

First National Bank, Bloomsburg, Pa.

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Statement of Condition September 15, '02.

RESOURCES.	
Loans	\$294,144.47
U. S. Bonds	50,000.00
Banking House	27,560.43
Stocks and Securities	183,706.75
Cash & due from Banks & U.S. Tr.	109,217.53
Total	\$664,629.18
LIABILITIES.	
Capital	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	125,000.00
Undivided Profits	11,067.24
Circulation	50,000.00
Deposits	428,561.94
Total	\$664,629.18

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TO THE VOTERS OF COLUMBIA COUNTY.

For three years I have been the Chairman of the Democratic party of this county and during that time I spent my time and money for the success of it. I have always been loyal to the Democratic party and its candidates. It is a feeling of gratitude that I can say that my duty to the party has always been performed without fear or favor and for the best of interest of the whole party.

During the time I was Chairman of the Democratic party no democratic nominee of this county met defeat at the polls. This I attribute to the fact that I always turned a deaf ear to the Benedict Arnolds and party wreckers and I am sorry to say that the party contains far too many of them. It would no doubt be interesting reading to the voters to know of all the unfair deals and party wreckers' suggestions but for the present purpose I deem it but necessary to call your attention to one of their vicious schemes.

It is almost beyond the belief of any one to know how many schemes are devised by these party roosters to defeat men who have been honestly nominated and sometimes even try to defeat the will of the people after the nominations are made.

The vicious scheme to which I want to call your attention at this time is the circulation over this county of the evidence on the part of W. H. Fisher in his contest case; only the evidence on the part of Fisher was printed. Let me ask why did these party wreckers not publish the whole evidence?

Because they cannot be fair. The whole matter was set up against your county chairman because he was honest with you and stood by the nominations you made with the ballots at the primary election.

I most emphatically deny that I ever made the declaration that the ballots were printed for the purpose of defeating W. H. Fisher or any other candidates. The ballots were printed just as they were for the former primary election under the same rules as amended, and they were printed as I understood the rules and as I understood them after consulting older members of my profession.

The evidence circulated concerning the Fisher contest if you will read it as a whole will disclose to you that it was not for the purpose of placing W. H. Fisher on the ticket but for the purpose of accomplishing my defeat. This was most unfair and you will be willing to concede it. I am quite sure that this job would not have been set up against me if I could have been used by the Benedict Arnolds of the Democratic party of this county. But I made the declaration in the face of all requests, "Whoever is nominated at the primary election will so be returned to the convention." "I will be no party to defraud any man out of his nomination."

It was because I was loyal to you in carrying out the wishes of your ballots that I was the victim of defeat.

For this I have nothing to regret because I know that I performed my duty and nothing but that.

Fellow voters, money was offered to me for blank election returns between the primary election on June 7th and the convention on June 10th. I immediately took all the unused election supplies, placed them in the vault of the Bloomsburg National Bank where they remained until after the convention.

If anyone wants to verify this inquire of the officers of this Bank. It was for the refusal of your county chairman to become a traitor to his party and its nominees that he was defeated. But let me say to you that I would rather be defeated than to stand in the shoes of any one of the Benedict Arnolds of the Democratic party who brought it about.

With all the money, deals, Quay-henchmen, Benedict Arnolds of democracy and all the lies, and slanders circulated about me I was defeated by the small majority of 154 votes.

Notwithstanding my defeat I congratulate the democracy of Columbia county that 3212 voters gave me their loyal support.

In conclusion I want to say that I do not make this statement because I was defeated; but because I want to make the citizens of this county feel that honest men must begin to do something in the direction of displacing from the political chess-board of this county these party roosters and all those who become their tools.

Is it not time to act when man's private and professional characters are being attacked because they cannot be used for unfair political purposes?

I have been informed by a number of my friends that all kinds of lies, slanders and vicious stories were told about me especially on the south side of the river. If the people would have stopped to think for themselves and asked these political pirates how much they were getting for their dirty work it might have put the blush of shame on some of their faces.

