

Capital \$100,000 Surplus \$125,000
STRONGEST BANK IN THE COUNTY
First National Bank,
OF BLOOMSBURG, PA.

Make no mistake, but deposit your savings in the Strongest Bank.

OFFICERS:

W. M. LOW, President. J. M. STAVEL, Vice President.
 E. B. TUSTIN, Vice President. E. F. CARPENTER, Cashier.

DIRECTORS:

W. M. Low, F. G. Yorks, Frank Ikeler, J. H. Vastine
 E. B. Tustin, Fred Ikeler, Geo. S. Robbins, S. C. Creasy,
 J. M. Stavel, M. L. Low, Louis Gross, H. V. Hower.

THE COLUMBIAN.

ESTABLISHED 1866.

THE COLUMBIA DEMOCRAT.

ESTABLISHED 1837. CONSOLIDATED 1869
 PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY MORNING,
 At Bloomsburg, the County Seat of
 Columbia County, Pennsylvania.

GEO. E. ELWELL, Editor,
 D. J. TARKER, Local Editor,
 GEO. C. ROAN, Foreman.

TERMS:—Inside the county \$1.00 a year
 in advance; \$1.50 if not paid in advance.
 Outside the county, \$1.25 a year, strictly in
 Advance.

All communications should be addressed
 THE COLUMBIAN, Bloomsburg, Pa.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1903

"OUTLOOK FOR DEMOCRACY."

I was very forcibly impressed with the editorial of the *Harrisburg Patriot*, on the "Outlook for Democracy," with which the COLUMBIAN regaled its readers last week. The following prominent quotation should be carefully studied by every person who is interested in the prosperity and welfare of our country:

"As the Republican party claims credit for the unexampled industrial activity which started shortly before the outbreak of the war with Spain, and reached its zenith about two years ago, it must logically bear the responsibility for the termination of the so-called prosperity, which was really inflation and speculation, whose reaction has left hundreds of thousands worse off than they were before, and the end of which is not yet in sight. People have learned and are learning that the prohibitive tariff which prompted the formation of gigantic trusts, and wild and senseless inflation and speculation has brought ruin to countless thousands, is not the blessing they supposed it was; the reckoning will come at the polls next November."

A more ruinous picture could not well be drawn from any previous administration, or regime of administrative control of our government. It is a worse picture of calamity than that which was drawn as a result of the Bryan administration in case of election in 1896. Just what was predicted—inflation and speculation and ruin, under Bryanism, actually was the result under McKinleyism. "The people have learned and are learning," that an "honest" two hundred cent "dollar," with a prohibitive tariff is more ruinous under McKinleyism, than a "dishonest" fifty cent dollar with tariff for revenue only would have been under Bryanism.

At all events, it is not probable that such a ruinous condition would confront the people to-day if Bryan had been elected. It could not possibly have been worse. The policy that Bryan proposed would not have been instrumental in the accumulation of all the wealth into the coffers of the money power during the late prosperous industrial activity. It would have been scattered broadcast over the land with equal opportunity to gather wealth of rich and poor alike.

The *Patriot* says that: "Logically the Republican party must bear the responsibility" of such a condition. Probably it is so. But the Palmer and Buckner contingent, of which Cleveland was chief, are equally as responsible as the Republican party which made such a ruinous condition possible, being Republican allies.

They knew the policy of the Republican party and chose this ruinous course in preference to a genuine Democratic policy under which the people might prosper. Now the same Palmer and Buckner contingent, of which Cleveland is chief, propose to build up prosperity from the ruins of McKinleyism.

But from our past experience with Clevelandism there can be but little or no choice in "either horn

of the dilemma," although, the *New York World*, that treacherous paper, booms Cleveland. Under either regime, the money power is perfectly secure from molestation in their extortionate practices against the masses of the people. Both McKinleyism and Clevelandism are only tools in the hands of the money powers to rake from the people the fruits of their own labor.

JOHN C. WENNER.

John Mitchell on Strikes.

The most popular leader at the head of the forces of organized labor to-day is John Mitchell. He has shown himself to be a man of breadth of view, of tolerant spirit and of careful judgment and thoughtful labor unionists listen when he speaks.

Some of the men in places of power in labor circles have shown a tendency to be carried away by a sense of their own authority, and exert that authority by calling strikes on the slightest provocation. To all such, and, indeed, to organized labor in general, may be commended these words of Mr. Mitchell, uttered before a Boston labor union last Saturday night:—

Many persons think that I go about causing strife and strikes, while these are the things with which I wish to do away, by bringing capital and labor together.

I hope the day will come when agreements will abolish strikes and lockouts, and this will be only when both sides understand one another better.

