

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	27,500.43
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	11,057.24
Circulation	50,000.00
Deposits	428,561.94
Total	\$664,629.18

The First National Bank solicits a share of your business upon the basis of sound and Progressive Banking, Liberal and Accurate Treatment.

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THE POWER OF INTELLECT.

Man, endowed with faculties of mind, is capable of expansion in mental development beyond all human calculation. The rapid advancement and progression of art and science fully demonstrate this fact. For illustration, a conception, an idea, or imagination: Is it real? Whence its origin? What its results?

It is the undeveloped bud in the mental caliber that blossoms into endless possibilities and ripens into every variety of artistic beauty, scientific research and every invention that blesses mankind. Yes, the crank, full of funny notions, often called "the imaginary tool house", has often proved to be the world's greatest benefactor. So with Fulton, Stephenson and Morse, and in still earlier days, Galileo, Columbus and Newton; and later Franklin and Edison.

Whence came the conception, the idea, or imagination (angel of light) that rolled the stone from sepulcher of superstition, and burst the tomb of ignorance asunder, from which arose the glory and splendor that crowns the achievement of human effort in every department of industrial, artistic and scientific activity? Ah! is it only imagination? or is it heaven born?

Is life, with all its vicissitudes of weals and woes, attended by all the trains of blessings and cures, the fruits of good, or evil deeds, only existing in the imagination? No. "Life is real, life is earnest." Everything invented had its origin or conception in the imagination, and later developed into tangible form—moving objects of every description on sea and land, from the steamboat, locomotive, automobile, bicycle, telegraph, phonograph and printing press, to the millions of other useful machines, implements and "what nots" that make life pleasant and agreeable, and worth the living for the numberless classes to which each and all of these adapt their uses for their benefit.

J. C. W.

THOS. H. GINGLES.

The people of Jerseytown and vicinity sincerely mourn the loss of one of their most esteemed citizens, Thomas H. Gingles, who departed this life on Monday December eighth. Mr. Gingles was ill but a short time and his rather sudden demise caused great sorrow among relatives and his many friends. There was probably no man in Madison township who was better known or more highly esteemed. Mr. Gingles was born and lived nearly all his life on a farm about 2 1/2 miles south-west of Jerseytown. He served his township in the offices of School Director, Poor Director and Auditor a number of times each. In his case the office sought the man and not the man the office. In executing the duties of office his first and only consideration was the best interests of the community he served. Not only was Mr. Gingles a man worthy of imitation in office, but in his business methods in general. He was upright in all his dealings, demanding what belonged to him and nothing more. In the true sense, he was a generous man. The writer

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Among the signs of a weak stomach are: uneasiness after eating, fits of nervous headache, and disagreeable belching.

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McCOLLUM FAMILY.

BENTON, PA., Dec. 6, 1902.
EDITOR COLUMBIAN,
DEAR SIR:

Having had a business occasion to visit Orangeville, on the above date, we called upon Miss Retta McCollum, a school pupil of ours in the year 1861-2, and subsequent school terms, for a social chat, and the renewing of old acquaintanceship. From her we learned that the McCollum family moved from Warnersville, or Jola, to the old school house, at the Belles graveyard, in Benton township, about the year 1846. But prior to this removal Mr. McCollum boarded with John C. Doty, while getting out and preparing timber to build a house, entirely in the woods, preparatory to clearing up a farm, known as the McCollum farm. Of the eleven children, John, I. K., Mary Ann, Catharine and Sarah are dead. The surviving are M. C. of Esby, Ephraim, of Michigan; William, of Newark, N. J.; Abraham, of Luzerne; Oren, of Wilkes-Barre, and Retta of Orangeville. At the time of the death of the father we wrote an obituary, the date of which we do not remember, however, and which several of the children desired to obtain, but all of the numbers of that issue of the COLUMBIAN were disposed of, and therefore no copies could be secured. The following is the item referred to:

From the Jerseytown items we learn of the death of Jacob McCollum, an aged citizen of that place. Mr. McCollum was for a long time a citizen of Benton township, peaceable quiet and respected by all who knew him. Mrs. McCollum, wife of Jacob, was a sister to the late Col. Hiram R. Kline, and died some years ago, and was buried in the St. James cemetery, and we were at her funeral. But we learned a few days since that her body had been removed to Derry. The McCollums were a large and interesting family, seven boys and four girls. And those surviving seem to be scattered far and wide. The whole family had great natural talents for vocal music and penmanship. The younger portion of the family were all pupils at school to your correspondent, while nearly all of the elder ones were schoolmates in an earlier day. JOHN C. WENNER.

Genuine seal driving gloves \$5.00 at Ben Gidding's.

A WANTED PLACE.

There are in the neighborhood of a dozen applicants for the position of Commissioner's Clerk. They come from all over the county. A partial list of the aspirants are Bruce Dildine, Rohrsburg; C. F. Mann, Benton; John Nuss, Mifflin; Warren Edgar, Sullwater, and Joseph Hilday and W. C. McKinney, Bloomsburg. Freeze Quick's name is also mentioned in connection with the place. Robert Vanderslice, the present clerk, is not an applicant for reappointment.

Sunbury's Bright Outlook.

The year 1903, says the Sunbury Daily, will be a record breaker in Sunbury in the way of improvement to the railroad facilities of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. No year since the building of the Pennsylvania railroad shops in 1867 or the building of the Reading railroad in 1882 will equal it. The growing business of the Pennsylvania railroad has rendered the yard facilities entirely inadequate and many new tracks will be put down and the entire system of the yard improved and enlarged. This will necessitate many new tracks in both the upper and lower yards, but the upper yard will receive the most attention. The railroad company will expend in Sunbury over half a million dollars in the work, and it will commence as soon as spring opens. Miles of new track will be added and the plans for the work are now being made. The work is to be completed before next fall. Added to the construction of the Susquehanna Dye Works, the summer of 1903 will be a lively one in Sunbury.

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