

FIRST NATIONAL BANK, BLOOMSBURG, PA.

Condensed from Report to the Comptroller at close of business December 30, 1901.

Table with financial data: LOANS AND INVESTMENTS, DUE FROM BANKS, CAS. AND RESERVE, RESOURCES, LIABILITIES, CAPITAL STOCK, Surplus and Undivided Profits, National Bank Notes Outstanding, DUE BANKS, DEPOSITS.

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THE COLUMBIAN.

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TERMS:—Inside the county \$1.00 a year in advance; \$1.50 if not paid in advance.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 1902. City Democrats Lose Delegates.

Chairman Creasy Renders Decision on Representation in State Convention.

State Chairman Creasy has decided that the representation in the next Democratic State convention shall be based on the Democratic vote for Coray and Yerkes at the last election and not on their combined vote by the Democratic and Union parties.

The effect of this decision will be to reduce the representation from Philadelphia from 64, in the last State convention, to 29, in the next convention, or one for each of the 28 Representative districts, with the exception of the Twenty-second, which is entitled to two delegates.

The representation from Allegheny and nearly every other county in the State will also be materially reduced.

Mr. Creasy regrets that the representation in the convention will be reduced by more than 100 delegates, but to avoid possible legal complications he decided to adhere strictly to rule 6, fixing the representation. This rule provides for one delegate for each 1000 Democratic votes and for a majority fraction of 1000 votes, each Representative district to have one vote.

Philadelphia polled only about 10,000 Democratic votes for Coray and Yerkes, but under the proviso authorizing one delegate for each Representative district it gets 29 delegates. Mr. Creasy has advised Chairman Bennett, of the Philadelphia Donnelly-Ryan Democratic city committee, of his decision, with the explanation that it was reached by advice of his attorney, whose name he declines to divulge.

In his opinion on the question Mr. Creasy's attorney says:

"It may be that thousands of Democrats did vote, and undoubtedly they did, for the Union party ticket and for the Union fusion tickets throughout the State, but you ask my opinion as a lawyer, and I give it to you, based on the rules of the party. If you abandon the rules for the purpose of ascertaining a basis of representation at the next State convention you might as well abandon all of them as one."

"There is no method of ascertaining how many Democrats voted for the Union party ticket or how many Republicans. There is no provision for ascertaining any such quota, and certainly the rules of the Democratic party do not contemplate that the chairman or any one else shall count the Republicans that vote that or any other fusion ticket. This may lessen representation in some districts and enlarge it in others, but there is only one course, and that is to be governed by the rules of the party as long as they are in force."

Chairman Creasy explains in his letter to Mr. Bennett that the Union party expects to hold a State convention and claim the right to certificates of nomination, because as a party its candidates polled the necessary percentage.

"Its candidates," Mr. Creasy concludes, "were the same as those of the Democratic party, but in a strict sense were not Democratic candidates under the election law. The same may be said of the Municipal League candidates."

Last Day For Filing Papers.

January 31 is the last day to file certificates of nomination for boroughs and townships. The last day for filing nomination papers for boroughs and townships is February 3d.

Schools and Teachers.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Schaeffer's annual report presents many interesting statistics and some facts of much moment to those interested in the education of our youth.

His assertion that "ward politics, lodge politics, church politics, family politics and sympathy politics" do great harm to the schools is easily susceptible of proof. As Dr. Schaeffer says it is not Democratic or Republican politics that makes the trouble but the several kinds mentioned above.

It is most regrettable that this is so. Personal sympathies are appealed to, personal feelings are excited and personal or selfish reasons generally prevail over proper and wholesome reasons in the selection of teachers and the best purposes of the common school are often thus thwarted. When our directors rid themselves of this "political" selfishness the schools will improve and, as a sequence, the cause of education will be greatly forwarded.