These are sane words. They are the words of a far-seeing man. Mr. Mitchell perceives, as he is in a position which enables him peculiarly so to do, that the present spirit of antagonism between the employer and the employed can lead, ultimately, only to disaster for both. And because his reserve power is commonly less than that of the large employer, the working-man is destined to be the greater sufferer in such a war.

The way of wisdom and brotherhood, the enlightened, twentieth century way, in meeting these industrial questions, which must inevitably arise, is the way of conference, conciliation and arbitration. Thus, when the man who toils by his brain and capital comes into closer and more fraternal relations with the man who toils by his skill, there will be awakened a spirit of mutual helpfulness to take the place of that which too widely prevails to-day, a spirit of open hostility, or, at least, of exclusive self-interest. Labor and capital are the two oars of one boat, and both must work in harmony before there can be progress.—*Press*.

The Scranton Board of Trade is making a determined effort to bring President Roosevelt to that city to attend the annual banquet to be held in January.

Coughs

"My wife had a deep-seated cough for three years. I purchased two bottles of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, large size, and it cured her completely."
 J. H. Burge, Macon, Col.

Probably you know of cough medicines that relieve little coughs, all coughs, except deep ones!

The medicine that has been curing the worst of deep coughs for sixty years is Ayer's Cherry Pectoral.

Three sizes: 25c., 50c., \$1. All druggists.

Consult your doctor. If he says take it, then do as he says. If he tells you not to take it, then don't take it. He knows. Leave it with him. We are willing.
 J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

All Stuffed Up

That's the condition of many sufferers from catarrh, especially in the morning. Great difficulty is experienced in clearing the head and throat.

No wonder catarrh causes headache, impairs the taste, smell and hearing, pollutes the breath, deranges the stomach and affects the appetite.

To cure catarrh, treatment must be constitutional—alterative and tonic.

"I was afflicted with catarrh. I took medicines of different kinds, giving each a fair trial, but gradually grew worse until I could hardly hear, taste or smell. I then concluded to try Hood's Sarsaparilla, and after taking five bottles I was cured and have not had any return of the disease since." EUGENE FORD, Lebanon, Kan.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Cures catarrh—it soothes and strengthens the mucous membrane and builds up the whole system.

CHURCH CLUB MEETING.

The fourth meeting and banquet of the Church Club of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania was held at Williamsport on the 17th inst. There was a large attendance of members, but Bishop Talbot was prevented from being present by a railroad wreck. After the business meeting the banquet was held at Hotel Updegraff.

President Lambertson at the close of the dinner presented C. LaRue Munson, Esq., "ruler of the feast" Mr. Munson brilliantly officiated. He referred to the Church Club as an ideal means of bringing the laymen together and making them a unit in this diocese, which is the greatest in the land. Mr. Munson himself gave hearty welcome to the visitors, but called upon Hon. Emerson Collins to deliver a formal welcome. Mr. Collins responded in his able way, welcoming the members of the club for what they represent—an organization promotive of great good and helping to make the Golden Rule more a law of everyday life now in 1903 than it was in 1803.

William R. Butler, of Mauch Chunk, gave interesting echoes of the recent great missionary council in Washington and recalled some striking figures that were presented. There are 4,179 parishes now engaged in missionary work and the woman's auxiliaries alone last year gave \$89,716.87, while the children's missionary offering last Lent was \$116,897.25. In all last year \$1,200,000 was given for missions, yet appeals are turned down every month for want of funds. The story of the Good Samaritan teaches that when the opportunity comes nothing can justify its being neglected.

Colonel Clement, of Sunbury, voiced the imperative need of dividing the diocese and told of the committee sending out 3,000 appeals for interest in the work of raising a \$60,000 endowment fund. The money, he stated, must be proportioned according to the amounts for which each parish is assessed. Clergymen and laymen will canvas the large places and a solicitor will go to the smaller parishes. Colonel Clement is confident that the endowment fund will be raised by next June and the diocesan convention that then meets here will be called upon to decide what is best for the church.

Colonel Freeze, chancellor of the diocese, recalled the opposition in 1865 to the first division of the diocese of Pennsylvania and the final setting off of the Pittsburg diocese in the next year, and of the setting off of the Central Pennsylvania diocese in 1871. The drama of 1871 he expects to be re-enacted here and he would urge the naming of the new division the Diocese of Susquehanna. Colonel Freeze said that the bishops must be great leaders, but it is even better to be a layman, for it is the laymen who send out missionaries and who support the clergy.

After Dr. Foley had responded to "Our Guests," urging that the laymen be known as manly and Godly men, and presenting Williamsport's claim to be the chief city of the new diocese, if it be formed, the doxology was sung and the Rev. Mathews pronounced the benediction.

