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DISTRESSING ACCIDENT.

N. B. Crouse, a brakeman on the B. & S. R. R. Attempts to Cross the Track to Signal the Conductor and is Caught Beneath the Cars.

Both Legs Severed.—Expires on the Way to the Hospital.

Jamison City was the scene of a distressing accident on Saturday when N. B. Crouse, of Forks, a brakeman on the Bloomsburg & Sullivan Railroad was caught beneath the wheels of a train and both legs cut off. When the report of the accident first reached town it was said that Crouse had thrown open the switch and was crossing the track when he was knocked down by the train. From a more reliable source we are informed that he had just broken a coupling and had attempted to step from one car to another, when he fell beneath the cars and was run over. Both legs above the knee were terribly crushed and he was otherwise bruised. He was removed to the station, near by, by fellow-workmen and medical aid summoned.

He was brought to Bloomsburg by Dr. Carey and Mrs. Crouse, wife of the unfortunate man, who joined them at Forks. They were met here by Dr. Redeker and Supt. Campbell, of the B. & S. R. R. Co., who assisted in transferring him to the D. L. & W. train. He was to be taken to the Wilkes-Barre Hospital but when the train reached Plymouth he was dead.

The body was transferred to the south-bound train arriving here at 8:17 and was taken up by a special train on the B. & S. to his home at Forks.

It is a sad blow to his wife who has lost a kind, indulgent husband and she is now left alone with a little child. Mysterious indeed, and past finding out, are the ways of the all wise Providence. The entire community extends general and heartfelt sympathy to the grief-stricken wife.

N. B. Crouse was about thirty-five years of age. The funeral occurred Wednesday morning. Services were conducted in the Zion Church by Rev. A. Houtz, of Orangeville. Interment was made in the cemetery belonging to the church.

With the Wheelmen.

Guy Sleppy and Clem R. Weiss won the first and second prizes at the gentlemen's euchre Tuesday evening.

The club is in a better financial condition now than at any time in its history. The membership fees more than pay all the running expenses, and the revenue derived from the pool table, cigars and euchre parties constitutes a substantial balance which goes into the treasury at the end of each month.

J. Warren Lee is the club's present efficient treasurer.

The handicap pool tournament is now on and is proving very interesting. There are twenty contestants. The scratch men, three in number, are Gerald Gross, H. J. Achenbach and D. J. Tasker. The last named is the present pool champion of the club, he having defeated H. J. Achenbach in a hundred ball match Saturday evening.

WILLIAM S. MOYER STRICKEN.

On Monday evening at about nine o'clock William S. Moyer of the firm of Moyer Bros. and President of the Farmers National Bank, had a paralytic stroke in the store. Doctors Bruner and Reber were summoned and he was removed to his home. His condition has grown worse, and this morning there is but slight hope of his recovery.

The death of Robert Bogert, which occurred at his home in Millville Sunday evening, has called forth many expressions of sorrow, especially from those who knew him while he resided in town. During his residence in Bloomsburg he clerked for S. R. Bidleman, and it was while thus engaged that the symptoms of the fatal malady consumption manifested themselves. He was twenty-two years of age. The funeral occurred yesterday morning. Rev. McLinn of the Lutheran Church officiated. Interment at Light Street.

W. S. Rishton moved into his new house on Tuesday.

CHRISTMAS

WILL SOON BE HERE



THE usual problem confronts you ---same old trouble as last year. "It's hard to find things to give men." If you find it so, a visit here will help you to decide and afford you relief. Our store is full of articles suitable for a man's Christmas. Run your eyes down this list--you will certainly strike something HE would be delighted to have.

Overcoat, Gloves, Night Robe, Shirts,

Smoking Jacket, Hosiery, Muffler, Raincoat, Shirt Protectors, Handkerchiefs, Etc., Etc.

Ben Gidding,
The Clothier,
Bloomsburg, - Penna.



Suit, Cap, Bath Robes,

Neckwear, Suspenders, Collars, Cuffs, Umbrella, White Vest, Housecoats, Sweaters, Trunks, Valises, Etc., Etc.

When Christmas shopping we would be pleased to have you come here with your troubles and we'll fix "HIM" out.



REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

Bloomsburg National Bank

At the Close of Business Nov. 25th, 1902.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Investments,	\$448,810.34	Capital Stock,	\$60,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures,	8,000.00	Surplus and Profits,(Net)	43,134.23
Cash and Reserve,	95,343.63	Circulation,	60,000.00
		Individual Deposits,	386,545.12
		Bank Deposits	2,474.62
	\$552,153.97		\$552,153.97

A. Z. SCHOCH, PRESIDENT.

WM. H. HIDLAY, CASHIER.

[READ MY AD ON 5TH PAGE.]

BRIC-A-BRAC AND FANCY CHINA,

Our customers can spend a pleasant hour in this department of our store in studying the collections of

Art, Bric-a-Brac and Fancy China.

We have kept in mind the general demand for really artistic goods at moderate cost, and while the stock contains some elaborate and expensive pieces, it is made up mainly of the more practical sorts

At Popular Prices.

A glance through our stock will satisfy our customers that our prices are secure from competition.

J. Lee Martin,
Jeweler and Optician.

Telephone 1842.

A Barber Shop at Your Finger Ends

"NEW GEM" SAFETY RAZORS



WHETHER your beard grows out--up--down--still--or any other way above surface, it's all the same to the New Gem Razor. No other shaving device is capable of overcoming these peculiarities of shaving, in the best interests of your face. A few strokes easily made and you feel as caper as you do after an invigorating wash-up.

FOR SALE BY

J. G. Wells,
General Hardware,
BLOOMSBURG, PA.

SAY THE SUPPLY IS NORMAL

Coal operators throughout the region declare that the complaints of the dealers in New York, Philadelphia and Washington that coal is not being shipped into those cities are without foundation. They are daily in receipt of as much and more coal than on any day before the strike, but the trouble, the operators say, is that the stock on hand was depleted during the progress of the strike and those who were wont to lay in their stocks of coal for the winter in July now want to have the whole amount for their winter's use delivered to them at once.

W. H. Krickbaum Dead.

William H. Krickbaum, one of Wilkes-Barre's representative business men, died of heart failure at his home on Parrish street, Wednesday afternoon. The deceased was 61 years old and formerly resided at Cambra where he conducted a store and farm. He was well-known and highly esteemed. Mr. Krickbaum was twice married. His former wife died of heart disease at the Huntington Valley camp ground some years ago. He is survived by wife, nee Miss Abigail Bacon, of Cambra, and a son and daughter, Dr. W. H. Krickbaum, of Pittsburgh, and Miss Rozell, who resides at home.

The remains arrived in Bloomsburg on Saturday on the early train and were taken to Benton, where services were conducted. The funeral was largely attended. Burial was made in the Cemetery connected with the Hamline Church.

Too Many Merchants.

Berwick's prosperity is attracting business men from all over the country, and the town is overrun with merchants. The extensive improvements of the American Car and Foundry Company, and the steadily increasing population has given a wonderful impetus, and the town has taken rank as one of the most promising in the state.

F. B. Hartman was in Wilkes-Barre on Tuesday in the interest of Creasy & Wells.

The Leader. The Leader. The Leader.

Christmas

For the festive occasion, we have made extra arrangements at considerable expense. We have gotten our building ready for the crowds that favor us with their presence during the month of December. Under a gigantic umbrella, 18 feet spread, we have arranged our toys. The pleasure of seeing our artistic arrangements will repay you for a visit and the child will be delighted.

BOOKS

As usual we have a line of all the best selling books at wholesale prices. Nothing better for Christmas gifts.

THE LEADER DEPARTMENT STORE.

Sleepy Hollow Chairs.
\$20.00, \$25.00, \$43.00.
Cure for insomnia.

ROCKING CHAIRS.
Golden Oak, Quartered
Oak \$2.00 up to \$10.00.

COMBINATION DESKS.
17.00, 22.00, 28.00 48.00.
A useful present.

MUSIC CABINETS.
20.00, 21.00, 25.00, 30.00.
A beautiful parlor ornament.

DOLLS—A very large family for adoption this year. From 5c to 50c.

GAMES—A large line of iron toys. Indestructible and will last years.

CROKINOLE—for 1.00. We have a combination board upon which 26 games can be played for 1.50.

HANDKERCHIEFS. In a specially designed fancy box. The box itself is a beauty and designs are private to us.

The Leader Store Company Ltd.,
4th and Market Streets.