The superintendent also condemns the too common payment of meager salaries to teachers. There can be no good excuse offered for the low salaries paid in many school districts. The legislative appropriation is not a stunted one and with equal liberality shown by the taxpayers of the districts more teachers would adopt the calling as a profession instead of using it simply as a stepping stone to something more profitable if less agreeable.

There are other features of Dr. Schaeffer's report which are quite interesting and the document is well worth the perusal of school directors, teachers and others connected with our state educational institutions.—Patriot.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Owing to the fact that the State Horticultural Association was occupying room No. 1, Court on Tuesday convened in Room No. 2, with Hon. R. R. Little presiding.

Estate of Jacob Schuyler. Exceptions to auditor's report. Order and opinion of Court filed. Exceptions dismissed and report of auditor confirmed absolute.

Estate of M. Louisa Schuyler. Exceptions to auditor's report. Order and opinion of Court filed. Exceptions dismissed and report of auditor confirmed absolute.

Estate of N. C. Campbell. Exceptions to auditor's report. Opinion and order of Court filed. Exceptions sustained. The distribution and auditor's report as changed and modified is confirmed absolute.

Estate of Maria Lowery. Exceptions to auditor's report. Opinion and order of Court filed. Exceptions dismissed and auditor's report confirmed absolute.

Estate of A. C. Freas. Rule upon A. C. Freas, life tenant, to show cause why he should not pay for repairs. Rule discharged.

Estate of C. E. Winner. Exceptions to report of auditor. Opinion and order of Court filed. Certified to Court of Common Pleas to be tried before jury. Dennison Brink to be plaintiff and William Winner defendant, etc.

Abraham Leiby vs. Wm. H. Leiby. Certiorari. Order and opinion of Court filed. The judgment of the justice is reversed.

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.

Berwick Still Booming.

A site for a knitting mill was selected in Berwick by Thomas West of Plymouth one day last week. It appears that Mr. West has had some trouble of late in Plymouth, where his industry is at present located and from present indication this disturbance is going to work to the advantage of our sister town in an industrial way. But it is only one of the many institutions that have joined Berwick's prosperity procession. The people are tickled to death over the prospect. Here is what brother Rasely, of the Enterprise has to say about it. "Yes, we admit it. Things are coming our way, and we're glad of it. We're just as pleased as a child with a new pin-fare. A "boom" is something that doesn't strike you everyday, and many towns haven't the slightest idea of how deliciously pleasant the striking sensation is. They go along in the same old rut, year after year, with never a "boom" to push 'em out of it. Not that it's their fault. No one has any control over a "boom," that is, a real, good, lasting, dyed-in-the-wool "boom" that stays with you year in and year out, through thick and thin. You might gesticulate frantically from now on till doomsday and that wouldn't attract a "boom." "Booms" ain't built that way. They like to saunter 'round and settle down just any old place—at a mining camp, near an oil field or where cars are building. Yes, we've been struck by a "boom," but tell it not in Gath, whisper it not in Goshen, we're expecting another and a harder jolt. We entertain great hopes of a steel plant and what's more, we think we can raise it!"

Farmers' Institutes.

Some Very Interesting Meetings Arranged for Columbia County Agriculturalists.

The attention of our farmers is called to the list of institutes, to be held in this county this winter, by the state department of agriculture, assisted by the local board of institute managers for the county. These meetings are in the interests of all our farmers, and open to all. The expense of conducting them is borne by the state. No collections are allowed or the advertising of any business. The discussions are upon farm topics for the benefit of farmers. Arrange your business so as to attend and take part in the exercises. All classes of citizens are welcome, and interesting programmes have been prepared.

