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### CALENDARS.

It is our custom to present a calendar to all subscribers who have paid within a year. We are adhering strictly to that rule this year. Those of our Bloomsburg subscribers who come under this head, can get a calendar by calling at the office. Those residing out of town will receive them by mail next week. If you do not get one, look at your last receipt and see if you are entitled to it.

### Centralia Loses School Principal.

W. S. Robinson, supervising principal of the Centralia public chools, was elected professor of School, succeeding E. E. Arnold, who takes a position on the Minerwent to Centralia from Berwick at fine eating bird roosts too high. the beginning of the present term. The Centralia schools have been closed during the smallpox epidemic. Mr. Robinson was popular there and many will regret to see him go.

Through the kindness of Superintendent Hackett, the local mail carriers are privileged to use without cost, the trolley cars, when in uniform or on duty. The carriers appreciate Mr. Hackett's generosity, as it saves them many steps.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Legal advertisements on page 7

A Merry Christmas to all our

H F. Dieffenbach has leased ing purposes.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Rinker were bereft of an infant child by death on Thursday last.

Albums will never go out of use and are very useful Christmas presents. See Mercer's stock before

Some folks are so busy digging ip trouble that they could not see a blessing if it hit them on the

Paul E. Wirt has moved all his offices to the factory on Iron Street, and his entire equipment is now under one roof.

We will show you a nice line of Holiday goods for Christmas 1903 J. H. Mercer, 108 Main St.

J. W. Prosser and family have their household goods to mathematics in the Shamokin High | Philadelphia, where they expect to reside in the future.

al Mining Company's engineering There will be fewer turkey corps on January 1st. Mr. Robin-dinners about this place than has There will be fewer turkey capacity. son is a graduate of Bucknell, and been for some years past. That

> Stand Lamps, Hanging Lamps, Hall Lamps, Bracket lamps, lamp fixtures of all kinds at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

Oscar Ernest and Miss Anna L. Raup, two popular young people of Pennsyl, were united in marriage by Rev. Altpeter, at Catawissa Saturday evening.

old grand-child of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Transeau, died of croup, at Thursday evening.

We also have some burnt wood novelties that are both pretty and cheap at Mercer's Drug and Book

The Christmas trade has been unusually large in Bloomsburg this year. Gift buying is on with a rush today. The whole town is throbbing with the gayety of the

Charles Sterling won a handsome \$6.00 punch bowl that was chanced off by W. S. Rishton on Friday. Mr. Sterling held only one chance while several others had twelve gone off on a vacation. One thing and fifteen.

at Mercer's are far superior ot any more than ten minutes to get up a in Bloomsburg, take a look at them.

has secured the services of Dr. tunates of the land of sunless days Aldinger and John Hummel for are lucky in one respect: they don't the season of 1904. Both made have to count out \$400 for a polar enviable records at Wilmington, bear skin coat. last season.

Plans are being formulated which will probably make possible the extension of the rural free delivery service throughout the entire south side of the county with the central or distributing office at Catawissa.

The White Milling Company, in keeping with its custom, yesterday PURELY PERSONAL presented each employee with a nice large turkey.

We are showing a very fine line of birch bark novelties and trinkets that are made by the Penobscott Indians of Maine. Trimmed with Indian sweet grass that never looses its fragrance. Mercer's Drug and

Mrs. Mary McHenry passed away at the home of her son, George Mc-Henry at Benton, Thursday of last week, in her seventy-eighth year. The funeral took place on Saturday. Services were held in the Chrastian Church at Derrs.

The Mantelli Grand Opera Co. which was to have appeared here Saturday last was concelled by the Opera House Manager. The at-tendance at the play house of late has been so discouraging that he feared he could not raise the guarantee.

"Whitewashing Julia" is the title of a new play. This opens up new possibilities for the playwrights, who have recently had hard work finding titles for their pieces. We may also expect to hear of "Scrubbing Suzan,"
"Painting Penelope," "Rubbing
Rebecca," etc.

Light Street is to have a genuine up to date minstrel entertainment on New Year's night. Nothing in minstrelsy has been overlooked, and the show promises to be one that will do the young men credit. The proceeds will go to the Light Street Band, and the P. O. S. of A. Hall should be packed.

Edward Broadt will leave to-day for East Prospect, Pa. where he will be married to-night to Miss Maggie Lee, formerly of town. The lower side of the Funston property, corner of Market and the race at Irondale for ice harvest- Fifth Streets has been furnished for their occupancy and they will go to housekeeping at once.

> We have received from J. H. Maize, agent of the Title Guaranty and Trust Company, of Scranton, a large desk blotter. This company does a general business in its line, furnishing security on bonds of administrators, guardians, trustees, public officers and everybody who has to give a bond for faithful performance of duty.

HIGHEST cash prices paid for all kinds of raw furs by F. R. Drake, 440 East 4th St., Bloomsburg Pa. Always home on Satur-

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the Sunday School of the M. E. church of Buckhorn will render the Helen M. Transeau, a three year ducted by Mrs. J. E. A. Bucke wives and ladies. will be given by fourteen girls. Also a "Magic Christmas Tree" the latter's home on Iron Street, will be displayed. All are invited.

