

THE COLUMBIAN.

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1904.

COURT HOUSE NEWS.

At the Prothonotary's office we learn that the following couples have received marriage licenses since our last issue:

H. E. Shellhamer, of Evansville, and Miss Arminta Keifer, of Evansville.

William H. Harman, of Berwick, and Miss Emma May Hill, of Berwick.

Murray Miller, of Berwick, and Miss Eva Nyce, of Stroudsburg, Pa.

H. R. Cole and Miss Debbie Trivelpiece, both of Greenwood township.

DEEDS RECORDED.

D. A. Michael and wife to Amanda Sliker, West Berwick.

D. E. Troy's admr's, to Sarah M. Troy, Beaver twp.

Wm. Shellhamer's heirs to H. W. Hess, Mifflin twp.

M. M. Hicks et. al. to L. Augusta Welsh, Berwick.

H. W. Hess and wife to Charles Spaid, Mifflin twp.

David A. Michael and wife to M. L. Kunkle, West Berwick.

Henry E. Shotwell and wife to Wm. E. McQuay, Mifflin twp.

T. Harvey Doan et. al. to Peter Farver, West Berwick.

H. T. Everitt and wife to B. & S. R. Co., Benton.

Wm. Rechel, guardian, to Thos. M. Mensch, Catawissa.

Thos. M. Mensch and wife to John G. Mensch, Catawissa.

Christmas Entertainment in M. E. Church Bloomsburg.

The following beautiful Christmas Programs will be rendered by the M. E. Sunday School assisted by the Church Choir and S. S. orchestra, on Thursday Evening, Dec. 24th, at 7 o'clock sharp:

- Organ Prelude.....Mrs. Fred Holmes
Song.....The Shepherds.....School Prayer.....The Pastor Christmas Greeting.....Sarah Garrison
What the Stockings hold.....Six Little Girls A Christmas Dream.....Margaret Tabbs
Recitation.....Carl Bachman
Song.....Primary Class
Recitation.....Lolita Winders
Gifts for Mrs. Santa's Stocking.....
By Ethal Shoemaker and class of boys
Song....."The Angels, Chorus".....School
Recitation "Birdie's Breakfast" Mable Keister
Solo.....Helen Hartman
Exercise.....
Starry Flag and Banner of the Cross
Anthem.....Savior and King.....Choir
Recitation.....A little Secret.....Hellen Huff
Solo.....Day of Days.....Mrs. H. S. Barton
Song.....By Graduating Class
Solo.....Martha Vetter
Song.....Message of Christmas Time.....Echol
Organ Postlude.....

The Pigs Squealed on Him.

Erin Brittain, a resident of Benton township, had a lot of pigs, and they squealed on him. Not, however, until they had been unceremoniously and abruptly dumped out into the public highway. The squealing occurred Monday night, Brittain was transporting the pigs down the hill above Benton. They were in a big wagon twenty-five of them, and on the steepest part of the hill when the tongue of the wagon broke, and away went the horses down the incline, accompanied by the squeals of the pigs. It is said that a pig under a gate will make a lot of noise, that two pigs under a gate will make more, but what do you think of twenty-five in a runaway. Accustomed as the people of that section are to the violent emotion of pigs this demonstration of swine lung power beat everything they had ever heard, and so alarmed them that the entire populace in every direction for a radius of a mile was out, and so were the pigs. The wagon had upset, and the porkers, with their characteristic liking for increased latitude, scampered off toward every point of the compass. Luckily for Mr. Brittain, he has many friends, and they at once, with lanterns in hand started in pursuit of the wondering wootsies, and oh, what a time they had. Hogs are such intelligent animals, and these were genuine hogs. Well, they hunted and hunted, with only the light of the stars and lanterns to guide them until every porker had been found. They were assembled in the middle of the road, and under protest driven home.

It was the greatest excitement Benton township has had in a long while. An old fashioned political meeting is the nearest approach to it, and the pigs had that "skinned to death."

Subscribe for THE COLUMBIAN and get the Farm and Fireside and a handsome picture free. The regular price of the three is \$2.50. We will give them all to you for one dollar.

An Ancient Foe

To health and happiness is Scrofula—as ugly an ever since time immemorial. It causes lumps in the neck, disfigures the skin, inflames the mucous membrane, wastes the muscles, weakens the bones, reduces the power of resistance to disease and the capacity for recovery, and develops into consumption.

"A bunch appeared on the left side of my neck. It caused great pain, was lumpy, and became a running sore. I went into a general druggist. I was persuaded to try Hood's Sarsaparilla, and when I had taken six bottles my neck was healed, and I have never had any trouble of the kind since." Mrs. K. T. SNYDER, Troy, Ohio.

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Letter From Council Bluffs, Iowa.

EDITOR COLUMBIAN.—

DEAR SIR:—I have been reading your valuable paper for the last year through the kindness of my sister, Mrs. Jacob Terwilliger, and you will find enclosure for another year's subscription. I don't suppose you remember me as I left there in '65. Well, I am the same good democrat that I was at that time. I am the one that prevented the republicans from burning down the pole that stood at the corner of my father's shop the fall of '60. I was watching the pole as the Rep's said they would never vote under the stars and stripes if it hung from a hickory pole but they did and I got the anger that they left in the pole. They did not vote the next day.

Well, I sent you an Oxygenor magazine some time ago, I hope you got it. If they had some of them at Pittsburg they would soon get rid of the fever. If they are used according to directions they will break any fever. I have never lost a single case of fever, appendicitis or gall stone. I have sold 500 in the past two years. There are seven doctors using them here for everything but amputation. As by its use it removes the cause and the disease will cure itself, as we breathe through the pores of the skin the same as through the lungs, and when the pores are open the impurities in the system will pass off. Oxygen is the last remedy when all others fail and is just what we want. If we could breathe enough in our lungs we would not be sick.

I had one case where the husband had small-pox very bad and the wife got an Oxygenor and used it on her husband and on herself, on the mother and four children and there was not one of them took the disease. There was not a particle of medicine used by the husband or any of the family.

We have a fine city of 42,000 with 14 trunk lines of railroad and another one coming. We have had very fine crops of everything but potatoes which is only about one half crop. Corn is 32 cts., oats 30 cts., wheat No. 1, 70 cts., No. 2, 60 cts., apples best 1.00, potatoes 80 cts. Grapes were not a full crop. Real estate is on the boom; good farms \$60 to \$100 an acre.

With best wishes, J. M. PATTON.

Extensive Repairs to a Church.

Extensive repairs and improvements are in progress at the Baptist Church. The whole interior is being painted and repaired, new seats will replace the old ones, and the balance of the woodwork will be grained to harmonize. The exterior too will be redressed with paint, and the building when it is ready for occupancy, which will be on January 3rd, will present a very handsome appearance. The congregation on Sunday worshipped with the Presbyterians. They will unite with the Methodists next Sunday.

Farmers' Stationery.

Farmers and others, particularly those living on the rural delivery routes should have printed stationery as well as business men. It is not only more business like to send a letter with name and address printed on the note head and envelope, but it insures the return of the letter in case it is not delivered. We are especially well equipped to do this class of printing, and can do it promptly and neatly at a less price than you pay for the paper and envelopes at retail stores.

New Year's Reception.

The Young Women's Christian Association will hold a reception on New Year's Night in Evans' Hall, from 8 to 10:30 o'clock. Refreshments will be served, and the occasion will be enlivened by good music. All friends of the Association are invited. The program will be published in our next issue.

CALENDAR PADS FOR 1904

ALL SIZES. For sale at THE COLUMBIAN OFFICE.

FIRE AT CENTRALIA.

A fire, the origin of which does not appear to be known, destroyed the homes of six families at Centralia early Friday morning. The alarm was sounded and willing workers responded to the call, but the distance from the plugs was so great that they could not be used, and the bucket brigade was unequal to the emergency. Those rendered homeless were John Haney, Thomas McGonnel, Mrs. Mary Haney, Patrick McDonough and Charles and James McGuire.

