

THE COLUMBIAN. BLOOMSBURG, PA.

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Silk Mill Picnic.

The fourth annual picnic of the employees of the Bloomsburg Silk Mill will be held at Shawnee Park, Lime Ridge on Saturday, July 26, 1902.

Among the other attractions are: Merry-go-round, Shooting Gallery, Bowling Alley, Swings and seats throughout the park, in addition to tables, make it an ideal place.

Fare for the round trip from Bloomsburg, 15c.; from Berwick, 15c.; from Catawissa, 30c.

Tickets will be sold by the Committee at the corner of East and Fifth streets and Market and Main on the morning of the picnic.

The committee of arrangement is as follows: S. H. Harman, President; R. S. Pugh, Secretary; H. Sommers, Treasurer; T. J. Morris, Chairman; R. B. Hartzell, A. W. Hagemeyer, J. Girtou, C. Christman, C. Foye, D. A. Leiby, H. Reppert.

Gone From Earthly Cares.

Mrs. Lydia Schoch, an estimable lady of Selinsgrove, and mother of our townsman A. Z. Schoch, died from diseases incumbent upon advanced years at her home in the town above mentioned early Sunday morning.

Drilling to be Resumed.

Work at the Fairmount Springs oil well will be resumed in a week or two. The contractor, Mr. William C. Shear and Supt. James Rickerson have bought the stock held by D. C. Brittain and will offer it to the general public.

Saw Her Husband Killed.

Emanuel M. Metzger was killed in mid-air by electricity at Williamsport Thursday morning of last week, while his wife looked on, powerless to render any assistance.

The Hazleton item is no more. The publication died a natural death last week.

A number of our young people will attend a dance at Danville this evening.

The Methodist picnic planned for today has been postponed till tomorrow on account of rain.

The Republican conference will meet again at Sunbury this afternoon to choose, if the dead-lock can be broken, a candidate for congress, it is altogether likely that a nomination will be made today.

Bear in mind the festival to be held tomorrow night and Saturday night by the Liberty Fire Company.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Wilson of South Market Street, has been quite ill for several days with cholera infantum.

"Anarchy and annexation of Cuba" says General Fitzhugh Lee. Nothing very pleasant for the United States, in this prediction.

The Brotherhood of St. Paul's will hold a festival on the evening of Thursday July 24th at the Parish House. The Bloomsburg band will render choice music during the evening.

Arthur Traub had his nose broken while chopping wood Tuesday evening. It appears that he was swinging the axe over his shoulder when it came in contact with a clothes line and rebounded striking him on the nose.

As a remedy against cabbage worms mix a tablespoonful of red pepper, one of black pepper and one of ground yellow mustard with a pound of wheat flour. Once a week dust each cabbage with the prepared flour while the plants are moist with dew.

Mt. Holly, near Carlisle, has the most popular park in the state. It has a picnic scheduled for every day in July and nineteen for August. It is indeed a charming retreat.

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J. W. Hidlay has tendered his resignation as the local agent of the Adams Express Company to take effect just as soon as the company selects a man to take his place.

There will be a festival and chicken supper held at McHenry's M. E. Church in Orange township, on the evening of Saturday July 26, 1902.

Under the new pension law all pensioners under the general law are entitled to an increase of \$10 per month. All pensioners under the act of June 27, 1890, who are blind and disabled so that they require the frequent though not constant attendance of another person, are entitled to \$30 per month.

S. R. Bidleman has been awarded the contract to furnish the supplies for the public schools of town during the coming term. The bids were opened at a meeting of the School Board held Tuesday evening and Mr. Bidleman's found to be the lowest.

The historic camelback bridge which spans the Susquehanna river at Harrisburg is soon to be sold to the highest bidder for the lumber that is in it. The bridge was badly damaged by the spring floods and will be replaced by a modern steel structure.

Arrangements for the Centennial are progressing satisfactorily. All the committees are at work. Decorations, fireworks, invitations, special attractions, privileges &c. have been definitely decided upon, and other details are being rapidly arranged.

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The above improvements are actuated on account of the coming centennial, a very commendable spirit in our citizens.

