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BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1905.

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Club Offers.

Our Club Offers for 1905 are as follows:

The COLUMBIAN and New York Thrice-a-Week World, - - - 1.65

The COLUMBIAN and Tribune Farmer, - 1.25

The COLUMBIAN and American Farmer - 1.00

all strictly in advance. We have but 100 copies of the American Farmer to give away. They will go to the first advance paying subscribers who call. Don't wait too long. tf.

LOCAL NEWS.

Legal advertisements on page 7. Leases and quit notices for sale at this office 4t.

Charles W. Hess has disposed of his milk route to Herman Kressler.

This year of 1905 is somewhat out of the ordinary inasmuch as there are 53 Sundays, the first and last day coming on the Sabbath.

The year 1904 will go down in history as a record breaker for accidents and crime. Never before has there been so many fire horrors, railroad accidents and murders.

The girl who poses as a street flirt or lounges about in public places during evenings, is the girl whose name may be heard where men congregate to revel in idle words.

W. C. Thompson, the first man in advance of "Dora Thorne" Co.; a dramatization of Bertha M. Clay's book of the same name, which appears here next Thursday evening is in town today.

Philip Moser, formerly proprietor of the Heddens House, Danville, on Monday purchased from Lloyd Cooper, the hotel property on the Danville and Washingtonville road recently owned by the late Fred Moser.

Wallace Vannatta arrived home from the City Hospital, Wilkes-Barre, on Thursday, after having undergone a very critical operation. He is much improved and his complete recovery is only a matter of a short time. Dr. Bruner accompanied him to the hospital and was with him while the operation was being performed.

After having been in the circus business for twenty-two years Walter L. Main, who has frequently exhibited in Bloomsburg and neighboring towns, has sold his entire show to W. P. Hall, of Lancaster, Mo., for \$120,000. Mr. Main's circus has always been noted for its fine horses and the clean, new-like appearance of the equipment.

The death of John R. Mordan occurred at the home of his son Frank Mordan, near Mordanville Friday morning, aged seventy-six years. Death was due to pneumonia, after an illness of only four days. The deceased was a veteran of the Civil war, and leaves to survive him the son above mentioned and a daughter, Mrs. Millard Musgrave.

WANTED:—10 men in each state to travel, tack signs and distribute samples and circulars of our goods. Salary \$75.00 per month, \$5.00 per day for expenses. KUBLMAN CO., Dept. 5 Atlas Building, Chicago. 1-26 8t

The Alonzo Hatch Moving Picture Company will appear in Bloomsburg for the benefit of the Methodist Church Wednesday evening, March 1. The company carries an artist in the way of a harp player, and the entertainment has won much favorable comment in the cities where it has been given.

Charles P. Elwell will receive pupils in pianoforte and harmony. Terms reasonable. Call or address 233 West Third street. tf

A man in a neighboring town who secured his wife through a matrimonial agency is trying to secure a divorce. Just another instance of finding that mail order bargains are not just as represented and that a much better grade of the same article could have been obtained at home. Good enough for him; he ought to patronize home industry. The home grown article is usually the best.

The Board of Public Buildings and Grounds at Harrisburg on Tuesday approved the plans of the engineers for the rebuilding of the destroyed portion of the river bridge at Catawissa, a new bridge over Catawissa Creek at the Paper Mill, and one at Shuman's. The matter of the bridge over the river at Berwick was submitted to the Attorney General for an opinion. A change in the site has been asked for and the Board questions the liability of the State to build it.

It was in a town up the creek. The preacher was innocent in it and did not intend to cast a reflection on the choir, when a Sunday or two ago most of the singers had bad colds and their seats were empty he selected a hymn he thought the entire congregation could sing and said: "Since Providence has seen fit to afflict the choir with bad colds let us all join in singing 'Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow.'" Most of the choir were so mad they talked of resigning.

We hear a great deal about the wicked avarice of titled foreigners, who pursue and marry American heiresses, but we do not hear half enough about those female vulgarities, who are accomplices to the indecency and, who permit themselves to be chased by every foreigner of rank, without knowing and apparently without caring, whether he is an impostor or a gentleman. No well bred and self-respecting woman will ever be caught by a foreigner, on account of his title.

