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We have the most complete lines of all styles in Shoes. Our Stock Combines Style, Comfort and Service, and from it YOU CAN SATISFY any taste and suit any Purse.

Chas. M. Evans, HYGIENIC SHOES FOR CHILDREN.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The Farmers National Bank

At the Close of Business Nov. 25, 1902.

Table with 2 columns: RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. Resources include Loans and Discounts, U. S. Bonds, Stocks, Securities, etc. Liabilities include Capital Stock, Surplus and Undivided Profits, Circulation, Deposits.

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BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1902.

Entered at the Post Office at Bloomsburg, Pa. as second-class matter, March 1, 1888.

Any subscriber who pays up all arrears and a year in advance will be presented with a copy of the Centennial Souvenir Book of Bloomsburg.

Paul Casey is now filling the position of manager of the Western Union Telegraph Co's office in Berwick. He was sent up on Monday owing to the very critical illness of Manager H. O. Rodgers.

The "Red Cafe" Coming.

Manager Fowler announces for Friday evening next at the Grand Opera House an engagement quite out of the ordinary for Bloomsburg in "The Red Cafe," a melodramatic spectacle produced on a scale of magnificence seldom seen outside of the large cities.

H. J. Achenbach witnessed the production of "The Bold Soldier Boy" with Andrew Mack in the stellar role at Ford's theatre, Baltimore Saturday evening.

[Bell Telephone.]

Why Can't I Get PURE SPICES?

How often you hear this question asked.

You Can if You go to RISHTON'S DRUG STORE!

I just received this week from Gilpin Langdon & Co., of Baltimore, who lead the world in PURE DRUGS and SPICES a consignment of spices put up in 2oz., 4oz. and 1 pound tin boxes, which they guarantee on every box as being absolutely pure and the very best.

The price is very little higher than the common truck sold as spices, but they are cheaper in the end because so much stronger. Come in and see them and get a book on spices.

- We have the following kinds: Allspice, English Mustard, Cinamon, Jamaica Ginger, Cloves, African Ginger, Red Pepper, Mace, Paprika Pepper, Sweet Margerum, White Pepper, Garden Sage, Black Pepper, Turkey Dressing.

W. S. RISHTON, Market Square Pharmacist.

LOCAL NEWS.

Legal advertisements on page 7.

Clark Sheep has opened a barber shop in Millville.

Hog Cholera medicine at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

Mr. Guernsey, piano tuner, will be in Bloomsburg all next week. Orders can be left at this office.

Pure Drugs at popular prices is what you get at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

Berwick citizens want a town clock. A subscription paper with that end in view is being circulated.

Clever men seldom climb the tree of knowledge. They prefer to pick the apples off the ground.

Send your work in early. Gem Laundry will be closed Thanksgiving.

The family of Dr. D. H. Montgomery, Millinville, Pa., wish to express thanks to all who kindly assisted during their sad bereavement.

At Whary's china store there is a large line of pretty Jardiniere, Vases, Toilet sets, and a great assortment of china, glassware, etc.

Anthony Conway, the well known and popular hotel proprietor of Centralia, was wedded last week to Miss Mary Brennan, an estimable young lady of Ashland. The ceremony took place in St. Joseph's church, Ashland.

Try Dr. Hess' Chicken Panacea, it will make your hens lay. At Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

Our merchants are arranging their stock for Christmas. The displays this season promise to be of surpassing beauty. If you have decided on what you want you can learn just where to get it by consulting our advertising columns.

Henry Weller, district superintendent for the Lehigh Valley Coal Company at Centralia, has been appointed mine inspector for the Girard Estate with headquarters in Girardville, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of John B. Grainger.

All Philadelphia papers 2 cents, by the month delivered 30 cents, 25 cents a month at the store. J. W. MOYER.

Winter arrived in a hurry on Sunday. During the afternoon and evening snow fell to the depth of nearly two inches and the mercury dropped to eighteen degrees above zero. The snow clinging fast to the trees and wires made a very pretty sight Monday morning.

If there is anything in the saying that the day of the month upon which the first snow falls indicates the number of similar storms that may be expected during the winter, we will have a considerable amount of the beautiful to contend with between this and spring.

No nicer, in fact none as beautiful as the lamps that Mercer the Drug-gist is selling.

The President's message to Congress will be found on page 6.

Seven years in business is our reference. Gem Steam Laundry.

See "Rip Van Winkle" when he wakes from his twenty years' sleep at the Opera House Wednesday evening.

L. E. Whary imports his china direct. He has no jobber's profit to pay and hence his prices are the lowest. 4-3t.

C. B. Ent was the first to enjoy a sleigh ride in town. He was out Sunday evening. If our memory serves us well he claimed this distinction last season.

I. C. Rutter, Jr., will build a veranda around his west Main street residence. A force of men is now engaged on the improvement.