This fire illustrates anew the old saying that misfortunes never come singly. Centralia has had a siege of small pox, which closed its schools, prevented intercourse with surrounding towns and stagnated business generally. The situation just now however is brighter and getting more so each succeeding day. The schools were opened on Monday and the afflicted ones are all on a fair road to recovery.

Another Baloo Game.

People Swindled by Grocery Agents at Harrisburg.

Swindlers who are believed to be working this way, made a very rich haul at Harrisburg recently. The following, showing the game worked, is taken from the Patriot: "Solicitors claiming to represent the Gatt Pratt Food Co., of Pittsburg, buncoed a number of West End residents last week. "These solicitors, it is alleged, went around to the houses offering groceries by the wholesale at a much lower price than that for which the goods could be got elsewhere. When the time for delivery of the goods came around only a small portion of them were given out but collections were made for the entire orders. The agents said the rest would come the next day. Most of the people took the bait, and the rest of the goods are not yet in sight and the agents have not since been seen."

A large line of all kinds of books at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

A NEW MARY ANN PROBLEM.

The North American a few weeks ago printed a Mary Ann problem, which caused many people to rack their brains. The problem was a good one, and since that time many other newspapers have given their readers problems. The COLUMBIAN herewith presents a new one: "If Ann was 18 when Sam was 10 how is it that when Sam is 25 Ann is only 22?"

If Mary and Ann were both brunettes when Mary was Ann's age now and if Ann is a blonde when she is as old as Mary was then, how much does it cost a bottle?

If Ann goes to the theatre in a carriage, carries a bunch of roses and has supper afterward, what does Charley get a week?

NOTICE TO BONDHOLDERS.

The following bonds of the Columbia County Agricultural Society have been drawn for payment. Numbers, 7, 28, 42, 61, 71 and 75, amounting to \$1,500. Interest on these bonds will cease January 1st, 1904. JAMES C. BROWN, Treasurer.

GET IT AT GILMORE'S.

Are you looking for toys or games for the little ones? If so visit W. H. Gilmore's Toy Bazaar. You will find there an immense line of goods suitable for Christmas gifts. Never before has he had such an assortment, and you are sure to find just what you want for the little folks. There are Dolls, Wagons, Iron Toys, Dishes, all kinds of Games, Tree Decorations, and a thousand other articles. Every Holiday wish for the little ones can be gratified. The entire third floor is filled with goods and you are invited to call, and look over the line.

SPECIALISTS FAILED; CAL-CURA SUCCEEDED.

Cured by One Bottle of that Wonderful New Medicine, Cal-cura Solvent. Your Money Back if it Does Not Cure.

MATTEWAN, N. Y., Sept. 1, 1902.

My case is so remarkable that I want to tell you all about it. I suffered from bladder trouble for about 25 years, and had tried all the doctors about here, and also two specialists in New York, without getting any help. Last August I bought a bottle of Cal-cura Solvent, Dr. Kennedy's new medicine. I had not been able to work at my trade (boiler making) for some time, but after taking one bottle of Cal-cura Solvent, I began work and have been working ever since.

Yours truly, MARTIN FULLER.

If your druggist does not have Cal-cura Solvent, write to the Cal-cura Company, Rondout, N. Y.; but ask your druggist first. \$1.00 a bottle. Only one size. Guarantee: Your druggist will return your money if Cal-cura fails to cure, and the Cal-cura Company will pay the druggist. Remember, Cal-cura Solvent cures 98% of all cases of Kidney, Bladder and Liver disorders.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson in the International Series for December 27, 1904—Review and Christmas Lesson.

THE LESSON TEXT.

(MATTHEW 2:1-12)

1. Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem.

2. Saying, Where is He that is born king of the Jews? for we have seen His star in the east, and are come to worship Him.

3. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

4. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.

5. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet,

6. And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel.

7. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, inquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.

8. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found Him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship Him also.