President Townsend made a statement that the Court had requested Council to investigate the Irondale matter, and he in his opinion, concluded that Council should instruct Street Commissioner Neyhard to survey the road, prepare specifications and advertise for bids to arrive at the approximate cost.

Chief of the Fire Department, John Fortner, stated to Council that the Electric Light pole corner of Main and Penn streets obstructed the free use of the fire plug at that point. Council ordered the Electric Light Company to move said pole so that it will not in the future interfere.

SPECIAL MEETING.

Monday night's special meeting was called for the purpose of considering the petitions presented at the regular meeting in regard to paving Main street. Solicitor William Chrisman stated that the Town in his opinion could not proceed in the matter under the act of 1889, as that law related to Boroughs.

An ordinance will now be passed by Council and a new petition circulated among the property owners for their signatures, after which the Town Engineer will prepare specifications for the guidance of bidders. There will be no delay after the work is started.

There was quite a number of interested ones present at the meeting and the consensus of opinion expressed was in favor of the work being done entirely by the Town, the property owners to pay their share of the expense afterward.

The privilege asked for by the petition presented in the name of the First National Bank by E. F. Carpenter at the previous meeting, of paving in front of the bank was granted.

The Columbia and Montour Electric Railway Company was not represented at the meeting, but ordinance No. 108, passed June 13th of last year, provides that the company shall bear the expense of paving nine feet of the street. Section 6 of said ordinance reads as follows:

"It is provided that should the municipal authorities of the Town, at any time hereafter, direct the streets occupied by the said railway to be paved with Belgium blocks, vitrified brick or any other form of permanent pavement, that then and in such case, the said railway company shall at once and at their own expense, pave two feet outside of each rail thereof, and the space between the rails, with such pavement as shall be directed."

This leaves thirty-three feet to be paved by the Town and the property owners, sixteen and a half feet by each.

A petition by residents on south side of Fourth street, West of Jefferson, requesting Council to order pavements laid. Petition granted.

PICNIC.

The Lutheran Sunday School of Bloomsburg will go to Hunter's Park near Danville on Thursday, July 24. Hunter's Park is a beautiful grove of pine trees of about 60 acres, located between Danville and Maudsle, part of which is cleared for picnic purposes and well supplied with tables, seats, swings, an excellent well of water and a large covered pavilion to accommodate 1000 people in case of storm.

There will be a musical program by Schwarz's Orchestra, and two games of base ball by classes in the school, and the following contests: One legged race, sack race, peanut race, water melon race, stone throwing and pulling; also quots and up jenkins, etc.

A cordial invitation is extended to members of other churches and the public in general. Fare: for adults, 35 cents. Children under 12 years 20c. In case of storm the excursion will go on the day following.

The water in the river has resumed its old level.

FOUR ROADS SETTLE

A Portion of the Striking Freight Handlers at Work.

VICTORY FOR ARBITRATION BOARD.

Other Roads Centering at Chicago Will Probably Agree With the Strikers, Thus Ending a Long Struggle.

CHICAGO, July 16.—With agreements reached between four railroads and their employees, the great strike of the freight handlers and teamsters that has paralyzed the industries of Chicago for a week is apparently broken. A majority of the strikers returned to work this morning.

The four railroads that have entered into agreements with their men are the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern, the Chicago and Northwestern, the Nickel Plate and the Illinois Central. Of the four the Northwestern and the Illinois Central accepted the proposition made upon advice of the teamsters' board of arbitration.

The freight handlers return to work without having obtained recognition of their union, time and a half for overtime or the abolishment of the probation period. On the other hand, the freight handlers have obtained increases in pay, the smallest one being 25 cents a day, procured by the truckers.

While the signing of the agreements breaks the strike, it does not end it. It is still in progress as far as twenty of the twenty-four railroads in the city are concerned. President Curran and a few of his supporters are still unreconciled and state they will not recognize any of the agreements.