Men who lend themselves to such a purpose as this I consider to be a dangerous class of citizens in any community. I hold these men to rob their neighbor of his best property, his character; for he who goes about and talks ill of his neighbor is a man without a character, he is a man a type of his own; but in reality he is less than nothing.

Let me just add that he who goes about talking ill of others is after your pocket-book. Watch him. He who boasts about his character and religion has neither.

I desire to thank all my friends for their loyal support and I will promise to them that I shall always be found supporting my party and its candidates.

Very respectfully,
CHRISTIAN A. SMALL.
Catawissa, Pa., November 10th, 1902.

Read Your Home Paper.

The local paper should be found in every home. No children should grow up ignorant who can be taught to appreciate the home paper. It is said to be the stepping stone of intelligence in all those matters not to be learned in books. Give your children a foreign paper which contains not one word about any person, place or thing, which they ever saw or perhaps ever heard of, and how could you expect them to be interested? But let them have the home paper and read of people whom they meet and of places with which they are familiar, and soon an interest is awakened which increases with every arrival of the local paper. Thus a habit of reading is formed and those children will read the papers all their lives, and become intelligent men and women and a credit to their ancestors and strong in the knowledge of the world as it is today.

THE OFFICIAL VOTE FOR CONGRESS. Billmeyer Leads Lord 2515 Votes.—Dicker-man's Majority Over Godcharles is 848.

The return judges of this Congressional district met at Stribury on Tuesday. Columbia county was represented at the meeting by D. R. Coffman. The other representatives were: J. C. Pifer, Montour; J. Dolan, Northumberland, and F. N. Meylert, Sullivan. The official vote as computed by the judges, is as follows:

FOR FULL TERM.
Montour—Godcharles 1391,
Dickerman 1606, Harman 63,
Columbia—Godcharles 2817,
Dickerman 4080, Harman 293,
Sullivan—Godcharles 1220, Dickerman 1217, Harman 63,
Northumberland—Godcharles 7743, Dickerman 7116, Harman 286.
Totals—Godcharles 13,171, Dickerman 14,019, Harman 705.
Dickerman's majority in the district over Godcharles is 848.

FOR SHORT TERM.
For the unexpired term of Hon. Rufus K. Polk this vote was cast: Montour—Billmeyer 1896, Lord 1082,
Columbia—Billmeyer 4327, Lord 2430,
Sullivan—Billmeyer 1247, Lord 1168,
Northumberland—Billmeyer 7188, Lord 7463.
Totals—Billmeyer 14,658, Lord 12,143.
Billmeyer's majority over Lord is 2515.

Bishop's Gloomy View.

Head of Indiana Episcopal Diocese Declares Conditions Border on Anarchism.
Conditions almost anarchistic prevail in the United States, according to Bishop John H. White, of the Episcopal diocese of Northern Indiana. In a sermon at Grace church, Chicago, on Sunday, he declared that the American people had forgotten their duties in a mad rush for wealth and fame.

"It is every man for himself," he declared. "The typical American is heedless of how he achieves his end. Those that come in his way are trampled upon or pushed aside. It is this lack of respect for the wishes and rights of others that has brought about conditions in this country that border on the anarchistic."

Irreverence, declared Bishop White, was responsible for the existing evil conditions. He declared that the American education tended to create irreverence and that the strenuousness of American life had the effect of increasing the irreverent spirit.

"Our institutions," said the bishop, "have had such a rapid growth and our progress has been so wonderful that we are filled with an admiration of ourselves that surpasses our admiration for anything else."

Big Fire at Picture Rocks.

The enterprising village of Picture Rocks, Lycoming county, suffered a disastrous fire early Sunday morning, the large general store of S. H. Burrows Brothers & Company being completely destroyed. The flames were discovered shortly before five o'clock, and made such headway that only a small portion of the effects were saved.

The loss is estimated at from \$6,000 to \$8,000, and the insurance is about \$5,000, with the A. D. Lundy agency, Williamsport. The building was a large two-story frame, with slate roof, and the upper floor was occupied as a dwelling.

