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## ADDING NEW ACCOUNTS.

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## BOOKINGS AT THE OPERA HOUSE

Some High Class Attractions Will Appear Here This Coming Season.

Many Dates Still Pending.

The local theatrical season will open Wednesday, September 6th with Donnelly & Hatfield's Magnificent Minstrels, an extended notice of which appears in another column. We give below a list of the bookings to date, from which it will be seen that there will be afforded during the season an opportunity to witness some of the most meritorious attractions on tour. It is an absolute impossibility as a matter of course, to get only the best shows, but the management has exercised great care and has endeavored to book attractions that have been tried and made good. The following list is hardly a third of what will appear here during the season, but it represents the shows whose contracts have been received and are on file.

Sept. 2, Lyman H. Howe's moving pictures. Benefit of Bloomsburg Band.

Sept. 6, Donnelly & Hatfield's magnificent minstrels.

Sept. 13, Why Women Sin.

Sept. 16, The Bowery News Girl.

Sept. 18, For Love and Honor.

Sept. 21, The Sign of the Cross.

Sept. 28, Across the Potomac.

Oct. 2, The Sign of the Four.

Oct. 9-14, Fair week. The Clark Urban Stock Company.

Oct. 20, Edwin J. Hadley's Moving Pictures. Benefit of Bloomsburg Wheelmen.

Nov. 7, A Hot Old Time.

Nov. 16, The Political Box.

Nov. 10, Too Poor to Beg.

Nov. 23, The Red Cafe.

Dec. 11, Lincoln J. Carter's The Eleventh Hour.

Dec. 20, Sandy Bottom.

Jan. 9, Lincoln J. Carter's Two Little Waifs.

Jan. 14, The Heart of Chicago.

Jan. 19, Little Red School House.

Jan. 23, The Holy City.

Feb. 8, The King of Rogues.

Feb. 18, A Little Outcast.

Feb. 23, Gorton's Minstrels.

March 4, Jewel of Asia.

March 8, Porter J. White.

March 21, A Royal Slave.

### A SUDDEN SUMMONS

Dr. Wilbur Hayman, of Wilkes Barre, Dropped Dead at Rohrsburg

With a suddenness that was startling, Dr. Wilbur Hayman, of Wilkes Barre, Pa., a graduate of the veterinary department of the University of Pennsylvania, dropped dead while conversing with some friends at Rohrsburg Friday afternoon. Dr. Hayman was formerly a resident of the vicinity in which his untimely death occurred. He had been ill for some time, the discomfort, it is believed, having been produced by a too close devotion to duty. He had gone to the home of Fred Stoddard, at Rohrsburg, to rest up and regain his health. He was feeling much better on Friday and had walked to the home of a neighbor. It was while sitting on the porch, in conversation, that the summons came. He fell from the chair and expired.

Dr. Hayman was twenty-eight years of age, unmarried, and is survived by two sisters, Ila, of Rohrsburg and Mrs. Norris Wilson, of West Liberty, Iowa, and a brother, Bruce, also of West Liberty.

Miss Eva Rupert will leave today for New Mexico, where she will resume her missionary work.

### STRANGE DROWNING ACCIDENT.

Charles E. Gibbons of Danville, drowned in a very strange manner in the Susquehanna river at a point near the Pennsylvania Railroad water tank, short distance below Catawissa, Friday night. The body was not discovered until Sunday morning. It was standing in an upright position with the legs imbedded deep in the mud.

It seems that Gibbons and Oliver Wertz, also of Danville, started up the river in a row boat Friday morning in quest of some valuable drift wood. Neither of them was seen in Danville again until Saturday afternoon when Wertz appeared there making inquiries concerning Gibbons, and was greatly surprised to hear that he had not reached home. He then explained as follows: They were bringing a raft down the river. He was in charge of the boat and drift wood. Gibbons was walking along the shore. Between 8 and 9 o'clock a short distance below Catawissa, where the tank is located, the raft parted and while Wertz was trying to repair the damage the boat capsized. He told his companion to walk on along the shore and that he himself would take care of the overturned boat and the wood until shallow water was reached a little farther on when he would right the boat and connect the parted raft.

When shallow water was reached Gibbons failed to put in an appearance. After waiting awhile Wertz went back to the spot where the boat had capsized and there he found Gibbons' dog lying on shore but no trace of Gibbons. He did not know what to think of this at first, but finally concluded that the man had jumped a passing freight train and gone to Danville.

His first moment of real apprehensiveness seemed to be when he learned that Gibbons was not in Danville.

His fear was soon shared by others and when Saturday night came on and there was still no tidings from the missing man solicitude gave way to a settled conviction that some dreadful fate had overtaken him. Sunday morning a large party of searchers started up the river.

The gruesome discovery was made by Edward and Samuel Sainsbury. A short distance from shore the man's head was seen slightly protruding above the water. The body was in a standing position. The man wore heavy rubber boots and his legs had sunk into the soft mud. Decomposition had far advanced. The inference would seem to be in view of Mr. Wertz's story that the deceased instead of following Wertz's directions and walking down the shore undertook to wade out into the stream to render assistance. His heavy boots helped to bear him down and he got fast in the mud. His companion had passed the spot; there was no other help and death by drowning was the result.