HENRY W. CHAMPLIN, M. D., EYE, EAR, NOSE AND THROAT SPECIALIST, ENT Building, Bloomsburg, Pa

AT FOUNTAIN SPRINGS.

Dinner Party Entertained by Dr. and Mrs. Biddle.

In response to invitations sent out a week previously, there gathered at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Biddle at the Miners' Hospital, at Fountain Springs, on Tuesday afternoon, a company of ladies and gentlemen from several towns in this section of the state. There were present Hon. William A. Marr, Assistant Law Judge of Schuylkill County; Hon. Voris Anten, Assistant Law Judge of Northumberland County, and Mrs. Auten; Mr. and Mrs. Allison, of Port Carbon; Mr. and Mrs. McConnell, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Adams, of Shamokin; Dr. and Mrs. Lathrop of Hazleton; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Elwell, of Bloomsburg; Mr. and Mrs. William Heaton, Mr. and Mrs. Harper, Miss McConnell, Rev. Augustus Schleich and Mr. Frank Laubenstein, of Ashland.

A few weeks ago a reception was given by Dr. and Mrs. Biddle at the debut of their daughter, Miss Marie, and this dinner was given to the ladies who assisted at that time, or who had been invited to assist but were unable to be present. Very much to the pleasure and good fortune of the husbands, they were included in the invitations, and they were all there. It was a jolly party of congenial people, gathered together in a beautiful home, participating in an elaborate dinner of most delicious viands, and charmingly entertained throughout by a host and hostess who left no room for a dull moment from the beginning to the end of the evening. After the dinner the time was spent in games and music, and the dancing of the Lancers, in which the young and the more elderly guests participated, afforded much amusement. It was throughout a very delightful occasion.

SILVER WEEDING.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. DeWitt celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage on Wednesday. A large company was entertained by them at their home on West street during the afternoon. Mr. DeWitt was for many years engaged in the mercantile business at Orangeville, but moved to Bloomsburg a few years ago, and has retired from business. He and his wife have many friends throughout the county who wish that they may live to celebrate their golden wedding.

Another Gray's Appeal to Women. If you have pains in the back, Urinary, Bladder or Kidney trouble, and want a certain pleasant and sure remedy for woman's ills, try Mother Gray's Australian-Leaf. It is a safe and powerful monthly regulator. All Druggists or by mail 50 cts. Sample package FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y. 2-24

A New Columbus Death.

New Columbus lost a long time and highly esteemed resident early Sunday morning when Nathan Hess passed away in the seventy-eighth year of his age. Death was due to a paralytic stroke, together with old age. A wife and two daughters, Mrs. Rev. Boone, of Black Creek and Mrs. Zeb Stevens of New Columbus survive, together with a sister, Mrs. Polly Brader of Salem, Luzerne County, and two brothers, Aaron Hess of Millinville, and Reuben Hess, residing on West Third Street, this town. The funeral occurred from the family residence yesterday, and interment was made in the cemetery at New Columbus.

The Ex-Ninth Regiment basket ball team, of Wilkes-Barre, in a game marked by fast and considerable rough playing lowered the colors of the Normal five before a large and enthusiastic audience in the gymnasium Saturday night by the score of 25 to 23. It was a beautiful contest to look at and the result was in doubt until the last. Normal managed to keep the lead through the greater part of the game, but in the last few minutes of play, the visitors by some clever passing and accurate basket throwing, forged two points in the lead, which proved enough to land them winners. Robert D. Young officiated as referee and his work was perfectly fair and impartial.

This Will Interest Mothers.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, cure Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, Break up Colic, Regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms. They never fail. All Druggists, etc. Sample FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y. 2-24

Light Street Has Fire Company.

Light Street is now prepared for visitations of the devouring element. A meeting of the citizens was held recently, and a fire company organized. Isaac Reichard was elected president, Eben A. Brown, secretary, George E. Grimes, treasurer, and E. D. Hagenbuch, J. E. White, W. M. Robins, Frank Seybert and Austin Ojl, directors. W. O. Custer was chosen as solicitor. The company will endeavor to raise money to purchase apparatus in the way of ladders, hose and buckets.

PURELY PERSONAL

Miss Flora Skeer spent Wednesday at Wilkes-Barre.