The firm carried a large general stock. The origin of the fire is supposed to have been a defective flue.

Blank books, ledgers, day books, journals, counter books, cash books, legal paper, fool cap, letter paper and all stationery supplies at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

Colds

"I had a terrible cold and could hardly breathe. I then tried Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and it gave me immediate relief."
W. C. Layton, Sidell, Ill.

How will your cough be tonight? Worse, probably. For it's first a cold, then a cough, then bronchitis or pneumonia, and at last consumption. Coughs always tend downward. Stop this downward tendency by taking Ayer's Cherry Pectoral.

Three sizes: 25c, 50c, \$1. All druggists.

Consult your doctor. If he says take it, then do so. If he says, "If he tells you not to take it, then don't take it. He knows. Leave it with him. We are willing."
J. C. AYER & CO., Lowell, Mass.

Townsend's CORN CONTEST!

We will give away a **\$10.00 SUIT** of CLOTHES to the Farmer Raising the **Six Largest Ears of Corn** Corn to be raised in Columbia County. This offer will remain open until December the 1st when Judges will decide the contest.

Our line of winter goods is now in. Call and see them before you buy. Prices always right at **Townsend's**

THE SHOW OF OUTER GARMENTS.

You are invited to attend this showing of handsome ready-to-wear apparel. You are invited to investigate the styles, to note the materials, the fit, the finish of this representative collection. You are invited to buy, if so disposed, and what you buy will be right in every particular.

Monte Carlo Coats, Raglans, Tailored Suits, Walking Skirts and Children's Garments.

Walking Skirts
The utility of walking skirts is beyond question. This season's styles eclipse all previous efforts in skirt building. These prices are 20 per cent. to 50 per cent. lower than the real value.
\$5.98 and \$7.50 Walking Skirts at \$4.98.
\$8.50 Walking Skirts at \$6.50.
10.00 Walking Skirts at \$7.50.

Ladies' Jackets
The Monte Carlo Jacket 45in. long are the newest coats for ladies, but the 27in. half fitting are the staple coats, they will sell until the last of the season.
Ladies' Monte Carlo Jacket 45in. long, \$12.50.
Ladies' Monte Carlo Jacket, 27in. long \$10.50.
27in. Ladies' half fitting coat, \$5.00 to \$22.00.
We show a big assortment of Misses Jackets in all lengths used this season. Price \$5.00 to \$12.00.

Tailor Made Suits
There should be some very active suit selling during this week. The price has been cut nearly in half on Colored Tailor Made Suits, \$11.00, \$11.50 and \$12.00 reduced to \$7.98.

The Misses and Children's Garments
Don't think we ever made as fine a showing of these items as now, and we feel confident in our ability to please the most fastidious taste. Prices 3.50 to 10.00.
Stylish Raglans
The Raglans are the stylish thing in long coats; the Raglan showing of this season is now at its best, a price choosing time.
Children's Raglans, 10 and 12 years, \$5.00 to \$7.75.
Misses' Raglans, 15 and 18 years, \$8.50.
Ladies' Raglans \$10.00.

FURNITURE DEPARTMENT.

The Furniture Store is on the second floor, you will find each piece priced with a blue tag. We invite you to come and go through it and see what a FINE BIG ASSORTMENT we carry and see how LOW it is PRICED.

F. P. Pursel.

Night School.
Classes in Arithmetic, English, Mechanical Drawing, Stenography, Typewriting, Penmanship, and a reading course will be conducted during the winter months in the Young Men's Christian Association. These classes give wage earners an opportunity to increase their education, their earning capacity or to fit themselves for a better position. Call at the Y. M. C. A. and enroll at once.

Tailor-Made Suits.
N. S. Tingley has accepted the agency for Reinach, Ullman & Co. of Chicago, merchant tailors, and is ready to supply made-to-measure clothing at prices lower than can be obtained elsewhere. He has a large line of samples to select from. His place of business is the third floor of the COLUMBIAN building. 4t.
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