Coroner Sharpless of Catawissa empaneled a jury and a verdict of death by accidental drowning was rendered.

Gibbons was 44 years old and is survived by a wife.

Judge Little at Home

There has been a marked improvement in Judge Rob't. R. Little, since the report that his condition was extremely critical. His brother-in-law, Geo. M. Tustin, returned home Sunday evening bringing the very pleasing news that the Judge is making satisfactory progress. His improvement is shown by the fact that he is able to be up and move about. He returned yesterday from Elmira, where he has been for several weeks.

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A. Z. SCHOCH, President.

WM. H. HIDLAY, Cashier.

## Council Grants Trolley Ordinance.

Bloomsburg - Millville Trolley Given Rights to Use Streets of Town.

### Will Build Fifth Street Sewer.

The Town Council held a special meeting Saturday night, President C. C. Yetter presided and the following members were present: Giger, Deily, Rhodes, Mifflin and Runyon. The matter of granting the right to use certain streets of town to the Bloomsburg - Millville Trolley Co., was taken up and Mr. Yetter stated the committee appointed at the previous meeting to go over the proposed route had done so, but that the ordinance was not prepared.

C. W. Miller Esq., representing the company, urged council to settle the matter as the delay he said was affecting the company's financial standing. The Council and the Company he said were at variance only in the matter of the number of streets to be used. That is Council did not like granting the rights on streets that would not be actually used. This, he said was perfectly right and would be satisfactory to the Trolley Company.

The agreement under which the Trolley Company is given the right of way through the town provides for the paving of the inside of the tracks as well as for two feet on either side, and for the placing of a pipe in the gutters, by the Company. In this connection Mr. Miller said that the Company would macadamize the required distance with limestone spawls, but that to lay the pipe would be impossible, as it would be necessary every time the pipe clogged to tear up the tracks.

When the matter had been discussed for some time the following streets were placed in the ordinance: Iron, Second, from Iron to East, East from Second to Seventh, Fifth from East to Market, Market from Fifth to Market Square, Seventh from East to Market, Market to Fifteenth, Fifteenth from Market to River Bridge, Sixth from Market to West, West from Sixth to Fifth, Jefferson from Fifth to Eighth, Eighth from Jefferson to Market, Fifth from Leonard to Scott township line, but no additional tracks to be laid on streets already occupied and the track on Iron street to be laid on the eastern side of the same.

Mr. Rhoades held that the space between and on the sides of the trolley tracks should be paved instead of macadamized, contending that it would not only make a much better job, but that it would render the eastern side of the street more accessible for wagons.

Mr. Miller stated that inasmuch as it would be impossible for the Company to make immediate use of all the streets for which franchises were asked, they were willing that whatever streets not occupied by April 1907, should be declared null and void. To this too Rhodes excepted, believing that the tracks should be laid at once on all the streets. Expression of views however, revealed a division, the other members thinking that the company should be given a reasonable length of time.

After considerable discussion it was decided that no more should be asked of this company than had been required of the other companies, and the ordinance was passed. Mr. Rhodes did not vote on any of the sections.

In reference to the complaint made that the American Car & Foundry Co., is using more of the space in front of its plant than it

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has a right to use, the Street Committee was given authority to act.

Mr. Yetter stated that he had employed a man to keep watch over the sewer on Fifth street and if the party who throws all kinds of refuse into it is caught, they will be dealt with according to law.

The ordinance ordaining the Fifth street sewer was read and passed all the members voting for it except Mr. Rhodes, who voted no.

It was decided to advertise for bids for the paving of Centre street to be opened August 21st.

Solicitor Herring stated that before the town could empty another sewer in the river it would be necessary to obtain the consent of the Governor and State Board of Health. Upon motion the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved that the Town Engineer be instructed to prepare plans and a map of the proposed branches or extension of the sewer system as adopted at this meeting of Council. And that the president of the Council be authorized and directed to make the formal application to the Governor and State Board of Health for permission to extend the said sewer as contemplated by said ordinance, and take all steps necessary under the act of 1905 to obtain said permission. Further that he is authorized to advertise for bids for the construction of said sewer according to the plans and specifications of the Town Engineer. Bids to be received until September 1, 1905."

There was no further business, and the meeting, upon motion, adjourned.

### Coal Prices to Advance Monday

In its leading editorial on Monday the trade Coal Bulletin, the official organ of the coal operators, deplors the fact that the consumers of coal have not profited by their experience of last year when they were caught napping with insufficient supplies of coal on hand, and sounds a warning that it is probable that conditions will be worse this year unless immediate action is taken.

The editorial says the price of coal is lower than it is likely to be again in a long time, and that while the present conditions are good the opportunity cannot last a great while. Consumers, as usual, it is pointed out, are buying only for present needs. Somebody is going to suffer before the winter is over, and it will not be the producers.

### Not Visible Here

The dark mantle of clouds which covered the sky Monday night made it absolutely impossible to see the eclipse. Many people watched the sky intently hoping for a break in the dark covering, but about ten o'clock it started to rain, and all chances of getting a glimpse of the phenomenon were destroyed.

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