> mirth and music. They have secured S. Ansbach, the celebrated magician, for the occasion, and an orchestra will be present. Elks will be here from other towns, and the overwork of mind or body, exevening will be a delightful one.

must have let 'em fly open and then sure, if this Maine weather keeps up it will swell the Esquimo mission Lamps. The designs in lamps fund. One needn't be out of doors supply of sympathy for the poor wall-eyed denizen of the icy hut up The Wilmington Base ball club in reindeer land. But those unfor-

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John G. McHenry of Benton, was in town

Clyde Hirleman, of Benton, was in town

Louis Buckalew is clerking in Dentler's

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wigfail are visiting n Philadelphia.

Joe Cohen is home from Penn'a. Univer-

Frank Zarr is home from Gettysburg Col-ege, for the holidays,

Dr. J. S. Lazarus, of Mt. Carmel, spent esterday in town.

Elwell Funk is home from Lehigh Uniersity for the holidays,

Donald Herring of Princeton University, s home for the holidays,

Geo. Mausteller, of Jerseytown, dropped to see us on Monday,

J. E. Roys has placed a handsome new sh register in his store E. H. Sloan of Orangeville, was circula-

ng on our streets yesterday. Miss Roth Turner went to Philadelphia n Tuesday to visit relatives,

Ray Hagenbuch is home from achool at Lawrenceville for the hotidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Williams, of Scrann, are spending the holidays here. Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Yorks arrived home rom New York City Saturday afternoon,

Mrs. B. A. Gidding and daughter, are risiting Mrs. Gidding's parents at Mt Car-Mr and Mrs. M. P. Lutz went to Chicago on Monday to spend a week with their son

Capt. John M. Buckalew, one of Fishingreek township's stalwarts was in town on Friday.

Samuel J. Harvey, one of Benton's repre sentative citizens was noticed on our streets Tuesday. Dr. and Mrs. A. K. Aldinger went to Wilmington, Del., on Monday to spend

Christmas. Mrs. Wm. Leverett, of Phila., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Geo. E. Elwell. Mr. Leverett will arrive today.

Lafayette Keeler, of Benton, passed through town on Tuesday on his way to Pske County, where he is engaged on a

umber job. Mr and Mrs. Frank Kirk and daughter of Watsontown, are the guests of Mrs. Kirk's parents Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Frymire on

Harry Wilbur, a student of Dickinson College, Carlisle is spending the Christmas va-cation with his parents, Frof. and Mrs. Wil-bur, on First Street.

Miss Leah Shultz arrived at her home at Rohesburg, on Saturday, from Montrose, Pa

where she is teaching school. She will re-main over the holidays. William Peacock who is employed by P. McManus & Co. at Glen Campbell, Indiana ounty, is spending the holidays with his

nother on Centre Street. Mrs. C. W. McKelsy and daughter Margaret went to Philadel ha to spend a week, and Mrs. McKelsy had an attack of grippe which kept them through the second weed, and as soon as she was able to come home Margaret was taken sick with tonsilitis, which delayed them another week. Mr. McKelvy went down after them, and contracted a severe cold. They all returned home on Monday.

The Wheelmen cleared \$242.00 on their minstrel show.

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Sheriff-elect William W. Black shipments made, one last week to took oath of office before Register Liverpool and one this week to and Recorder J. C. Rutter, Jr. yesterday. He is now ready to take charge of the office on January 1ts.

> For Bibles and Testaments both large and small go to Mercer's

> Roy Workheiser of Jerseytown, sold nearly four tons of turkeys in the Mahanoy City markets this week. He will go to the same market next week with two more tons.

The Catawissa Hose Company On the evening of Christmas day has issued invitations for its first annual dance to be held in Irvin's church of Buckhorn will render the Hall, Dec. 29. The Friendship service entitled, "Christmas Joy Fire Company of town will attend Bells." The noted fau drill con- in uniform, accompanied by their

This is a hard season for traveling theatrical troupes, and they are falling by the way daily. No less The Elks are planning to have than fifteen local engagements have open house New Year's eve. An been cancelled within the last week, entertaining and enjoyable program and unless something turns up in is being arranged including magic, the meantime the town will be showless till Jan. 15.

# Worry, Care, Grief.

posure, loss of sleep, too much food, too little food, the wrong food, or This is the weather when one any of fifty causes may provoke an wishes his ears were made of tin or attack of rheumatism, kidney trousome other nerveless stuff. The ble or gout. On first signs use Dr. man in charge of the cold gates David Kennedy's new medicine, Cal-cura Solvent, and write to the Cal-cura Company, Rondout, N. Y., for a booklet, and a free sample bottle.

### \$8,000 for the Loss of a Leg-

The case of Herman Fullmer vs. the New York Central Railroad Company, the plaintiff suing for damages for the loss of a leg, was tried in the civil court at Williamsport last week. The defendant's attorney took the stand that no negligence had been shown and called to witnesses. The jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff for \$8,000. Fullmer was an employe of the company and was making repairs under a car which was struck by a shifting engine.

# A Merry Christmas to all!! H. J. CLARK & SON.

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Geo. W. Hess.

OPTICIAN AND JEWELER,

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