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THE COLUMBIAN.
 BLOOMSBURG, PA.

LOCAL NEWS.

THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 1903.
 Entered at the Post Office at Bloomsburg, Pa. as second class matter, March 1, 1888.

The barn connected with the Exchange Hotel of Benton was totally destroyed by fire last night. The flames were discovered by a traveling man about eight o'clock in the evening, but had gained such headway that to save the building was out of the question. The horses and carriages were removed but a number of hogs and considerable amount of grain burned.

For a time the destruction of the hotel was threatened and a good deal of the furniture was removed, but by dint of hard work on the part of the bucket brigade the building was saved. The bulk of the loss will fall upon Mrs. Olive Hess who owned the hotel property through the landlord Oscar E. Sutton is a loser to a considerable extent by reason of the destruction of personal property.

Mrs. Sarah A. Wilson, wife of J. D. Wilson passed away at her home on West Third street, Thursday morning last, at the age of eighty-four years. She had long been in poor health. Mrs. Wilson was a daughter of the late Philip Eyer. She is survived by a husband and a daughter, Miss Alice Wilson. A brother, Rev. P. F. Eyer, also survives. The funeral took place Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Tilghman Nagle who for the past year has been an inmate of the Danville Hospital, died at that institution Saturday, aged seventy years. A husband and five children four daughters and one son survive. The funeral took place from her home in Almedia, yesterday. Interment in the Almedia cemetery.

[Bell Telephone.]



On cold days it is not necessary to "bundle up" with heavy, cumbersome clothing, if you wear a perfect-fitting, tailor-made

Frost King or Frost Queen, Chamois Vest

These garments insure a maximum of protection with a minimum of weight.
 Price, \$3.00
 For Sale By

W. S. RISHTON,
 Market Square Pharmacist.

NOTE:—In case you don't wear a chamois vest and catch cold, don't forget our **COLD-I-CURE.** It never fails to cure a cold in a day or two.

Legal advertisements on page 7.

Philip Harris is confined to his home at Cabin Run by sickness.

There will be work for the "man with the hoe" as soon as the weather opens up.

Spring was ushered in on Saturday. Just now March has the indication of going out like a lion.

The Annual Sunday School Convention for Columbia County will be held at Berwick May 28th and 29th.

Lamps! Large and small, a very large line at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

If a man would secure his wife's undivided attention all he has to do is to make a bluff at talking in his sleep.

The quack of the wild duck is heard on the river. They come few and far between as yet, but whet your appetite.

Theta Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle will pay a fraternal visit to the Castle at Berwick on Monday night.

It's easy for a young man to support a wife, providing she doesn't object to changing from one knee to the other occasionally.

One of the state legislators has tried to pass a bill giving men with families of six or more children a medal and certain sums of money.

You can find the nicest and largest line of bibles, large and small in Bloomsburg at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

The bill preventing the sale of cigarettes or cigarette paper to persons under 21 years of age passed finally in the state senate last week.

W. C. McKinney went to New York and Philadelphia on Monday, to purchase a line of shoes for the store which he will open at Berwick.

John Klingaman of Beaver Valley drove over to Bloom yesterday on business. He expects to give his house a new coat of paint this spring.

Mrs. Joshua Fetterman will sell her household goods on Monday, March 30, at one o'clock in the afternoon. She intends to break up housekeeping.

"My Friend from Arkansaw" pleased a small audience at the Opera House Saturday evening. The acting was above the average talent of road companies.

We have just received a very large line of some of the latest books. Please call and see them at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

Jacob Walter of Locust township died at the Jefferson Hospital, Philadelphia, on Monday. He had been taken to the institution to be operated upon for cancer of the tongue. He was 71 years old.

London is the birth-place of the Young Men's Christian Association and although it celebrated some eight years ago, its semi-centennial, it has not become languid.

Andrew Carnegie has offered to pay half the price for pipe organs for St. Luke's Reformed and St. John's English Lutheran Church congregations at Lock Haven.

The fellows that wagered that there be no more snow this season were obliged to whack up yesterday. The flakes were few and far between, but it was snow just the same.

Hair brushes, nail brushes, cloth brushes, tooth brushes, nail brushes etc., at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

Horses in Brooklyn are being fed molasses, say the papers. They seem to like it and it is more easily digested than their oats and other dry feed, and can be consumed more quickly.

J. R. Fowler will put men to work next week at Shawnee Park. The Park will be thoroughly cleaned and made ready for the summer season. He has not yet decided on the opening date.

Michigan claims "nearly 35,000 paid-up members in good standing" in her 550 subordinate granges. And yet Michigan is not satisfied, but is organizing new granges faster than any other state.

Rev. J. W. Bentz preached his first sermon at his new charge, at Liverpool, on Sunday. He went down Saturday evening and returned Monday morning. He will move his family down this week.

Oscar Wolf and Miss Mary Rumburger, of Numidia were the principals of a nuptial event which took place at the Reformed parsonage, Numidia, Saturday evening. Rev. Bachman performed the ceremony.

An engagement at the local Opera House which the show patrons of town will be pleased to hear of is that of Frank Adams in the greatest of all trick comedies "Uncle Heg." This attraction will be seen here early in April.

Berwick merchants have decided to close their stores at eight o'clock in the evenings. The clerks requested them to close at seven o'clock, but the various business interests would prevent a closing time earlier than eight o'clock.

Ex-Sheriff Carter of Tunkhannock was in town on Tuesday. He expects to leave Tunkhannock, and talks some of moving to Bloomsburg. He is well known in this county, having been the agent for the Osborne & Co. farm machinery some years ago.

Al. Newton, Normal's crack short stop last season, arrived in town on Saturday and will assist in coaching the base ball candidates until the opening of the New England League season when he will go to Concord, New Hampshire, to play.

John S. Williams, who as an auctioneer enjoys a state reputation, sold twenty-three head of horses in an hour and twenty-seven minutes for Weaver Brothers at Milton on Tuesday at an average price of \$186.45. John feels proud of the record and he has a reason too.

With some persons one vaccination may be protective against small pox for a life time; two vaccinations—one in infancy, another when about 15 years of age—protect most people for life; in comparatively few will vaccination "take" a third time.

Alfred Day Pardee of Philadelphia, formerly of Hazleton, was in town this week. He is one of the stockholders of the Alta-Idaho Gold and Copper Mining Company. He gives a glowing account of the mines owned by the company and of the fine climate of that section.

Edward Toole's body was recovered from the Susquehanna river at Sunbury on Sunday. He was a well to do resident of Wilkes-Barre and was seen to jump off the bridge into the river at that place one day in February. Money to the amount of \$104.00 was found in the pantaloons pocket of the dead man.

John Morris of Greenwood was in town last Thursday, and gave us a pleasant call. He was accompanied by a youth named Cole who had never visited Bloomsburg before. The boy was much interested in watching the printing processes, as this was the first time he had been in a printing office.

ASTORIA.
 The Kind You Have Always Bought
 Bears the Signature of

PURELY PERSONAL

Mrs. William W. Evans departed on Monday for Taylor, Pa. to visit her mother.

Mrs. Ben Gidding is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Goldschmidt at Mt. Carmel.

Miss Elsie Hicks has been spending the past few days with Mr. and Mrs. William Guernsey at Wilkes-Barre.

Moses McHenry, of Stillwater transacted business in town on Monday. He gave us a call before returning home.

Mrs. Goldsmith, has returned to her home at Danville after a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Max Gross on First Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Heim and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wyle of Danville were the guests over Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gross on Normal Hill.

Miss Elsie Faust, who for the past two months has been visiting relatives at Sunbury and friends at Lancaster, arrived home yesterday. She will enter the employ of Miss Ella Watson, milliner.

Jas. C. Brown, H. A. McKillip and C. B. Robbins arrived home on Tuesday from New Mexico where they inspected the property of the La Grande Gold Mining Company. W. D. Beckley is still in New Mexico.

Coming our way, will be here next week, the big sensation "Wine Women and Song," the show that made the phenomenal run at Philadelphia last season. The company consists of 28 artists. The principal ingredients are droll comedians, graceful dancers, irresistible music and magnificent scenery.

Harry E. Wertman and Miss Jennie A. White, both of Lime Ridge, were married at the parsonage of the Lutheran Church in Espy, Thursday evening, by the Pastor Rev. H. C. Harman. The couple were unattended. They left after the ceremony for Harrisburg. They will reside at Lime Ridge.

Seven years in business is our reference. Gem Steam Laundry

The Bloomsburg Silk Mill base ball team will be in the field again this season. An organization is now being considered. The team will be minus the services of Price and Beagle, but there is considerable other good material to be developed and the boys hope to repeat the good work of last season.

After thirty years of experimenting, a machine has been devised to utilize the energy of the sun in a practical manner. It consists of a large concave mirror 36 feet in diameter and contains 1,000 square feet of mirror surface. In the centre of the mirror stands a boiler. With good sunlight the steam is brought to a pressure of 200 pounds in one hour.

Isaiah Hagenbuch has laid a good stone pavement in front of his property on the corner of Third and Jefferson streets, recently purchased from the Dr. Evans estate. He is also building a porch along the front of the house. These improvements will add greatly to the property, and make it one of the most desirable homes in that part of the town.

