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CURRENT COMMENT.

PEOPLE WILL TALK, AND THIS IS WHAT THEY HAVE TO SAY.

That the new year is giving us a pretty cold shoulder.

That the early bird catches no worm these mornings.

That there are no disease germs in the atmosphere now.

That the man with a furnace to just don't want much else to do just now.

That in the midst of all the cold weather, some people are planning summer excursions.

That the man who leaves his horse tied in the street, exposed for hours to the biting cold of winter still comes to town. The law that protects animals from cruelty applies to his case and should be enforced.

That the B. & S. R. R. Co. should effect some means of protection at the Red Rock bridge. The curve in the railroad renders it impossible to see an approaching train, and makes crossing the tracks doubly dangerous.

That Street Commissioner Neyhard did what ought to have been done before the cold weather set in, when he shut off the water at the drinking fountain on Market street. It had run over the entire corner and frozen up until pedestrians could not get over it.

That a man in gloomy scorn, as quiet as a mouse, Returned all unheralded, unto a Bloomsburg house; Alas! for all the Amsterdamish snubs that fell to be, They say the man, many times cried "dame" without the "e."

That the attempt of the Central Pennsylvania Telephone Co. to erect a pole line through the principal street of Catawissa has resulted in the passage of an ordinance by the Council of the town requiring all telephone, telegraph and electric light concerns to place their poles in the alleys.

That this is an odd year and the sum of the numbers in 1903 is 13. Ordinarily that sort of combination would pressage all sorts of misfortune and calamity. But this year will show how little of the hoodoo there is in 13. It gives promise of being the most prosperous year the country has ever known.

That Bloomsburg society is undergoing a spasm of virtue, because it has produced no scandal and no gossip of any interest for some time past. Everyone seems to have been attending to his own business, which after all is said and done, is a fairly good occupation, and the repair of reputations, for once, finds business exceedingly dull and unprofitable.

That there should be a change made in the post office. As it now is, holders of lock boxes, must elbow their way through a solid line of humanity, or wait oftentimes for half an hour until the rush is over, before they can get their mail. If the delivery window were placed on the right side, next to the partition, the situation would be relieved considerably.

That the large number of divorces granted in Northumberland County last year, tends to show that cupid oft times makes misshots, the evil consequences of which develop immediately after the vows have been whispered at the altar. Bad dispositions and impetuosity, are nearly always responsible for early separations. There is always a period, or apparently so, after marriage when conjugal pleasures cloy and all the world looks blue. If the fifteen couple in our sister county had made an effort to live through this "slump" in conjugal joy, they might have been happy together after all—even though married.

LICENSE COURT.

The New Applicants in Berwick Meet With Stout Opposition.

All The Old Ones Granted.

As predicted in these columns last week the annual license court attracted a large attendance. Berwick was particularly well represented, a large number coming down to appear either for or against the applicants while others were here just to look on.

The court convened at 10 o'clock a. m. with Hon. R. R. Little and associates Fox and Krickbaum on the bench.

Court appointed P. H. Freeze as Inspector of Elections in Bloomsburg, the third district, to fill vacancy caused by the removal of Thornton T. Freeze from the district.

All applications for license against which no remonstrances were filed were read by the Court and the same were granted.

In the matter of the application of Patrick Crossgrove for a hotel license in Conyngham township near Centralia, on road leading to Centralia. This is a new application, and a number of witnesses were called to testify to the character of the applicant and the necessity for said hotel. No remonstrance was filed against the application and the same is now in the hands of the Court pending its decision.

The application of Abram L. Faik for hotel license in Millinville against which a remonstrance had been filed, was withdrawn and the witnesses in the case were discharged from the subpoena.

Upon motion of S. W. Dickson, E. D. Nichols, Esq., of Wilkes-Barre, was admitted to practice at the Columbia county bar.

In the matter of the application of James H. Fairman for hotel license in the borough of Berwick. Remonstrance was filed against same.

Mr. Fairman's interest were cared for by C. C. Evans, Esq., while the remonstrants were represented by Mr. Nichols.

In addition to Mr. Fairman, six witnesses were heard on each side, the following being sworn:

For the application—Frank McAfee, Daniel Mitchel, Charles D. Whitenight, William Betterly, Jenkin Evans and Orvis Farver.

Against the application—S. W. Dickson, Fred Seesholtz, Francis Bower, Joseph Hicks, T. S. Chapin and C. C. Mendenhall.

The witnesses for the application were all positive that the necessity for another hotel in the borough of Berwick existed inasmuch as with the increased growth of the place the present hostleries were found inadequate for the accommodation of the traveling public.

This the witnesses for the remonstrance did not deny, their contention being mainly that another drinking place was unnecessary. It was also brought out by Mr. Evans that several of the witnesses were wholly opposed to the granting of license in any form, and in his address to the Court he brought out this fact prominently by saying that these men were not competent judges as to the necessity of such places inasmuch as they did not visit them for the purpose of drinking and knew little or nothing about the needs of the general public.

