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COURT STOPS BOND DELIVERY.

County Commissioners Restrained From Placing the Mifflinville Bridge Bonds With J. N. Thompson, at Par.

Notwithstanding the claim of the commissioners that they had a legal right to act as they did in placing the \$96,000 issue of county Numedia who have long been suf-bonds necessitated by the construc- fering from the almost weekly tion of the new bridge over the the transaction has met with an visitation of the gang the farmers obstacle in the shape of proceedings instituted against the County Com- mutual protection. A fund was missioners, J. N. Thompson and the Farmers' National Bank. M. A. Bibby of Catawissa is the com-bibly of Catawissa is the co plainant in the suit, and John G. Freeze, Ikeler & Ikeler and Wm. C. Johnston are his counsel.

To print the entire bill of complaint would take up entirely too form of the affidavits to which are Bogart.

G. H. Sharpless, being sworn, says: "that according to the best of Commissioners of Columbia Counper centum; that this award was

IN THE CLUTCHES OF THE LAW. The Gang of Horse Thieves Which Has Been **Operating in the Vicinity of Numedia** for Some Time Past Has Been Apprehended.

Relief has at last come to the farmers living in the vicinity of depredations of a gang of horse banded themselves together for plans were laid, and everybody was instructed to keep a close watch on every suspicious looking

character that might invade the A. Z. SCHOCH, PRESIDENT. neighborhood, either by day or much space in our paper. We night. For a few days the vigil publish herewith, however, the would be strict, then the farmers would grow careless and the next affixed the names of county audi- morning they would awake to find tors G. H. Sharpless and William another favorite charger missing. All efforts to catch, or even get on track of the gang were futile, until on Tuesday of last week, when his knowledge, information and Abraham Berger, of Mt. Carmel, belief, William Krickbaum, W. H and Mike Sabus, evidently the ring Fisher and Nehemiah Kitchen, leaders of the outfit, were arrested Commissioners of Columbia Coun-ty, have awarded and are about to Shamokin Dam. It appears that deliver to J. N. Thompson, indi-vidually, or as cashier of the Far-mers' National Bank, of Blooms Aristes, a small village near Cenburg, \$96,000 of county bonds, tralia, in Columbia County. The bearing interest at 4 per centum per horse they drove was very lame annum, without tax, for the sum of and was otherwise injured. Dr. \$96,000; when in fact said bonds Kauffman, a veterinary surgeon, of are worth a premium of about four Ashland, was called to see the per centum; that this award was animal. That night the two men made in collusion and bad faith, left, but came back the next mornfor less than the market value of said bonds, without opportunity being given other proposed bidders, although the same had expressed a desire to purchase at a premium; enought to satisfy his mind that that the said County Commissioners, they were horse thieves. From knew at the time of the award that several things that was said during the bonds were worth more than the interrogation Dr. Kauffman par and that "responsible parties surmised that the thieves, at least were willing to give a premium therefor, and that if the said bonds are delivered, as aforesaid, for the Before he could notify the officers sum of \$96,000, the County and Berger and Sabus skipped out, the taxpayers thereof will be great-leaving the two horses behind.

Iy injured and damaged. And the affiant says that such of the above facts as he has personal knowledge of, are true, and that as to those of which he has been to those of tho Shamokin Dam, but during the day they could not locate the men they wanted. Being satisfied, however, that they were somewhere in the community, they remained over night. Tuesday morning early they saw the pair making their way across the river from sunbury in a row boat, and afterwards arrested them at the go.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Bloomsburg National Bank

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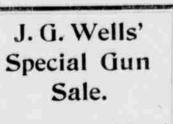
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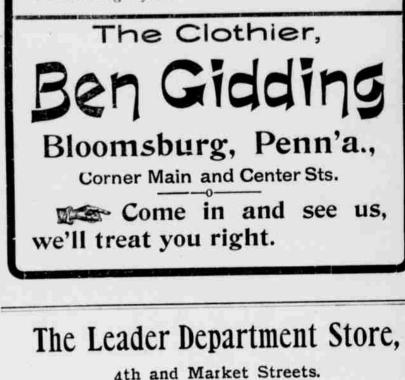
ELIAS REIOHARD. The death of Elias Reichard, aged

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to be true."

(Signed) G. H. SHARPLESS, County Auditor.

Judge Little on Thursday afternoon granted a preliminary injunction restraining William Krickbaum, William H. Fisher and Nehemiah Kitchen, Commissioners of Columbia County, from issuing, executing or delivering to J. N. Thompson, individually or as cashier, or to the Farmers' National Bank of Bloomsburg, Pa., any of the issue of the \$96,000 of the aforesaid bonds of Columbia County under and by virtue of the offer of the said J. N. Thompson and the award thereon.

The order of the court in the matter is as follows:

And now, September 11, 1902, on reading within bill and injunction affidavits, and on motion of solicitors for plaintiff, it is hereby ordered and decreed that William Krickbaum, William H. Fisher and Nehemiah Kitchen, Commissioners of Columbia County, and their successors, or any of them, or any one for them, be, and they are hereby enjoined and restrained from issuing, executing or delivering to J N. Thompson, or the Farmers' National Bank, of Bloomsburg, or to J. N. Thompson, cashier of said bank, or to any one for him or them, any of the issue of \$96,000 of the coupon bonds of the County of Columbia, heretofore awarded under and by virtue of the resolution of said County Commissioners, as of September 2, 1902.

