkes Barre, Saturday, December 14, and with its organization was the beginning of that which promises to be, in a few years, one of Bloomsburg's best industries.

The officers of the company are: President, L. N. Moyer, Bloomsburg; Treasurer, Francis Hawke, Tunkhannock; Secretary, C. E. Lindsley, Jersey City; Board of Directors, C. C. Peacock, Bloomsburg; George C. Choate, New York City; L. N. Moyer, Francis Hawke, C. E. Lindsley.

THE COMPANY'S QUARRIES.

The company controls a number of the best blue stone and gray stone quarries in this country. The former are located at Springville, and Meshoppen, Wyoming County. They are already engaged in quarrying at these places and are turning out a superior grade of blue stone that commands a better price than any other of that kind throughout the blue stone district. In addition to these, the company has options on other equally profitable quarries. The company also controls a stone mill at Meshoppen which is now running every day and which will be run throughout the winter on orders already received.

It is the opinion of stone experts that no finer grade gray stone is to be had than from the Yorks quarries at Central, this country. Beautiful in color and very easily dressed the stone is of a particular value. It was from this stone that Bloomsburg's new Methodist Church was built. Appreciating the value of these quarries to Bloomsburg's business interests, the company has leased the quarries, and will begin the work of stripping them, prior to the opening of the Spring trade. Experts who have carefully gone over the ground state there is an inexhaustible supply of gray stone there and that even much finer stone than that already quarried will be secured.

THE PURPOSE OF THE COMPANY.

It is the purpose of the company to open stone yards in Bloomsburg next Spring where the stone will be dressed for building purposes. This means that employment will be eventually given to a large number of skilled workmen.

The business will be in the hands of a conservative business management. The quarrying and marketing of the stone is under the personal supervision of Francis Hawke, an authority of many years' experience in the stone business. In the beginning he was associated with his father, who opened up the business in 1865. He understands every detail of the work, and successfully carried on the business until the present company was organized in order that it might be carried on the more extensively. The company already commands a trade that takes their entire output. As a conservative business enterprise it is one that will appeal to any one looking for a safe investment. With a practically inexhaustible supply of blue and gray stone at their command, the company is in a position to become a leading factor in the stone trade of the country. The stock as yet unsubscribed is being rapidly taken. Either Mr. Moyer or Mr. Peacock will gladly furnish full data to interested parties.

License Blanks.

All kinds of application blanks for liquor license for sale at this office, including hotel, restaurant, bottler, distiller, and wholesale. Price 10 cents each, or 3 for 25 cents.

M. S. Williams has been granted a pension of \$8.00 per month.

The Pine Creek Oil Company.

The Pine Creek Oil Company are on the push, they have on the field now a mammoth oil well drilling machine with full equipments.

With many thousands of acres of land leased and charter granted, and men of business capacity and energy, we may look for thorough developments.

That there is oil there has been conclusively proven, as far back as 1828 while parties were drilling for salt stopped because of a dark liquid flowing from the drill hole.

At that time petroleum was unknown and no further investigation was made until 1865 when some parties drilled again and found between 200 and 300 feet, but for want of capital and proper machinery, investigation was again abandoned, but now with men with business ability as John G. McHenry and Ex-sheriff Boyd McHenry, of Benton, Alfred McHenry and C. H. Brittain, of Cambria, and Jerome Kingsley, a Tioga County oil prospector, we may be assured that developments will be pushed to completion.—Independent.

Efficacy of Vaccination.

If anybody doubts the efficacy of vaccination to provide immunity from small pox, he should read an article printed in the current issue of the Medical News, in which the health conditions previous to the day of vaccination are contrasted with those of today. It is well said that we who enjoy the immunity afforded by vaccination can scarcely believe that such ravages were caused by small pox in London as are so graphically described by the historian Macauley, who informs us that it was a rare thing at one time to find a person in that great city not disfigured or marked by the dread disease. When we emerge from the mephitic atmosphere, laden with ignorance, disease and death, of the London of two centuries ago, with its death rate of 80 to the 1,000, into the clear light of sanitary and medical progress of the present time with its death rate of less than 20 to the 1,000 in civilized countries, we feel like one who has passed through some terrible danger, who has been surrounded by invisible and relentless enemies which, happily, have been routed or are being put to flight by the knowledge resulting from experimental science.