If you want a hot water bottle, fountain or bulb, syringe, nipples or baby fittings go to Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

Wilkes Barre officers have been instructed to arrest all boys found using sling shots and air guns on the streets. Bloomsburg officers should be similarly instructed.

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

Miss Martha Shetler of town acted as bridesmaid at the marriage of her sister Miss Virgie Shetler to John Trainer which was solemnized at Moreland last week. Rev. H. C. Monroe of White Wall was the officiating clergyman.

Samuel Kressler has resigned his position as conductor on the electric railway and entered the employ of the American Car & Foundry Company of Berwick in the capacity of book-keeper.

Charles Warner, who for some time past has been driving groceryman J. K. Armstrong's delivery wagon, has gone to Wilkes-Barre to work for the Pennsylvania Railroad Co.

Hon. Fred T. Ikeler delivered his celebrated lecture, "Agitators" at Mauch Chunk Monday night. He was also the third number on the teachers' institute lecture course of Cumberland county at Carlisle last night.

A merchant called our attention to the fact that while the consumption of coal oil had fallen off about forty per cent, the price had made a corresponding jump, advancing from seven to nine cents a gallon.

Give us a call and be convinced that we are the best. Gem Steam Laundry.

Ralph E. Smith has been elected assistant manager of the base ball team of Dickinson Seminary for 1903. Mr. Smith was home last week on a vacation and received the congratulations of friends on the honor conferred upon him.

Rev. J. R. Murphy, pastor of St. Columba's Roman Catholic church, holds services in Berwick on the first Sunday of each month. The meetings are held in a private house, but it is expected that a mission chapel will be established there.

For a full line of celery dishes, chop dishes, sherbet glasses, table glasses, moustache cups and saucers, cut glass salt and pepper boxes with sterling tops, go to L. E. Whary's china store. French china in great assortment, in sets or odd pieces, at the lowest prices. Examine his stock before selecting your Christmas gifts. 4-3t.

The largest line of lamps in Old Columbia County at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

We doubt if there is a town in the state, the size of Bloomsburg, that can show as many large and handsome stores as our own burg. Energy and enterprise are the characteristics of our merchants, and in quantity and quality of goods, and tasteful arrangements of stock they cannot be surpassed. Visit the home dealers before sending your money out of town to buy Holiday goods, or any other kind for that matter.

Hartman's enlarged store is a busy place these days. The formal opening took place last Friday and was very largely attended. A string orchestra was in attendance and furnished music during the afternoon and evening. Many congratulations were extended to Mr. Hartman for his enterprise, and the handsome decorations and tasteful display of goods were much admired. A dozen or more clerks are in waiting to serve all comers.

PURELY PERSONAL

Elwell Funk returned to Lehigh University on Monday.

Joe Gidding will attend a dance at Mt. Carmel tonight.

J. R. Townsend is in the city this week purchasing new goods.

Arthur Grosz of New York spent Thanksgiving with his parents.

Mrs. Howard Michael of York, has been visiting her mother Mrs. Cole on Market street the past week.

Mrs. J. S. Roys who spent several weeks here with her sons, returned to her home in Lyons, N. Y., on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Noah Brandt of Chambersburg, spent Sunday with the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. John Pollock on Fifth Street. Mrs. Brandt left on Tuesday, accompanied by her sister Myrtle. She will spend several weeks with her sister.

Ask Mercer for it, if he has not got it he will get it for you. Try it.

M. A. Bibby of Catawissa who for many years has figured prominently in the business life of that town, died at his home there on Friday at the age of 61. He was formerly and for many years employed as agent for the D. L. & W. R. R. Co.

E. J. Bowman will lecture in the Court room on forth coming Tuesday evening 9th inst. Subject—"The Welfare of our Republic." The Laboring Classes are especially interested as well as all other citizens, ladies included. Admission one dime. Please bring the proper change.

L. E. Whary has Haviland and Limoges china in tea and dinner sets, also in open stock and odd pieces. Here are some of the odd pieces: Mayonaise, fruit and cake dishes, salad bowls, chocolate sets, sugar and cream sets, oat meal sets, bouillions and ramacons, bon-bons, nut dishes, tea strainers, etc. No nicer Christmas gifts can be found. 4-3t.

The hunting season for deer closed on Monday. Other game, however, may be killed until the fifteenth. The fine that will have to be paid for an infraction of the game law is \$100 for a deer, \$25 for a pheasant and \$10 for a rabbit. The constable making the arrest gets half the fine and \$10 from the state for each conviction together with all his fees.

That H. A. Humphrey's reputation as a first class painter and paper hanger extends beyond the limits of the county is evidenced by the fact that he has just completed several contracts at Mocaanqua, and is now engaged painting and papering the Presbyterian church at Shickshinny. Increasing business, and without solicitations is always regarded as the best proof of ability.