The county chairman is H. V. White, of Bloomsburg, who will be glad to send programs or information to any one who will make the request. The State speakers who will be present are: Hon. Alva Agee, Cheshire, O.; Prof. Chas. A. Browne, Jr., State College, Pa.; Rev. J. D. Detrich, Flourtown, Pa.; F. E. Field, Stonyfork, Pa. The institutes will be held at the following places and on the following dates: Jerseytown, Monday and Tuesday, February 10 and 11; Rev. H. C. Monroe, local chairman; Orangeville, Wednesday and Thursday, February 12 and 13; E. H. Sloan, local chairman; Catawissa, Friday and Saturday, February 14 and 15; Hon. W. T. Creasy, local chairman.

A Slick Thief.

Worked His Game the Other Day at Northumberland—Professes to be an Electrician.

Bloomsburg people will be on the lookout for a new style thief, a fellow with a small satchel and a roll of electric wire, who goes to a house to see about the electric lights or telephones as the case may be. His object is to rob the place. He has been successful in a number of towns but at Northumberland he only gained admission to one house and the lady in this case went with him about the premises to inspect the wires. She began to suspect him before he had gone very far and as soon as he went away she notified the police. But it was too late—he had skipped.

Itching Skin

Distress by day and night—That's the complaint of those who are so unfortunate as to be afflicted with Eczema or Salt Rheum—and outward applications do not cure. They can't.

The source of the trouble is in the blood—make that pure and this scaling, burning, itching skin disease will disappear.

"I was taken with an itching on my arms which proved very disagreeable. I concluded it was salt rheum and bought a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla. In two days after I began taking it I felt better and it was not long before I was cured. Have never had any skin disease since." Mrs. Ida E. Ward, Cove Point, Md.

Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pills rid the blood of all impurities and cure all eruptions.

TOWN MATTERS.

Hereafter Each Fire Co. Must Have Fifteen Members in Good Standing.

The business pertaining to the town, which accumulated since the last meeting in the old year, was given attention by Council Thursday evening. F. B. Hartman was not present when President Ikeler called the meeting to order.

Mr. Deiffenbach was the first to speak. He reported that gutters on Iron Street, between Fourth and Fifth, is in bad condition. The same was referred to Street Committee.

In the matter of fire hose, the secretary was instructed to notify company from which it was purchased that hose is unsatisfactory.

The ordinance relating to cleaning snow and ice from pavement, was passed and will hereafter be enforced.

The Secretary was instructed to issue an order for \$506.41 in payment of the Walp damages.

In relation to paying the committee appointed in the Walp matter, the Finance Committee agreed that Mr. Cherrington should be paid \$25.00 for his services and Mr. Sharpless \$15.00. On motion duly seconded the above amounts were directed to be paid and carried.

In the matter of the Bittenbender tax duplicates, President Ikeler stated that Mr. Bittenbender's bondsmen for the 1895-96 duplicates had informed him that they would be paid in the near future. On motion duly seconded the Secretary was instructed to notify the bondsmen of Mr. Bittenbender that said duplicates must be settled on or before Feby. 1, 1902.

In regard to the Tax Duplicate of 1901, President Ikeler stated that Tax Collector Kase refuses to take same. The matter was referred to the Solicitor and if in his opinion the Collector can refuse to take duplicate then a special meeting is to be called to take action looking to the appointment of some one else.

Friendship and Good Will Fire Company of the Second Ward asked for the annual appropriation of \$75.00 from the Town. On motion duly seconded the same to be paid and carried.

Report of lights read and referred to the Committee on Lights.

Minutes of Fire Board's meeting read asking President of Council to appoint the Chief of Fire Department for ensuing year. President Ikeler refused to make the appointment and stated that in his opinion the whole Council should act upon it.

On motion duly seconded that the resolution of Fire Board be referred back to that body and that they be requested to pass a resolution suspending the sections of the Constitution relative to the election of officers for this year and proceed to elect officers for the ensuing year in the usual manner. Carried.

Fire Chief reported tool box in Winona hose cart in bad condition and asked permission to have same repaired. Granted.

Members of Friendship Fire Company report that sewer pipe leading from Winona Fire Co's room needs inspection. Referred to Street Commissioner with power to act.