The adjustment of the controversy was brought about by Chairman Job of the state board of arbitration. The basis of the settlement for wages was:

Check, transfer and receiving clerks for first three months, \$55; check, transfer and receiving clerks after first three months, \$60; delivery clerks for first three months, \$50, and after that period \$55; stokers per hour for first three months, 18 cents, and after three months 18 1/2 cents; callers for first three months, 17 cents, and after that 18 cents per hour; truckers per hour for first three months, 15 cents, and after three months 17 cents.

WASHINGTON, July 11.—The receipts of the fifty largest postoffices of the United States for June were \$4,478,308, a gain of \$572,822, or 14 per cent, over the receipts for June, 1901.

New York city heads the list with a total of \$943,567, a gain of almost 13 per cent. Chicago showed a gain of almost 20 per cent. Dayton, O., leads all cities in the percentage of gain, 78 increase over June, 1901, being over 40 per cent. Columbus, O., follows, with a gain of over 38 per cent.

A Million Dollar Packing House.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., July 11.—Plans have been drawn and the capital provided for the erection in Louisville of a million dollar packing house plant which will make a feature of dressing spring lambs for the eastern market and will also dress hogs and cattle. The plant will occupy three acres adjoining the Central stockyards, and the interests promoting it are almost identical with the ownership of the stockyards.

No Clue to Tracy.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 16.—The posses are without a clue to Tracy's whereabouts. Sheriff Cuddehe's orders for all deputies in the outlying districts to report at his office in Seattle is being obeyed slowly. Sheriff Cuddehe himself remains at Ravensdale with a small posse. Absolutely nothing is being done by the posses toward continuing the search.

Secretary Root at West Point.

WEST POINT, N. Y., July 16.—Secretary of War Root arrived here unheralded and is in conference with Colonel Mills, the superintendent, in connection with the expenditure of the \$5,000,000 recently appropriated by congress for new buildings and improvements at the Military academy.

Poles Buying American Machinery.

BERLIN, July 14.—A private dispatch received here from Warsaw says the agricultural societies of Poland are negotiating with American manufacturers direct for the purchase of machinery, excluding the German middlemen. This step is believed to be aimed also at German machinery.

Boers Reach New York.

NEW YORK, July 15.—Among the passengers who arrived by the steamer Pretoria from Bermuda were 108 Boers who had been prisoners there.

Salonika Again Shaken.

THERAPIA, European Turkey, July 15.—Another severe shock of earthquake is reported to have occurred at Salonika.

New Summer Goods Less Than Regular Prices.

Parasols Have been selling at \$4.50 and \$5.00 each. A small lot only one of a kind, reduced to \$3.39 each.

3.95 Parasols Reduced to 2.59

Another small lot of different kinds and colors. Reduced just when wanted.



Facts Concerning Luzerne and Columbia Counties' Oil Fields.

In Tuesday's issue of the Wilkes-Barre Record, William C. Shear has the following to say about the existence of petroleum in Luzerne and Columbia counties:

"There are a few facts that the people of Luzerne and Columbia counties ought to know in regard to petroleum. They have the same formation and conditions that exist in all other oil fields. They have in Fairmount township, Luzerne county, an expert counterpart of the Bradford oil field and the Cattaraugus field of New York. The Fairmount well, No. 2, has a depth of 900 feet or more; formation as follows: Ground 52 feet; hard brown rock, 10 feet; then red shale in alternate layers, 469 feet. In the above 469 feet we find red shale, fresh water sands and salt water sands. At a depth of 472 feet we find seventeen feet of salt water sand, nearly as much salt as brine. There is salt water over all oil fields. At 872 feet we strike first oil sand. This sand is forty-five feet thick and carries a good oil smell, but has no salt water in it. I consider this as good a showing as I have ever had in any oil field where oil has been found and my experience has not been limited, as I have drilled for twenty-five years past in the best fields of Pennsylvania. In regard to the Bradford oil fields there are nearly 28,000 wells in it. This field has been in operation for the past twenty-five years and it is still a valuable investment. The average well produces twenty to twenty-five barrels of oil per day and lasts from thirty to thirty-five years. Many of these wells have produced oil enough in one day to pay the whole cost of the well. The Bradford oil field is valued at \$100,000,000 at the present time and I believe that the Fairmount field will be its equal."

Bishop Potter to be Married.