CHRISTMAS.

20 DIFFERENT PATTERNS

TOILET ARTICLES TO SELECT FROM.

Sterling Silver, 25c. to \$12 Each.

Complete Desk Sets, Brush and Comb Sets, From \$2 Up.

See my advertisement on page 5.

J. Lee Martin, Jeweler.

Telephone 1842.

Christmas Greetings.

Now For the Holidays.

With the passing of Thanksgiving our thoughts turn toward that great Gift-Giving Day—Christmas—which is only a few weeks away. We've been preparing for the Holiday trade for weeks and weeks—brought the best here for you to select from—useful articles at prices that are sure to tempt you. No trouble finding just what you want at just the price. Never have selections been more beautiful. We urge early buying—the stocks are at their best now, and many of the finest fancies cannot be duplicated.

For a Man's or a Boy's Christmas buy what he is going to buy for himself, if you don't, buy it where he buys—at a man's store.

COME AND SEE OUR

Xmas Haberdashery, Mufflers, Bath Robes, Gloves, Night Robes, Hosiery, Sweaters, Underwear, Silk Handkerchiefs, Collars and Cuffs, Suspenders, Hats, Neckwear, Caps, Shirts, Umbrellas, Dress Cases, Cuff Buttons, Valises, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Trunks, Watch Fobs, Mackintoshes.

BEN GIDDING, THE CLOTHIER.

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

Must Be Vaccinated.

At a meeting of the Bloomsburg School Board, held on Saturday evening a communication from the Board of Health was read, directing attention to the law making vaccination a necessary requisite to the admission of pupils to the public schools. The following resolution was unanimously passed by the Board.

Resolved, That in compliance with the provisions of the Act of June 18th, 1895, the School Directors give notice that no pupils will be admitted to the public schools upon their re-opening, after the holiday vacation, who have not been successfully vaccinated, and that this same action shall apply to teachers also.

H. Bruce Clark continues to improve, and his complete recovery is now considered to be only a question of time.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Nickel Bath Room Fixtures, Nickel Chafing Dishes, Tea Pots, Coffee Pots, Skates, Toy Bedsteads, Parlor Pistols, Sleigh Bells. J. G. WELLS, GENERAL HARDWARE.

The Leader Department Store.

About Our Rug.

Have you sent in your guess yet? Do it to-day. Not many days left!

About Christmas.

Here are a few of our many attractions: BOOKS.—Nothing better for a Christmas present. A pleasant reminder of the giver for the whole year.

\$1.00 Each. \$1.00 Each. \$1.00 Each. "Dri and I," "The Right of Way," "Helmet of Navarre," "Sky Pilot," "Lazarre," "Cavalier," "Crisis" and others.

UMBRELLAS.—Another pleasant reminder! A person can't have too many, at least that's the feeling a man has when he is caught in the rain and his umbrella is not with him. Our stock is large and the quality guaranteed to be just as we represent it. Take our cheapest, for gentlemen—\$1.00. The covering is a mercerized cloth, paragon frame, natural wood handle—a good, strong, substantial article. From this to \$4.00 is a big jump, but we have a half dozen other qualities between. Ladies' Umbrellas range from \$1.25 to \$5.50. These latter are beauties—pearl handle, with Sterling silver trimmings. The covering is Taffeta silk. Between these two extremes there are a dozen different prices and qualities.

HANDKERCHIEFS.—Did you ever know anyone that had too many of these useful and necessary articles? Prices, from 5c. to 50c. We are putting the higher priced ones up in a very artistic box. These latter are very pretty. You cannot get their duplicate at any store in town, as the patterns are private to us. They will add to the attractiveness of your gift, if you are giving handkerchiefs.

TOYS.—The largest line we have ever had. Particularly strong in medium priced goods. Starting at 10c., and from that to \$1.00. Dolls enough to start an orphan asylum.

WE HAVE BOUGHT 1,000 FANCY BOXES

and have divided them into four lots—5c., 10c., 15c., 25c. The biggest value for the money offered in Bloomsburg. You will miss it if you do not look these over.

The Leader Store Co., Ltd., Fourth and Market Sts.,