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## ADDING NEW ACCOUNTS.

### AT THE Farmers National Bank.

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We are constantly adding new accounts and our business is increasing at a very satisfactory rate. If you have not already opened an account with us, we invite you to do so now.

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## HELD UP.

Daring Case of Highway Robbery at Lime Ridge on Saturday Night.

### Station Agent the Victim.

Harry Wertman, agent of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad at Lime Ridge, was on his way home from the station last Saturday night at a quarter of ten, when he was suddenly confronted by two masked men who commanded him to throw up his hands. Wertman was carrying a lantern, and this the men at once extinguished. After telling him that they would not hurt him if he kept quiet, they proceeded to examine his pockets. They found his wallet and after taking out about five dollars from one compartment they returned it to him, missing forty-five dollars in another part of it. They also took some change from his pockets making about twelve dollars in all.

It was a dark night and raining hard. Wertman was permitted to depart and came in to M. I. Low's, where he left his money and his watch, and then went home. Notice of the robbery was telegraphed the company at Scranton.

The robbers are supposed to be two men who got on the evening south-bound train at Plymouth with tickets for Lime Ridge. They were not seen to alight on the station side.

This is a bold piece of business and is getting near home. It is to assist in putting a stop to such crimes that the new state constabulary is being organized, though just what it could have done in such a case, if fully established, is not quite clear. Such crimes will probably not be committed where the new state police is located, and at other points the criminals will be far away before the police can get there.

## CHARLES PEACOCK DEAD.

Charles, youngest son of Mrs. Thirna Peacock, was operated on for appendicitis on Friday of last week. Dr. Bruner performed the operation, and there were present Drs. Stewart of Wilkes-Barre, John Montgomery and Miller, the first two assisting.

Charles had been ill for several days, and for some time previously had occasionally complained of pain in the abdomen. When the operation was performed it was found that the sac had burst, and the pus had escaped into the abdominal cavity, rendering his condition almost hopeless, though Dr. Stewart said that he had had a very few patients recover under similar circumstances. The boy rallied from the operation, and seemed to be holding his own until Tuesday morning when he became unconscious, and it was believed that he was dying. Just before noon however he regained consciousness, and seemed better, but on Wednesday at about nine o'clock the end came, and he passed away. He was a son of the late John F. Peacock, who died when Charles was an infant, fourteen years ago. He is survived by his mother, two sisters, Mrs. Harry S. Barton and Miss Helen, and by one brother, William. He was a bright boy, and his early demise is a sad affliction to the family. The funeral will be held on Saturday at one o'clock, Rev. Dr. Eveland officiating.

## NORMAL BUYS LAND

The School Buys the Whole Block of Lots in What is Known as the Neal Addition

### FOR ITS OWN USE

At the public sale of fifty-five building lots in what is known as the Neal addition, the entire lot was bid in by C. W. Miller, Esq., acting as agent for the Bloomsburg Normal School. This land lies between the Normal School and Fifth street, and it is understood to be the intention of the school authorities in buying it to prevent its being built up to the detriment of the school property, and to hold it until such time as the school will need it for its own purposes, and this will not be many years if the school continues to grow as rapidly as in the past dozen years.

This land formerly belonged to William McKelvy and William Neal. About ten years ago it was sold by I. W. McKelvy, executor of William McKelvy, and John M. Clark, assignee of William Neal, and was purchased by parties who gave a mortgage in payment, and when they defaulted on the mortgage the land was sold on foreclosure proceedings and the former owners had to buy it in, one part coming back to the estate of William McKelvy, and the other part to the several persons who had originally purchased the Neal interest, one of whom brought about the present sale by Frank Ikeler, Trustee, by proceedings in partition, whereby a sale was necessary.

It is very desirable land and the Normal School was wise in buying now, as it is not likely they could ever get it again at the same price, and it is sure that they will need the land in the near future.

## WELLS' STORE

J. G. Wells' second story addition to the rear of his store is progressing rapidly. The brick walls are up, and the roof is on. The old roof was raised up and the walls built under it. The carpenter work is going on, and the second floor room will soon be ready for occupancy. The rear of the store is lighted by glass prisms, and the office will be moved to the rear corner, thus making more room for goods. The room is 25 by 91 feet, and is well stocked with hardware, paints, etc. Mr. Wells is contemplating the addition of other lines to his business.

## Fair Superintendents.

The Columbia County Agricultural Society have appointed the following superintendents of departments and reception committee: A and B.—Horses and Cattle, Emery D. Hagenbuch; C—Sheep and Swine, A. R. Henrie; D—Poultry, H. Deighmiller, E and F—Grain, Vegetables and Fruits, C. E. Adams; G—Domestic Manufactures, C. E. Adams; H—Classes 21, 22, and 23, E. Ringrose; H and I—Classes 24, 25 and 26, A. V. Kressler; J—Farm Implements, W. J. Hidlay; Racing, A. N. Yost; Privileges, H. S. Barton; Police, J. C. Brown.

Reception Committee—F. P. Hagenbuch, President; A. C. Creasy, E. H. Sloan, R. W. Smith, Freas Fowler, Ellis Eves, John S. Mensch.

S. C. Creasy gave his employees a half holiday on Saturday afternoon. They went to Columbia Park and had a chicken supper.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF

## The Bloomsburg National Bank

At close of Business Friday, August 25th, 1905.

COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY'S CALL.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans - - -	\$238,127.09	Capital Stock, -	\$100,000.00
United States Bonds	100,000.00	Surplus and Profits,	26,773.28
Other Bonds, -	178,904.92	Circulation, -	100,000.00
Furniture & