

THE COLUMBIAN.

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 1903.

Changes on the P. & R.

Along the P. & R. lines from Philadelphia to Williamsport, extensive improvements are being made in many places, and the company finds difficulty in securing the necessary number of masons, bricklayers and carpenters to push the work with the rapidity that is needed to accomplish what is contemplated before the winter months again set in and compel outside work to cease. Many stations are to be overhauled. At Gordon a 20,000 gallon water tank is to be constructed and other improvements are being made, requiring a large amount of masonry. Since the recent inspection of the road by Vice President Voorhees a number of changes on the Catawissa division have been halted. The work of installing the block system on that division has been suspended entirely and preparations for double tracking the road from White Deer to Montgomery have been discontinued until further orders. The Catawissa road has not been capable of handling the large volume of freight and it is thought that Mr. Voorhees' order means that most of the freight will shortly be sent over the Shamokin division.

Blank books and all stationery at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

Amusements.

The local theatrical season is fast drawing to a close. There are but four attractions yet to appear, they are "Wine Woman and Song," April 21st; "East Lynne," April 24th; "King of the Coal Fields," April 28th, and Barlow and Wilson's Minstrels, May 2nd. Taking it all the way through the season has been a very successful one. The attendance at every show with the possible exception of one or two, where the troupe's reputation preceded them the attendance has been good. This can be attributed in no small measure to the electric railway. And should the road be built to Millville and Orangeville this summer and there is every indication that it will be, business at the play house will be still better next season. As good patronage makes it possible to secure strong attractions, we may look forward to the appearance in Bloomsburg next year of some of the "top notchers."

We would call especial attention to the attraction for next Thursday night "East Lynne." This is one of the standard plays and will be given with all special scenery and a strong cast. The demand for seats will be large.

Death of a Former Resident.

Irvin Smoyer, died of consumption at the home of his aunt Mrs. Minnie Fox in Millville on Friday. Death came after a long illness, he having been afflicted with the disease for many years. The deceased formerly resided in Bloomsburg. While here he conducted a tailoring establishment, and was located in the room now occupied by John Bush as a confectionery store. He was thirty-four years of age and leaves a wife and five children. George, a surviving brother who also lived here several years ago, during which time he was a student in Dr. M. J. Hess' dental office, now resides at Newport, Perry County.

Attended the Easter Dance.

Bloomsburg was well represented at the Easter Dance, held at Catawissa Monday evening. The following were present: Misses Edith Miller, Claire Gross, Bess Bachman, and Bess Rawlings, and Messrs. Boyd Maize, Alfred Armstrong, W. Clark Sloan, Gerald Gross and Howard Clark. Our people report that it was one of the most delightful terpsichorean events that Catawissan's have given in recent years.

The New Council.

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son of having to wait until the regular or special meetings of Council in order to obtain building permits, he would suggest that the President and Town Engineer be empowered to grant them during the present year. On motion, duly seconded, the suggestion was adopted.

Mr. Reimard called the attention of Council to the fact that a number of sidewalks in various parts of the town that were ordered to be relaid last fall, had not received any attention, and stated further that complaints had been entered against several property owners relative to the bad condition of the sidewalks.

Bills of the month were presented and orders drawn.

A communication from C. E. Hower was read, in which he stated that he wanted \$50 per year rental for his barn now occupied by the Town. The rent in the past has been \$4.00 per month. President Townsend stated some immediate action was necessary as the lease on the building will have expired before the next regular meeting. The president was thereupon empowered to appoint a committee with power to act. Two other barns were offered one by Derr Bros. for \$50 per year and one by J. C. Rutter for \$3 per month.

Complaint of the condition of the crossing at Fifth and Spruce Streets was entered by Prof. J. H. Dennis. He was informed that the matter would be attended to.

SPECIAL MEETING.

The Council met in special session Tuesday night, with a full attendance. The purpose of the meeting was to hear the appointment of committees by the President, and to accept the bond of the treasurer W. B. Allen.

In making known his appointments, President Townsend stated that the first named in each instance is the chairman. The committees are as follows:

Finance—Pursel, Reimard and Hughes.

Light—Culp, Pursel and Giger.

Highways—Hughes, Cox and Giger.

Fire and Water—Reimard, Culp and Giger.

Sanitary—Cox, Hughes and Reimard.

The bond of Town Treasurer W. B. Allen in the sum of \$15,000 with Louis Cohen and D. W. Armstrong as sureties, was read and approved and the secretary was instructed to administer the oath of office to Mr. Allen.