Mr. Webb stated that in his opinion each fire company should have a certain number of members in good standing, the secretary of each company to submit a sworn statement to Council in relation to same; that in case the membership of any company fall below a certain number, the amount of appropriation to such company be reduced or withheld. On motion duly seconded fifteen was fixed as the number in good standing each company must have, and statements to be handed to the President of Council on or before the second Monday in June and December of each year. Carried.

On motion duly seconded if Fire Board suspend by-laws for this year they may proceed to hold their election of officers.

It was decided that officers in the fire departments shall retain their trusts until successors are elected. Carried.

Street Commissioner Neyhard stated that the connection with the sewer at the Carpet Mill is open and that foreign substances of large size are thrown in and unless practice is discontinued it will result in blocking

TOWNSEND'S Clearing Out Sale.

BIG BARGAINS

In All Winter

CLOTHING.

MUST BE SOLD

To Make Room For

SPRING GOODS

Come early and see the Bargains at

Townsend's CLOTHING STORE.

THE

Muslin & Underwear Sale THIS WEEK.

Experience proves to us that these yearly special sales are most satisfactory to our buying public. The reasons why they are satisfactory are: First—We plan for them and buy for them on an extensive scale. Second—We very materially shorten our legitimate profit on the lines advertised, and by so doing largely increase the volume of business. We would emphasize the fact that every garment is made of good materials, well put together, and generously sized, and we sell them at a much less price than you can get them as the season advances.

10c.—This lot contains plain and trimmed Corset Covers, Children's Drawers. 10c.

10c.—Ladies' Muslin Drawers, full size, three tucks. Only one to a customer. 10c.

25c.—Corset Covers, Gowns, Cambric, Umbrella Drawers, Muslin Drawers, tucked and trimmed with Hamburg Edge. 25c.

49c.—Gowns, tucked and trimmed with inserting, Corset Covers, Drawers and Skirts, trimmed with lace and Hamburg. 49c.

75c.—Four different style Gowns, nicely trimmed, Corset Cover elaborately trimmed, Cambric Skirt, deep Umbrella flounce, hemstitched. 75c.

98c.—Four different style Gowns, two different style Drawers, two different style Skirts, made of Cambric, trimmed with fine laces and embroidery. 98c.

\$1.48—Three different style Gowns and three different style Skirts, made of fine Cambric and trimmed elegantly with fine lace and embroidery. \$1.48.

Flannelette.

We put on sale, this week, 15 pieces of fine Flannelettes, worth 17c., but we sell them this week at 10c. a yard.

Muslin.

We are selling bales of muslin these days. If you need any don't put it off. This week will end these cheap Muslins.

10 yards Unbleached Muslin, 42c., 10 yards for 50c., 10 yards for 59c., 10 yards for 66c. 10 yards Bleached Muslin for 50c., 10 yards for 75c. As good as Hill's.

Furniture.

Furniture has been advanced by the factories at least 10 per cent. We will sell, for one week, at the old prices. If you need any soon, place your order at once and you will save money.

Coats and Capes.

We are selling coats fast at the low prices we offer them at. You have the coldest part of the winter ahead of you. At the prices we offer them you cannot afford to go around cold.

F. P. PURSEL.

Prohibition Convention.

The Prohibition Party of Columbia County will meet in convention in Light Street on Wednesday the 22nd for the transaction of such business as may come before the convention. An address will be delivered in the M. E. Church by Miss Dornblazer of Williamsport, at 3 o'clock P. M., at the close of which the place of holding the caucus will be announced.

W. J. BIDLEMAN, Secy.

Mother advertisement: "My mother was troubled with consumption for many years. At last she was given up to die. Then she tried Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and was speedily cured." D. P. Jolly, Avoca, N. Y. No matter how hard your cough or how long you have had it, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is the best thing you can take. It's too risky to wait until you have consumption. If you are coughing today, get a bottle of Cherry Pectoral at once.