The decorations in Pursel's store are far ahead of anything ever attempted there before. A row of tall white pillars on each side, each surmounted with an urn of plants, give the appearance of a Court of Honor. Festoons in every direction add to the beauty of the arrangement. Great taste has been displayed in these decorations. A large assortment of holiday goods has been received, including toys, books, games, dolls, etc, and an extra force of clerks is ready to serve the thousands of customers that are sure to visit this popular store.

The following letters are held at the Bloomsburg, Pa., postoffice, and will be sent to the dead letter office December 16, 1902. Persons calling for these letters will please say "that they were advertised Dec. 4, 1902":

Mrs. Ada Diefenbach, Mr. Jos. Kashner, Mr. E. F. Long, G. H. Wilson. Cards—Mr. Clifford Faust. One cent will be charged on each letter advertised.

J. C. BROWN, P. M.

Rev. D. Sullivan who has been assistant at St. Ignatius' church, Centralia, has been removed to St. Edward's, Shamokin. Rev. Dougherty of that place succeeding. During Father Sullivan's brief stay in town he has made many friends who wish him every success wherever duty may call him.—Ashland Record.

Rev. Sullivan was raised in Bloomsburg. He was ordained last spring and said his first mass in St. Columba's church, here, in May.

Gilmore's Toy Bazaar.

For many years at the holiday season William H. Gilmore has offered an immense assortment of toys and games suitable for Christmas gifts for the little ones. This year he has surpassed all former efforts. The store room is full of goods and besides this the entire third floor has been turned into a toy shop. Here are dolls, wagons, iron toys, wooden toys, mechanical toys, dishes, tree decorations, drums and thousands of other things. The stock is now ready and the public is invited to call. 20-4t.

Christmas Shopping.

This Store is in its full Christmas Dress. Every Section of it has appropriate goods suitable for the Christmas gift giving for you to select from. The useful goods predominate, yet plenty of the fancy sorts are here. Now is the time to make your selections while the stocks are full.

Dress Materials

Either for your own use or for the gift of some one. They are always acceptable gifts. This stock offers you good selections to choose from. No matter if it is a silk dress to calico they're all ready for you.

Perfumes, Etc.

Our line of toilet goods is very complete. "Col-gates" perfumes stand at the head of the list. We have them in all odors.

Christmas Furs.

A large line of these for you to select from, either for your own use or making a gift to some friend. Neck pieces from \$1.00 each to \$25.00 each. See them.

Coats and Suits.

This department offers you some very attractive values both in suits and coats; you should see if you have a need or desire one for a gift.

Umbrellas for Christmas.

A good assortment of these for you to select from Either Lady or Gents.

See the \$4.75 Ladies' Silk Velvet Hat.

H. J. CLARK & SON.

SHOES OF ALL KINDS,

except inferior shoes, can be found here. We offer honest material whether it be calf or kid, and made up in an honest manner, into stylish and durable footwear, for men, women and children.

Any and every new shape or style that is worthy of consideration will be found in our stock. Our ladies' shoes, at \$2.00, have had a remarkable sale. Their merits have won friends everywhere. Another good shoe is Colonial Dame, at \$2.50

F. D. DENTLER.

TALK NO. 39.

Holiday Annoucement.

For weeks past we have labored industriously to prepare for the Holiday trade, and our store is now fairly shining with a beautiful array of Christmas gifts. Special pains and much careful consideration was expended to make the collection of Christmas goods one which should include something really desirable for every individual, from the youngest to the oldest. We have made it a point to have great variety in goods of all prices, ranging from the merest trifle upwards, in order that you may make good selections at any price you feel able to pay.

Geo. W. Hess, OPTICIAN AND JEWELER, BLOOMSBURG, PENN'A

- Cloisnoniere Vases, Fancy Austrian Vases 75 to 5.00, Fancy Bohemian Vases, \$1.00 to \$4.00, Bronze Figures \$2.50 to \$6.00, French Plaques, \$3.50, German Vases, \$1.00 to \$5.00, Japanese Vases, Japanese Jardiniere, \$5.00 to \$6.00, Salad Bowls, Mayonnaise Bowls, Tea Pots, Cereal Sets, Berry Sets, Cream and Sugar Sets, Fern Dishes, Bon-Bon Dishes, Soup Plates, Chocolate Pots, Fruit Plates, Salts and Peppers, Pictures, Bread and Butter Plates, Dinner Plates.

We carry these articles in Japanese, French, Austrian, German and Bohemian ware. J. Lee Martin, JEWELRY AND ART GOODS, TELEPHONE 1842.

Box papers from 10c. to 50c. Tablets from 5 to 25c. Envelopes from 5 to 16c. per pack. All stationery at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

Isaiah Hagenbuch purchased the Dr. Evans property on Fourth street at public sale for \$4,750.

Lamps to burn at Mercer's Drug and Book Store. No cracked collars at the Gem Steam Laundry. Try us.