The engagement is announced of Right Rev. Henry C. Potter, bishop of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of New York, to Mrs. Alfred Corning Clark, of New York, and Cooperstown, N. Y. Bishop Potter is in Europe, and is not expected back until late in the summer. It is said that the date of the marriage has not been set, but that it will be probably arranged for the early winter.

Mrs. Clark, who is very wealthy, was Miss Elizabeth Scriven, and has been known as a philanthropic woman. She is a member of the Barnard club and the National Art society, and resides at the family residence, Eighty-ninth street and Riverside Drive, one of the "show places" of the drive.

Mrs. Clark's husband inherited nearly \$35,000,000 from his father, Edward Clark. Since the death of Alfred Corning Clark, in 1896, the estate has enhanced in value.

Will Supply the Desks.

The Bloomsburg School Furnishing Company has been awarded the contract by the School Board of Harrisburg for furnishing their rooms with desks.

Try a bottle of J. E. Roys' "Universal" combined toning and fixing solution. It is the best on the market. You buy it at first cost, 8 ounce bottle 20c.

Wash Dress Goods

These goods we have bought at special prices and are all of this season styles. 18c. Dimities and Swisses at 12 1-2 cents a yard.

25 Pieces Batiste 6 1/2 c. yd. wide goods, new patterns and all colors. Have been selling at 8 and 10c yd. This lot 6 1-2c. a yard.



Centennial Envelopes.

The envelopes ordered by the Centennial committee have arrived and orders for them may be left at this office. The prices are as follows: 1000, \$3.50; 500, \$1.80; 250, \$1.00. This includes printing business card in the corner.

William Guernsey, the piano tuner of Wilkes-Barre, will be in Bloomsburg, the balance of this week. Orders may be left at the COLUMBIAN office.

Following are the teachers elected by the School Board of Beaver township: No. 1, Morris Singly; No. 2, Hattie James; No. 3, C. Z. Schlicher; No. 4, Martha Schlicher; No. 5, Stella Shuman; No. 6, George Michael; No. 7, John Traub.

Didn't Like the Substitute.

Mrs. Hoyle—My husband is never satisfied. Mrs. Doyle—Neither is mine; he has always kicked because he couldn't find his collar button, and now he has a wart on the back of his neck, but he isn't satisfied with that.—N. Y. Times.

Dealing in Futures.

Bess—Is it true that young Simkins offered himself to you last night? Nell—He did. Bess—And did you accept him? Nell—Well, not exactly—but I have an option on him for ten days.—Chicago Daily News.

Rebound.

Mrs. Blusterby—Mrs. De Boaster says that no man can be a gentleman unless he has a college education. Mr. Blusterby—Well, that only proves that women who have college educations are not necessarily ladies.—Puck.

What Johnny Thought.

"What does Gabriel Grubb mean, auntie?" "Gabriel Grubb is a character in one of Dickens' Christmas Stories." "O, I thought maybe it was another name for angel food cake."—Chicago American.

Mamma's Views.

The Coquette—He thinks I am to blame for giving him so much encouragement. Her Mother—Oh, well, a man vot gifts such lofly presents must expect to get encouragement.—Brooklyn Life.

Hard Luck.

Hewitt—It's sad about Gruet losing his leg in that railroad accident. Jewett—Yes; it must be a great disappointment to him; he was always talking about "getting there with both feet."—Brooklyn Life.

Counting Them.

"Mr. Woody Witte says that there are only eight jokes in the world." "I should never have suspected from his efforts to amuse," answered Miss Cayenne, languidly, "that he had found so many."—Washington Star.

Seat of the Trouble.

"I'm entirely worn-out, doctor," said the barber, who had called at the office of the physician. "Let me see your tongue," said the doctor, who never shaved himself.—Yonkers Statesman.

The Kind Hobby Wanted.

She—I want a new cover for Bella's piano; can you suggest anything, dear? He—Yes; can't you find one which is hermetically sealed?—Yonkers Statesman.

Appropriately Named.

Church—I see that Texan has called his new oil well "The Senator." Wonder why he gave it that name? Gotham—Because it is such a "spouter," I suppose.—Yonkers Statesman.