Wayne county claims some of the first citizens of the world. Hon. Otis Avery, of Honesdale, rode on the first locomotive that turned a wheel on this continent; William Pethick, of Bethany, helped to build the first railway in France, and William Hill, of Honesdale, was one of the men who first raised the American flag over the captured territory of California in 1846.

Arthur E. Savage, son of Mrs. Poecelia Savage, of Rohrsburg, graduated at Girard College, Philadelphia, on January 23rd. After graduation he had an operation performed on his nose at the Medico Chirurgical College, and upon his recovery he accepted a position as book-keeper for Ketterer & Georger, carriage builders. Mrs. Savage has been spending several weeks with him in the city, and returned home last Saturday.

The Winona Fire Company has secured the Lyman H. Howe Moving Picture Company for a benefit exhibition early in April. The scenes to be shown by Mr. Howe on this occasion are all new and will include a wonderful Egyptian series showing an actual trip from Cairo to Khartoum. The program will surpass anything ever shown here. The boys are in need of funds and are deserving of the support of everybody. The exact date will be announced later.

A Centralia Wedding.

William Lean and Miss Mary Pollard, two well-known young residents of Centralia, were married at the home of the bride Wednesday evening, Rev. J. W. Buckley of the Methodist church officiating.

NOTICE.

All persons holding Preferred Stock of the Bloomsburg Silk Mill maturing April 1st, 1903, can exchange same for a new issue of stock bearing interest at 5 per cent. payable semi-annually, or upon surrender of the old stock the First National Bank of Bloomsburg will pay the amount of same with interest maturing April 1st, 1903.

THE NEW Spring Dress Goods, Black and Colors Are Here Ready for Your Selection.

A \$1.00 quality imported English Mohair Sicilian in a rich deep black, lustrous 85c. a yard.
 Wool Crepe DeChine in black and colors. A Nisice bright Crepe effec. 75c. yd.
 Black and Navy blue all wool chevots, good weight at 50c a yard.

A Superb Showing of Spring Millinery In all the Latest Effects

Trimmed Hats
 In all the newest effects made from good materials. The products of our own workroom. They're stylish and moderate in price. We invite you to see them.

Untrimmed Hats.
 Big line of Silk, Mous De Soie and Straw Shapes ready for the trimming at moderate prices.

Dress Trimmings.
 A full line of the newest effects in Dress Trimmings, Drop Effects, Motefs, Bands Buttons, &c.

White Goods.
 All kinds. The largest line of white materials for all purposes. See our line of Mercetized materials and prices.

Artificial Flowers.
 The largest showing of these popular goods we have ever offered. Small blossoms, hops, fruits, berries, foliage June roses, &c. See the special roses at 12c. a bunch.

Ready to Wear Hats.
 All the newest effects in these popular hats at the lowest prices.

Silk Shirt Waists.
 A full line of these goods in Black, White and Colors from \$2.75 to \$8.00.

Wash Silks.
 Complete lines with plenty of white as well as colors. Prices 35c and 49c yard.

Spring Underwear.
 Our lines of these goods are ready. Special ladies' long sleeve vests 20c each.

H. J. CLARK & SON.

\$2.00 and \$2.50 **\$3.00 and \$3.50**
FREE! UNCLE SAM MADE FREE!
One Uncle Sam Sewing Machine

To the person returning to us the greatest number of certificates before August 1st, will be presented a **Fine Drop Head Sewing Machine** with all necessary attachments, guaranteed for five years.

One Certificate given with each Pair of **UNCLE SAM SHOES.**
F. D. DENTLER.

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WHAT'S WRONG?
 Your Eyes? Why?
 Probably you need glasses. Step in my store and let us examine your eyes. They may be the cause of your headaches.
Geo. W. Hess,
 OPTICIAN AND JEWELER, BLOOMSBURG, PENNA.

J. LEE MARTIN, JEWELER.
 FINE JEWELRY and DIAMONDS. cordially invite your inspection of our line of goods. No better assortment shown outside of the large cities.
 FINE LEATHER GOODS. FINE CUT GLASS. FINE IMPORTED CHINA. FINE BRIC-A-BRAC.
J. Lee Martin.

"A Break for Liberty," which portrays the Biddle Bros. tragedy at the Pittsburg jail, and which visited Bloomsburg recently, was prevented from exhibiting at Brookville Saturday. The Burgess, B. E. Irvin, and the Ministerial Association, objected to the performance on the ground that the play had a bad moral effect.

TAILOR-MADE SUITS.
 N. S. Tingley has accepted the agency for Reich, 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.