The following special policemen from the various wards were then appointed:

First Ward—A. M. Wintersteen, Eugene Whitenight, Edward Splain and Benjamin Burrows.

Second Ward—George Belig, F. P. Baum, Clarence H. Hower, David Coffman, William Dieterich and Thomas Trump.

Third Ward—Theodore L. Smith, Harvey Giger, Daniel Stiner and George Gearinger.

Fourth Ward—John Corbett, Frank Dieterich, Wesley Shutt, George Jacoby and William Rupert.

Inasmuch as the laborers had been granted an increase of wages, it was decided that the compensation of the special policemen be increased also from \$1.25 to \$1.50 per day.

It was moved and seconded that the Bell Telephone Company be asked to install telephones in the residences of President Townsend and Chief of Police Wesley Knorr in return for favors granted said company by Council.

The matter of taxing electric light, telegraph and telephone poles in town was referred to the Town Solicitor.

A petition was presented by W. B. Ferguson, and signed by citizens residing below the carpet mill, asking that Snyder Run from the carpet mill to the line of the Boone property be dredged and drained. Mr. Ferguson stated that the petitioners had already raised \$115 for the purpose. He was instructed by President Townsend to collect as much money as possible toward defraying the expense that would be created by said improvement. The matter will then be referred to the Sanitary Committee.

It was decided that in the future, when any of the fire companies desire the use of the Town Hall for dancing, they must apply to the President for permission. It appears that the lock on the door of the room on the third floor was broken during the progress of the Liberty Co's. dance Monday night. The secretary was instructed to notify the Liberty Company to repair the damage at once.

The Sanitary Committee was instructed by President Townsend to investigate and see what is best to be done in regard to extending the sewer on East Fifth Street.

Bilious?

Dizzy? Headache? Pain back of your eyes? It's your liver! Use Ayer's Pills.

Want your moustache or beard a beautiful brown or rich black? Use Buckingham's Dye. 50 Cts. of druggists or R. P. Hall & Co., Nashua, N. H.

J. E. Roys Will Not Move.

It was announced some time ago that J. E. Roys would vacate the front room in the COLUMBIAN OFFICE at the expiration of his lease. Since that a new arrangement has been made, and his lease renewed for a period of five years. His room will be somewhat enlarged, and changes will be made in the COLUMBIAN rooms that will also give us more space, thus giving what both parties needed, namely larger quarters. The entrance to this office will remain as before, through Roys' Jewelry store.

Cigars. The Sweet Jaras are the finest in Bloomsburg for a 5c. smoke, try them, at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

Opening of a New Church.

With impressive services, the Episcopalians of this place says the Berwick Enterprise, formally opened their new church Sunday. Easter music rendered by a vested choir of boys lent a sweet and melodious charm to the auspicious occasion.

The new edifice is the realization of the efforts of Rev. D. N. Kirkby and of the rector, Rev. Digges, whose untiring efforts have achieved much.

In his sermon Rev. Digges spoke of the movement to secure the new church, stating that over 100 years ago the Episcopalians purchased a lot for a church site here, but did not fulfill their fondest desires until the new edifice was erected. Rev. Digges and his parishioners are in perfect harmony and all are happy in the possession of their new house of worship.

Dear Old Mother.

When time scatters white flakes over the once dark glossy hair of the dear old mother, and plants furrows on the cheek which you can remember as once being smooth and pink then is the time to love and cherish even more tenderly than ever before, that mother in the home. The eye may be dim, but it never fails to glow with love for man or woman who was once her little child, her sands of time are nearly run out, but her affections will last to the end. Then watch over her, as she watched over you; cheer her declining years with your own never waning devotion. She is your mother, whose place no other has or ever can fill. For years she gathered you in her arms in times of childish troubles; do not forget now to sometimes hold her arms to your heart and kiss her withered cheek.

To Enforce the Fish Law.

Now that the season is here for catching trout, it behooves the angler to be careful in his full observance of the fish laws, and the authorities will endeavor to enforce them to the strictest letter of the law. Wardens will patrol the streams during the season, and having the authority to examine the baskets of any fisherman, only the legal sizes should be taken from the streams. The nimrods predict a good season for the speckled beauties, and with an enforcement of the law, there will be enough at all times to provide a good day's sport without depleting the streams.

Epidemic of Smallpox.

At Proctor, a small village about twenty-four miles above Williamsport, smallpox in virulent form is epidemic and the school board has been organized into a Board of Health, and the town has been cut off from the outside world. There are over twenty cases in the place and a most deplorable state of affairs exists, as the disease has been raging there since January.