E. F. Carpenter made a business trip to Scranton yesterday.

Warland Evans is spending several days at Muncy this week.

C. L. Patten, of Rohrsburg, was noticed on our streets yesterday.

Frank Quick, of Orangeville, went to Philadelphia on Monday and returned yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Davenport, of Orangeville, are spending a few days with friends at Scranton.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver H. Watts have returned to their home at Middletown after a two weeks visit here.

J. P. Fritz, of Central, was in town between trains yesterday. He was on his way to Wilkes-Barre on business.

Mrs. Dr. H. B. Merdeth, of Danville, spent Tuesday in town with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Eyer on Market Street.

Oliver S. McHenry, of Stillwater, went to Philadelphia Monday and returned yesterday. He intends to quit farming and go back to his former position as station agent for the B & S. Railroad Co.

J. M. Gidding, formerly of town, now at the head of a large and prosperous business in Duluth, Minn., arrived in town Saturday and spent Sunday with his brother, Ben Gidding. He left for New York Sunday evening.

Mrs. Robinson and daughter Miss Martina arrived here yesterday afternoon from Oberlin, Ohio where they have been living with Mrs. Robinson's daughter, Mrs. W. B. Cummings. They will spend some time with J. J. Robinson.

James Kocher a graduate of the "Republican" office, this town, now editor and proprietor of "The Record", a weekly newspaper of Nicholson, Wyoming county, Pa., gave us a call while in town on Monday. He visited his parents at Fowlersville over Sunday.

The Miners' Hospital.

The vast extent of the charities of the state, and the wonderful amount of good accomplished by them can scarcely be understood without a visit to some of the institutions that are maintained by the commonwealth. Prominent among these is the Miners' Hospital, near Ashland. This institution was built by a commission appointed by the Governor, of which the late D. A. Beckley was a member. It is located on a plateau a mile or two out of town, and in the summer time is said to be a beautiful place. The administration building is a large and commodious residence, occupied by the Superintendent, Dr. J. C. Biddle and his family and the assistant physicians, and used also by the trustees when present. The hospital wards are back of this. There are accommodations for about 150 patients, and 120 are now being cared for. Most of the male patients receive their injuries from mine accidents, and many of them would die, if left at home, for lack of proper attention. There are separate wards for males and females, and the children are also provided for. A new ward was opened last October, and in this are a number of very nice rooms for private patients. The hospital is arranged and equipped with up-to-date appliances, and it has all been done in accordance with the suggestions of Dr. Biddle whose reputation as a surgeon stands as one of the best in the state.

New patients are brought in every day, and besides those who remain in the building there are crowds coming daily for treatment in the dispensary for any ailment that they may have. Among the nurses in the women's and children's ward is Miss Mary Chromis, of Bloomsburg. She is pleased with her work, and those in charge speak very highly of her intelligence and her faithful attention to her duties. She was formerly in the Columbia & Montour Telephone office here.

One never realizes the blessings of good health and the escape from accidents of all kinds, so much as when one sees in a hospital the many forms of disease and of injuries that come to human beings. Some of the sights are sickening, and yet the surroundings are such, among them being perfect cleanliness and the use of every appliance known to modern surgery, that there was no indication of pain being among the many patients. Dr. Biddle has been the superintendent of the Hospital since it was started, and that he is the right man in the right place there can be no doubt.

Judge Herring is one of the trustees of the Hospital. The Board holds monthly meetings in the building.

Suffered a Paralytic Stroke.

Rev. J. R. Dunkerly, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Shickshinny, was afflicted with a severe stroke of paralysis at his home Friday morning which rendered him entirely helpless and robbed him of the power of speech. His many admiring friends in Bloomsburg hope for his early and complete recovery. The physicians are confident that he will get well.

CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of J. C. Atcherson

This Week Selling At These Prices.

Table listing various clothing items and their prices: 25.00 Fur Neck Pieces, 20.00 Fur Neck Pieces, 12.50 Ladie's Coats, 10.00 Ladie's Coats, 4.75 Misses' Coats, 2.25 Black Petticoats, 5.50 Wool Blankets, 5.00 Wool Blankets, 3.40 Wool Blankets, 17.50 Ladie's Suits, 12.50 Ladie's Suits, 5.50 Ladie's Dress Hats, 2.25 Ladie's Outing Hats.