The Court then took the papers and the result of their deliberations will be known later.

The next case to occupy the attention of the Court was that of the application of Andrew Lynch, of Wilkes-Barre, for a wholesale license in the borough of Berwick, to which a remonstrance had been filed on the grounds of no necessity.

On motion William H. McCartney, Esq., of Wilkes-Barre, was admitted to the Columbia county bar.

Application of Daniel Elkert for a hotel license in West Berwick borough. Remonstrance filed on grounds of no necessity.

After the examination of the applicant, Mr. Eckert and six witnesses for and against the application the papers were placed in the hands of court.

The recognition of James McDonnell, Sr., taken in the sum of \$500 for the good behavior of his son James McDonnell, Jr. and to keep the peace for one year.

James McDonnell, Jr. discharged from the custody of the Sheriff as an insolvent debtor.

James J. Bell, Esq. of Schuylkill county, admitted to practice at this session of court.

Application of James J. O'Donnell for a restaurant license in the borough of Centralia, being a new license with no remonstrance. Papers in hands of court.

Application of Patrick O'Reilly for a restaurant license in the

borough of Centralia, being a new license with no remonstrance. Papers in hands of court.

Application of Frank P. Brennan for hotel license in Conyngham township. Granted.

Application of Edward Woomer for a hotel license in the borough of Centralia. Continued for the purpose of further consideration.

Application of James Flynn for wholesale license in the borough of Centralia. Continued for the purpose of further consideration.

Application of Oliver Honabach for hotel license in Conyngham township, being a new license with no remonstrance against it. Papers in hands of court.

Application of Charles Dusheck for a bottler's license in the Town of Bloomsburg withdrawn and application for wholesale license granted.

Application of Jacob Salsburg for a wholesale liquor license in the borough of Berwick. Remonstrances filed against granting same on the grounds of no necessity.

A number of witnesses were called on each side as follows:

For the application—Jacob Salsburg, Scott Siler, A. F. Meredith, C. D. Fowler, Miles Marteeny, W. H. Hibbs and Louis Rosenthal while those opposed to the granting of said license were Rev. R. H. Gilbert, J. A. Kepner, A. M. Depeu and Rev. M. M. Albeck.

Senator Herring represented Mr. Salsburg while the interests of the remonstrants were cared for by Mr. Nichols, both of whom made excellent addresses.

Court took the papers in the case and its decision in the matter will be known later.

Application of M. Friedlander, of Hazleton, for a wholesale liquor license of the borough of Berwick. Remonstrance against application on the grounds of no necessity.

The applicant was represented by C. C. Evans, Esq. while Mr. Nichols represented the remonstrants.

A number of witnesses were called who testified to Mr. Friedlander's good character and fitness to conduct a wholesale liquor store, while the principal objections to the licensing of this business on the part of the remonstrants was on account of its close proximity to the new M. E. church and also on the further grounds that it was unnecessary.

The Court took the papers, the case having been submitted without argument by the attorneys, they agreeing that the former testimony adduced as to the wholesale licenses in Berwick borough should cover this application.

Judge Little announced that the hearing in the application of C. E. Crawford for a hotel license in the village of Light Street would be continued until Wednesday, January 28th, 1903.

Application of the Stegmaier Brewing Company of Wilkes-Barre for a wholesale license for a storage warehouse in Bloomsburg. No remonstrance. Granted.

Application of Frank Piester for a hotel license in the borough of West Berwick. Remonstrance against said application on the grounds of no necessity.

The applicant testified that he had plans and specifications for the building of the proposed hotel, and stated that he would build whether or not the license was granted. Witnesses testified to his good character and fitness and also for the necessity of the hotel, while other witnesses were quite vigorous in their opposition to it. The Court took the papers.

Court adjourned to meet next Wednesday, January 28th, at ten o'clock a. m.

Rev. A. M. Barnitz who filed charges in the M. E. Church at Berwick, Danville and Catawissa, died at his home in York on Sunday, aged 79 years.

The enduring potency of a railroad ticket until used is signally illustrated by a decision of Judge Platt of the United States Court in New Jersey. Mrs. Isabelle M. Latelle bought a ticket in 1893 from Hobokus to New York and return, using the first half of her ticket in going to that city. It was on the New York, Lake Erie & Western Railroad, which shortly afterwards became merged into the Erie. Five years later she offered it on her way from New York to Hobokus. It was refused and she was forcibly ejected from the train and for two hours confined in a station house. The court held that the value of the ticket had not vitiated by lapse of time and the obliteration of the road as an independent corporation. She had paid the road to ride from Hobokus to New York and return, and her right to do so could not be arbitrarily abolished. She was awarded a verdict of \$2,000. The conclusion is that a railroad ticket is a valuable asset until it has fulfilled its office.

INTERESTING ITEMS.

Bucknell University's effort to secure an endowment of \$100,000 has been successful. The property of the institution is now valued at \$1,000,000.