The Rupert Club have opened their club house for the season. A. C. Hilday is in charge. He informed the COLUMBIAN reporter on Saturday that thieves have been operating about the place. One night last week two coons and two rabbits were stolen. Only a few days before he had been offered twenty-five dollars for the coons. They were fine specimens and greatly admired.

Keeping House for the Brain.

The brain is an exacting tenant. Its home must be kept clean and fresh or there will be trouble with the landlord. The brain needs a constant supply of good, wholesome foods. "If", the new cereal, tastes good and supplies the nourishment needed, because "If" is made from brain strengthening grains, invigorates the tired system and kindler activities. You will like "If" at any meal. Grocers sell "If" 2-12 17

FIRE BOARD MEETING.

The Bloomsburg Fire Board held a meeting in the Town Hall Tuesday evening, with Chief of the Department P. B. Heddens in the chair. The members present were W. H. Gilmore, Harry Giger, S. W. Shutt, Clinton Ohl, E. D. Allison, A. B. Naylor and W. W. Hartman.

By casting the deciding vote, Chief Heddens settled the question with which the Board has long wrestled, that of precedence as "the fourth company of the department." The vote was a tie, at three each for the Good Will and Liberty, when Mr. Heddens voted for the latter, thus disposing of the matter finally.

Mr. Naylor moved to have E. D. Allison replaced by Frank Edwards as Third assistant chief, but the motion was defeated.

The resignation of Curtis Welliver, as secretary of the board having been accepted, Clint Furman was elected in his stead.

S. W. Shutt announced that the Rescue Company will burn the mortgage on their hose house in the near future, and he extended on behalf of the company an invitation to the other companies to be present.

The needs of the Good Will, and Rescue Companies a police rope and a dozen bottles of solution to be used in the chemical engine for the former and two steel bars and a five gallon oil can for the latter, made known by Mr. Naylor and Mr. Shutt, it was announced by Mr. Heddens would be supplied.

Eagles Entertained.

The boom session held by Theta Castle Knights of the Golden Eagle in their hall Tuesday night was a success notwithstanding the unfavorable weather conditions. More than a hundred and fifty guests were present and all enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent. The entertainment consisted of music by members of the Normal School orchestra, an address of welcome by Fred B. Hartman, a recitation by Miss Mary Correll, two vocal solos by Mrs. Harry Barton, several selections by the Cryder family orchestra of Willow Springs, an excellent address by Rev. G. H. Hemingway and vocal solos by H. Damer Geisinger and D. J. Tasker.

At the conclusion of the program refreshments of an excellent quality were served.

The committee in charge of the affair was composed of Dr. F. W. Redeker, Geo. P. Ringler, J. W. Lewis and Henry Knorr. The arrangements were complete in every particular and everything passed off without a break.

The council of St. Matthew's Lutheran church has received a communication from Andrew Carnegie in which he offers to pay half the cost of a new pipe organ for the church. The congregation for years has been desirous of purchasing a pipe organ but their finances would not permit of it. Mr. Carnegie's generous offer makes it quite likely that the organ will soon be forthcoming.

The Williamsport Gazette and Bulletin has issued a very handsome souvenir edition in commemoration of its centennial anniversary. It is printed in book form, and contains fifty pages. The matter is well prepared, and the number is beautifully illustrated. The Gazette and Bulletin is recognized as one of the leading daily publications of Central Pennsylvania.

One of the interesting features of the Sunday services in the Presbyterian Church was the wiping out of the indebtedness on the church property. Sufficient subscriptions and pledges were received to cancel the mortgage. The congregation is to be congratulated.

The trout fishing season came yesterday and notwithstanding the fact that the continual rains have made the water too high for successful ventures a number of our most ardent lovers of the sport departed for the head waters of Fishingcreek equipped with tackle and lures for the capture of the speckled beauties. For many days they have been talking about the glorious sport and anticipating the pleasure of it. If you have never walked along a brook, rod in hand and reel on hip do so this season and realize that life holds a great pleasure that you have missed.

Among those who left Tuesday night to be on hand where the trout live early Wednesday morning were W. B. Allen, Oscar Alexander, Jerry Hess, Harry Derr, O. B. Mellick, J. M. Kline and Edward Pursel.

You Know Where We Keep Store.

Do You Know What We Are Exhibiting?

Just Read Descriptions of a Few Offerings.

SUITS.