9. When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

10. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

11. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary His mother, and fell down, and worshipped Him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto Him gifts, gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

12. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

GOLDEN TEXT.—Thou shalt call His name Jesus: for He shall save His people from their sins.—Matt. 1:21.

(Matt. 2:1-3) "When Jesus was born:" "Jesus having been born"—a sentence introductory to the story of His reception by the wise-men. "Herod the king:" "A name of evil omen; called the Great; great in energy, in magnificence, in wickedness." "Wise-men:" Sometimes called by the Greek name Magi; a class of oriental students especially interested in the science of the stars, which played a very large part in their religion. They represented the best elements in the heathen world, as Herod the worst elements of the Jewish world. "From the east:" Arabia, Persia or Babylonia, perhaps—the historian did not know, or if he did, did not tell. "Where is He:" They naturally sought the King at the capital, and must have been surprised to find no news of His birth. "Saw His star in the east:" Rather, according to Bruce, in its rising. What this appearance was we do not know. "The whole system of astrology was a delusion, yet it might be used by Providence to guide seekers after truth."—A. B. Bruce. "He was troubled:" Herod was a usurper; the thought of a rival filled him with alarm. He had not ruled according to Jewish ideas and knew that the people would welcome his downfall.

(Vs. 4-9) "The chief priests:" Probably not the Sanhedrin in this case, but all the learned "doctors" or teachers. "Through the prophet:" Micah (5:1,2). "Privily:" Secretly. "Exactly what time the star appeared:" That he might know the age of the child. "That I also may come and worship Him:" An attempt to disarm the suspicion of the Magi.

(Vs. 10-12) "And when they saw the star:" For the second time. "The house:" The census was long over, and the crowd gone. It was no longer necessary to remain in the stable. "Gifts:" The gifts were of three kinds. This accounts for the surmise that there were three wise-men. It was customary to bring presents to a king, and the homage paid him was frequently called worshiping, though in this case the wise-men may have realized the greatness of Him before whom they bowed, and have worshiped Him as more than ordinary man.

BRIEF QUARTERLY REVIEW.

Lesson I. David Brings up the Ark. 2 Sam. 6:1-12....Golden Text: Ps. 84:4.

Lesson II. God's Covenant with David. 2 Sam. 7:4-16....Golden Text: 2 Sam. 7:16.

Lesson III. David's Confession. Psa. 51:1-17....Golden Text: Ps. 51:10.

Lesson IV. David's Joy Over Forgiveness. Psa. 32....Golden Text: Ps. 32:1.

Lesson V. David and Absalom. 2 Sam. 15:1-2....Golden Text: Ex. 20-12.

Lesson VI. David's Grief Over Absalom. 2 Sam. 18:24-33....Golden Text: Prov. 17:25.

Lesson VII. David's Trust in God. Psa. 23....Golden Text: Ps. 23:1.

Lesson VIII. The Curse of Strong Drink. (World's Temperance Lesson.) Prov. 20:1-23, 21, 29-35....Golden Text: Prov. 20:1.

Lesson IX. David's Charge to Solomon. 1 Chron. 28:1-10....Golden Text: Prov. 3:5.

Lesson X. Solomon's Wise Choice. 1 Kings 3:4-15....Golden Text: Prov. 9-10.

Lesson XI. The Dedication of the Temple. 1 Kings 8:1-11, 62, 63....Golden Text: Ps. 122:1.

Lesson XII. The Queen of Sheba Visits Solomon. 1 Kings 10:1-10....Golden Text: Prov. 20:2.

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.

"Jesus was born." Thus He became one with ourselves, taking our infirmities upon Himself.

"Jesus was born in Bethlehem." And yet He was the Word who was in the beginning with God, and who was God.

"Jesus was born in Bethlehem." Never before did such a babe come into the world!

"Jesus was born in Bethlehem." But the story does not end there. He lived, died, rose again and is now at the right hand of God for us.



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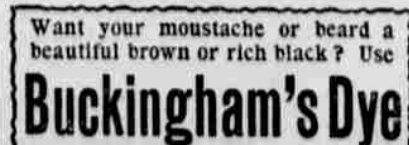
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