NEW EMBROIDERIES.

New patterns, good edges. Good cambric. Low prices. 1 lot each at 5c., 6c., 12 1/2c., 15c., 25c., 35c.

SHRUNKEN MUSLIN.

Yard wide at 15c. yard. linen finish; looks like linen. No more shrinking skirts or dresses if made from shrunken muslins. Yard wide twilled muslin 12 1/2c. 10-4 N. Y. Mills bleached sheeting 28c. yard.

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All grades by yard or prices of 12 yards. Lowest prices.

All Comfortables Covered with Sateen or Silk-aline filled with pure white Cotton at Big Reduction in Price.

The Clark Store.

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Your Christmas Opportunity; Don't Miss It.

Our fine display of Holiday Goods is opened and ready. The most appropriate presents for one and all at fairest prices. We claim for our Holiday stock excellence in quality, great variety and very low prices, making this store, beyond a question of doubt, the RIGHT PLACE TO GET THE RIGHT GIFTS AT THE RIGHT PRICE. We invite you to inspect our stock before making your purchases.

Geo. W. Hess,

OPTICIAN AND JEWELER, BLOOMSBURG, PENNA.

ODD FELLOWS PREPARING.

For the Twenty-first Annual Session of the Anniversary Association at Sunbury.

Preparations are being made for the twenty-first annual session of the Pennsylvania Odd Fellows' Anniversary Association to be held at Sunbury on Wednesday, April 26, which will be the eighty-sixth anniversary of Odd Fellows in America. The Sunbury Odd Fellows are now at work and the fact that the orphanage is near Sunbury will make the place especially popular for the meeting and an effort will be made to make it the greatest success in the history of the Association.

Several of the local lodges are also contemplating attending the National anniversary celebration at Philadelphia.

SPRING ELECTION FACTS.

When Nomination Papers and Certificates of Nomination Must be Filed.

The February election for 1905 will fall on Tuesday, February 21. Certificates of nomination must be filed with the County Commissioners eighteen days before the date of election. This makes Friday, February 3, the last day for filing these papers. Nomination papers must be filed fifteen days prior to election day, Monday, February 6, therefore being the last day for filing these papers.

For Rent.

Front room 25 by 30 feet, third floor, Columbian building. Water, electric light, steam heat, all conveniences. Eight windows. Apply to Geo. E. Elwell. tf.

WANTED.

MEN AND WOMEN in this county and adjoining territories, to represent and advertise an old established house of sold flannel. Salary to men \$2 weekly, to women \$1.25 to \$15 weekly with Expenses advanced each Monday by check direct from headquarters. Home and buggy furnished when necessary position permanent. Address Blew Bros. & Co., Dept. 5, Stonon Bldg., Chicago, Ill. 1-19 24t

MONKEYS TO PICK PRUNES.

Five Hundred of Them on Their Way to California.

The proposition to train monkeys to pick the prune crop has been advanced by Martin V. Seelye, who conceived the idea of training the animals to do such work while a resident of Central America. Seelye says he has 500 tamed monkeys now on the way to California. The getting of help to pick the prunes off the ground has been a perplexing problem of fruit growers because of a scarcity of help. Seelye will place muzzles on the animals to prevent their eating the fruit.

Of Interest to Our Rural Friends

It may be of interest to our rural friends to know that, according to a ruling of the post office department, the owners of the mail box on the rural free delivery routes has no control over it; it is subject to government regulations only. On a free delivery route in Ohio, a local carrier recently found in a box on his route two letters intended for the owner the box, which had been placed in it by some one in passing. The letters were removed to Washington with a request for a ruling. The post office department sustained the action of the carrier and announced that all mail found in any box without stamps or the proper amount of money for postage, must be collected and taken to the post office from which the route is operated and there held for postage.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Jacob Bantz, late of the township of Greenwood, Cal. Co. Pa., deceased. Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Jacob Bantz, late of the township of Greenwood, county of Columbia, Pennsylvania, deceased, have been granted to Wm. Mather and John Bantz, executors of said deceased, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are required to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay. WM. MATHER, JOHN BANTZ, Executors. H. A. MCKILLIP, Attorney. 1-25 6c.