And September 15, 1902, at two o'clock p. m., at the Court House, in Bloomsburg, is fixed as the time and place of preliminary hearing, when and where motions will be entertained to continue or dissolve the injunction herein granted.

On account of the enforced abcounsel the hearing was postponed 18th at two o'clock p. m.

Democratic candidate for congress, Chas. H. Dickerman, of Milton is leaders and meeting the voters.

Chiet Morgan said he was only after the gray horse of William Rarig's, which had been stolen near

animal at Millersburg. The officers then took the guilty pair to Millersburg, where the stolen horse was recovered. The pair were then placed in the lock-up at Mt. Carmel. Sheriff Daniel Knorr and ex-Sheriff William Black went to Mt. Carmel on Wednesday expecting to bring the prisoners back and put them in jail here, but the authori- ton, Pa. ties there would not give them up until the animal for the theft of which they had been arrested, had been seen and identified by its owner Mr. Rarig, and the sheriff was obliged to return home empty handed. Later in the day Mr. Rarig went to Mt. Carmel and town, assisted by a constable took the prisoners to Locust township and turned them over to Constable

J. L. Stein, who brought them to Bloomsburg and placed them in jail. It is that when the Mount Carmel officers and the prisoners arrived at Numedia some wild scenes were enacted. Feeling ran high for a while and lynching was sence from town of some of the threatened. As most of the thefts have been committed in Columbia to Thursday afternoon September and Schuylkill Counties, the prisoners will likely be tried in either of those counties.

Berger has a record as a horse thief. He was released from the in town conferring with the party Northumberland County Prison only four months ago, having serv-

Waters, of that place, went to horses, which he took from the barn of Silas Pensyl, of Elysburg. He drove one horse to death on the way to Philadelphia and the other was recovered.

Old Veterans Will Meet-

The Columbia County Veteran Association will hold its seventh annual reunion at Shawnee Park holy profession. He is survived by Ferry House. Berger and his pal were frightened badly and promised big day for the old soldiers and to give the officers all of the horses many pleasant reminiscences of the sickness the neighbors were very kind they had if they would leave them days of '61 will be exchanged. for which they have the sincere thanks The complete program for the day

> follows: All soldiers will be met by the

Reception Committee and conduct-Numidia. One of the two thieves ed to headquarters, at Auditorium confessed that they had sold the in Park, where they will be enrolled and receive badges.

Business meeting in auditorium, to:30 a. m., opened by prayer by Rev. W. H. Stover.

Reading of minutes of last meeting.

Address of welcome, by W. C. Johnston.

Response, by J. T. Howe, Scran-

Treasurer's Report. Choosing place of next meeting. Election of officers. Adjourn for dinner.

The parade will form on Main street, at corner of Ferry, at 1:30 p. m., and be led by the Lime at her home on Catharine Street Ridge Cornet Band. The line of Sunday evening. She was aged claimed the animal, after which march will be down Main to Chief of Police Morgan of that Lochiel, out Lochiel to Second, up Second to Ferry, down Ferry to Her kindly disposition won many Water, out Water to Park.

Meeting called to order in auditorium after parade. Music by band,

Prayer by Rev. Hartman. Singing by P. O. S. of A. quar-

tette, of Berwick, Pa. Address by Rev. Smith. Singing by quartette, Address by Hon. Fred Ikeler. Music by the band. Address by Rev. Hemingway. Singing by the quartette. Music by the band. H. H. HETLER, President. GEORGE LEE, Vice President. W. R. PRICE, Secretary. J. H. HUGHES, Treasurer.

60 years, 11 months and 20 days occurred at his home in Orangeville on Sept. 7th. The deceased was an experienced and successful farmer. As a man he was noted for his push and energy. In his intercourse with his fellowmen he was truthful and honest. As a neighbor he was kind and sympathetic. As a Christian he endeavorad to be consistant with his the widow and a daughter, Mrs. Jasper Poust. During his protracted of the family.

Pattirson and Guthrie Coming-

Democracy will have an outpouring on Thursday October 8th. State Chairman William T. Creasy 15 arranging to have Robert E. Pattison candidate for governor and George W. Guthrie, candidate for lieutenant governor, here on that day. It is also expected that Hon. James A. Stranaham of Harrisburg and Hon. John H. Low, of Philadelphia, will be present also. Mr. Pattison, if he comes will no doubt make a speech at the fair grounds, and a public meeting will be held in the evening.

Death From Typhoid Fever.

Miss Maud Werkheiser, a two week's victim of typhoid fever, died twenty-one years, and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Werkheiser. friends, and her untimely end is mourned by all. The funeral, conducted by Rev. M. E. McLinn, took place yesterday. The remains were taken to Swenoda for burial.

Pennsy Men Must Pay up.

Employees of the Pennsylvania railroad must pay their debts hereafter or forfeit their positions. They have no alternative in the matter and if the money for just debts is not paid within a reasonable time the railroad will cease to continue the men's names on the pay rolls. Such is an order sent out from Philadelphia. All divisions have received the manifesto and all must act accordingly.



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