Black, navy or fancy cloths with new blouse jackets, lined with good tafeta and trimmed with fancy braids, newest sleeve. Skirts mostly walking lengths. Our Price, \$15.00

DOWN PILLOWS.

Good muslin coverings, 18 to 24 in., prices start at 25c., run to \$2.00 each.

SILK COATS.

Black silk Monte Carlo coats lined with mercerized lining, large turn over collar trimmed around edge with cream Venise Applique. Our Price, \$5.00

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CUT WORMS.

The Most Destructive of Early Insects for Tender Plants.

The most destructive insect of the early spring, especially to young and tender plants, are the cut-worms, which live in the soil and come forth to feed only at night. They are not often seen because they are concealed during the daytime, but their work is too well known to every one who has tried to make an early garden or has planted corn on a grass sod. They do their destructive work by crawling out of their subterranean burrows at night and cutting off the young plant just at or beneath the surface of the soil and eating away the part they choose to use as food. Some species, known as Climbing Cut-Worms, climb trees at night and feed on the young buds and the leaves of trees, especially fruit trees. They are of course quite destructive. The work of cut-worms is similar to that of earth-worms, excepting that the latter generally draw the end of the plants into their burrows after having broken it off or pulled it out, while the former generally eat away a portion at the base and leave the remainder where it fell.

There are a great many kinds or species of cut-worms but they are so nearly alike that only an expert can generally recognize the differences, and they are uniformly obnoxious, working by similar methods and generally attacking similar plants, in the same manner. They are the larvae, grubs, or "worms" of common grayish to dark-colored and thick-winged moths or "millers" about an inch or more in extent, which fly around lights so abundantly a little later in the summer. They are cylindrical, about a quarter of an inch in diameter, and about an inch long when fully grown, and dark or about the color of the soil, marked with stripes.

They pass the winter as immature larvae in the soil and in the early spring they become active and are prepared to eat the first available growing vegetation. They then feed and grow for a while, and next become pupae or chrysalids in cells in the ground. After a short quiescent pupal period they emerge as transformed or winged moths, and fly about in search of their mates and suitable places to deposit their eggs. They die after these are found and the eggs are laid.

As with most winged insects, especially of this general type, they do not take any food of importance in this adult state. There may be two or more broods per year, owing to temperature and food supply. They are most destructive in the early spring because then they are most voracious and there is but little uncultivated vegetation available for them to feed upon, and the cultivated

plants are smallest and their depredations are therefore most conspicuous and serious.

As the eggs from which they hatch are laid in the previous fall and the larvae attain a partial growth before winter we see why they are most abundant in corn on soil ground. They have been feeding on the grass and clover, but when this is destroyed by plowing they are forced to attack the young corn plants.

REMEDIES.

There is no one remedy that is entirely effective, but if the following are combined we are sure relief will be obtained. 1.—Destruction of all weeds and grass and unnecessary vegetation, especially in gardens. This will reduce their numbers in the summer and fall so they will not be so destructive the following spring. 2.—Hand picking, by finding where they have cut off plants and by digging slightly beneath the surface of the soil, find and crush the larvae. This is particularly effective just after a rain when their furrows or tunnels can be readily seen, looking like ridges made by minute moles. We know a practical and extensive farmer who regularly practices this method every spring thus going over all his corn fields and effectively destroying the insects. 3.—Plowing in the late fall so their cells in the ground will be broken and they will thus be destroyed. 4.—Board traps made by placing boards on the ground in the garden and picking the cut-worms from under them in the daytime while there concealed. 5.—A New England writer says he has trained his chickens to hunt for and exterminate the climbing cut-worms by first killing a few on the ground under the trees and as the fowls eat them they learn to scratch there for more. 6.—Poison bran is effective as a poison and is about the only means of applying a real insecticide. Stir one teaspoonful of Paris Green into a quart of water add one pound of coarse brown sugar or one pint of molasses with this moisten a gallon of bran (adding a little more water if necessary.) Stir the poison mixture through it well. Put a spoonful before the growing plants or where the seeds will be planted, a few steps apart all over the field, and cover it with soil to keep domesticated fowls from finding it. It will kill the cut-worms, but will also kill chickens if they find and eat it.

EGGS FROM PRIZE WINNERS.

Won 6 first and 3 second prizes at Bloomsburg County Fair last fall, with ten pair entered.

1st White Rock, 1st Barred Rocks 1st Rhode Is and Red, S. C. 1st Rhode Island Red, R. C. 1st White Wyandottos.

Eggs from pens headed by those winners \$1.50 for 15—1st White Crested. Black Polish, 13 eggs, \$3.00.

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