The feast of "Purim" will be celebrated by the Jewish people from March 13th to 19th. Aside from the special services held at this time, the holiday is one of rejoicing.

In some section of Northern Chester county there is very little fox hunting, consequently the foxes have become very numerous. They can be seen crossing the fields unmolested.

The board of pardons has decided to give Mrs. Kate Edwards, of Berks county, under sentence of death for murder, a re-hearing. The new board, under Governor Pennypacker, will next hear the case.

The smallpox situation at Northumberland is greatly improved. On Friday the quarantine was removed at two of the houses. At the other places where disease existed the quarantine will be continued for a week as a precaution.

Fire swept over a big business block at Scranton Monday morning and destroyed two large department stores, those of William Chapelle and the Ambrose Mulley estate. The contents of both were also consumed. The loss is placed at \$225,000.

George Shell, of near Selinsgrove, while chopping trees, met with instant death. As a tree was ready to fall Shell, with an axe in hand, ran away in the same direction the tree was falling. He was knocked down upon his side, cutting open his skull.

On Saturday the P. R. R. company paid to those of their employes, who served in the National Guard during the strike, the amount of money which they would have earned had they not been called into state service. It will amount to more than \$10,000.

The youngest soldier in the civil war again has been discovered. His name is C. P. Harder, and according to records, he was 10 years old when he enlisted as a drummer boy. Harder was one of the drummer boys at Lincoln's funeral and now is postmaster at Danville.

The postoffice department will shortly suggest to the school authorities that lessons be given in the proper addressing of envelopes. A postal official says it would be a good thing if school superintendents everywhere would ask teachers to instruct their pupils how to address letters.

Dr. Nathan C. Schaeffer, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, has given notice to the school teachers of the different townships of Berks county that he will impose upon them the penalty of the law if they do not compel children between 6 and 16 years old to attend school.

Joseph Reith and his wife are lying at the Pottsville Hospital fatally burned, and will die from an explosion of a kerosene lamp.

Reith blew into the chimney to extinguish the light, when there was a sharp report and instantly the clothing of both was enveloped in flames.

Shamokin is highly elated over the fact that the U. S. Senate has passed the bill appropriating \$100,000 for the erection of a public building in that town. This bill is a pet measure of former Congressman Monroe H. Kulp. The only thing now necessary is the signature of President Roosevelt.

Because her leg was broken, owing to a fright, Nellie Gallagher, of Pittston, has brought suit for \$10,000 damages.

She was sitting on a porch, when a team of horses belonging to James Fitzpatrick ran away. She was so frightened she fell from the porch and broke her leg.

Unconscious in his sled, but with hands clenched on the reins, John M. Taylor, for many years mail agent for Irish Lane and Shickshinny, died as he was carried along his route by his faithful horses on Tuesday.

He was stricken with palsy at Shickshinny, but refused, despite the bitter cold, to delay his mail delivery, and, half unconscious, started over the mountains.

Taylor was a veteran of the civil war.

Commissioner Geo. W. Sterner was one of the Aides of the Firemen's division of the inaugural parade on Monday.

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Junior O. U. A. M. Troubles May End.

The conflict which has existed for more than two years in the Junior Order of United American Mechanics will probably be settled during the next two weeks either by the courts or by arbitration. It was said Thursday that court of common pleas No. 4 of Philadelphia had fixed January 22 as the day for a hearing. The evidence is in, and it only remains for the lawyers to make their addresses.

Should the court's decision not prove satisfactory, however, an arbitration committee will consider the matter on January 30, at the Windsor Hotel, Philadelphia. At the meeting of the State and National Councils of both factions last year committees were appointed to bring arbitration about.

Both sides have made large gains recently in membership.

Berwick High School Wins Debate.

The Philothena Literary Society of the Berwick High School in a debate with the Webster Debating Club of Sunbury at Sunbury Thursday night on the question, "Resolved, 'That the government should own and control the railroads,'" took the affirmative side and won the decision. A special train conveyed the debaters and a large number of their friends to Sunbury and return. Miss Grace Fenstermacher, Conway Dickson and Orval Cope represented the Berwick High School.

FARM FOR RENT. 160 acre farm for rent. Inquire of J. E. Boone, Almedia Pa. 1f

Had to Pay for Docking Trees. Andrew Garber was awarded \$1030 yesterday at Lancaster in his suit against the Columbia Telephone Company to recover damages for mutilating shade trees on his property. The company's linemen, it was shown, had topped 103 locust trees in order to build the telephone line. Garber alleged that the value of the trees was thereby destroyed. This is the first suit tried in Pennsylvania under the law passed a few years ago holding telegraph companies responsible for damages to trees in stringing wires.

Excursion Rates. Taking effect January 1st, 1903 the Lackawanna Railroad Co. will sell excursion tickets to nearly all stations on their line. This will be another improvement that will be appreciated by the traveling public, the tickets will be good for thirty days including date of sale, stopover will not be allowed. 1-14t

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