THE CLUB'S OFFICERS

The officers of the club for 1903 are: President, James M. Lambertson, St. Stephen's, Harrisburg; Vice President, Harrisburg Archdeaconry, Geo. N. Reynolds, St. James', Lancaster; Williamsport Archdeaconry, Charles M. Clement, St. Mathew's, Sunbury; Scranton Archdeaconry, Henry Z. Russell, Grace, Honesdale; Reading Archdeaconry, Guy F. Farquhar, Trinity, Pottsville; Secretary and Treasurer, Frank C. Angle, Christ (Memorial), Danville.

OBJECTS OF THE CLUB

The objects of the Club are to cultivate a better acquaintance among the Churchmen of the Diocese, and to increase their interest in the religious, moral and educational work of the church.

Any baptized layman of the Church, above the age of twenty-

"GET THE KEY."
TWENTY SILVER DOLLARS
 TO BE
Given Away.
 For Particulars see
 Window at
TOWNSEND'S
 Clothing Store,
 Bloomsburg, Pa.

one, is eligible to membership who is a supporter of the church in this Diocese and who shall be acceptable to the Council of the Church. Membership is terminated through admission to Holy Orders hereafter or any other loss of qualification. The bishop of the Diocese is ex-officio a member of the club.

ROYAL ARCANUM

Bloomsburg Council has held a number of open meetings, and they have always been very pleasant affairs, but one of the most enjoyable of them all was the one held last Friday evening. A large number of members and their friends were present, and an excellent program was rendered which included a solo by Mrs. H. S. Barton, music by La Tourette's orchestra, and speeches by H. V. White and G. E. Wilbur. Delicious refreshments were served under the direction of W. H. Hoisel.

Judge Hailey of Lowell, Mass., in his examination of candidates for naturalization, inquires particularly as to whether the applicants belong to the anarchistic societies, "or to any other societies inimical to the Government." He asked this question, at some length, a few days ago, of a worthy French Canadian, who caught the inquiry as to "the other societies" but lost the force of its application.

Hesitating for a moment with a puzzled expression upon his face, he finally said: "Oh yes, I do. I belong to the Royal Arcanum." The judge smiled, and admitted the candidate into citizenship—[Lowell Citizen].

From the Vineland (N. J.) Journal of September 1st:

"The Royal Arcanum is a great body of men, 275,000, banded together for the home. To become a member of this fraternal Order a man must be a good risk, morally as well as physically. A man who deals in whiskey cannot become a member. The fraternal feature of the Order is a valuable one and should receive careful attention by any one who is looking for real protection for the family. The Royal Arcanum is just what it pretends to be, a real protection for the home and family. No man who has a wife and children or other relatives who are dependent upon him in any way for support, can afford to be without the protection afforded by the Royal Arcanum."

The executive officers of the Associated Councils of the city of Philadelphia and vicinity have inaugurated a concerted movement for the double purpose of strengthening weaker Councils and contributing 2,000 new members between November 1, 1903, and April 30, 1904, with the object of having 40,000 in the jurisdiction at the end of the term. The movement has the endorsement of the Grand Regent, who on November 2nd opened headquarters in the Pennsylvania Building, 15th and Chestnut Sts., for the furnishing of information and distribution of literature. An apportionment of new members is to be made for each Council in Philadelphia and vicinity.

CASITORIA.
 Bears the Signature of
 The Kind You Have Always Bought
 J. C. AYER & CO., Lowell, Mass.

THIS STORE IS IN
Holiday Attire

We have made an early start, not too early however, as Christmas is only a few weeks off, and before you are aware of it some one will be calling "Merry Christmas" to you.

You must come often, to-day, tomorrow, next day, every day in fact, if you are to find all the pretty things, as some of the prettiest get pushed back. They need you to hunt them out.

Since it is the custom to make practical, useful gifts, everything in this store is suitable. Of course the fancy display is fine and Toy Land for the little chaps is in full swing. Bring them in to enjoy it.

F. P. PURSEL.
 BLOOMSBURG, PENNA.

THE STRENUOUS LIFE.
 Every day the system needs a certain quantity of nutritious matter to supply the deficiencies of the day before. The building up process must begin at the breakfast table. "Zit", the new cereal, tastes good and furnishes that material. A breakfast of "Zit" fits the entire body for the strenuous trials of the day. "Zit" is made of best selected wheat. "Zit" has a taste to it. One dish makes you want another. You can eat "Zit" at any meal. At grocers everywhere. 2-12-13

Manuscript Covers,
 Writing Tablets,
 Shipping Tags,
 Physicians' Envelopes,
 Envelopes for Everybody,
 Everything in the
 Printing Line.

JOS. WILLIAMS & CO.,
 HAVE OPENED A
FRUIT STORE
 AT 109 WEST MAIN STREET.
 Wholesale and Retail Commission Dealers in
Bananas, Oranges and Lemons
 AT VERY REASONABLE PRICES.

COLUMBIAN PRINTING HOUSE,
 Bloomsburg, Pa.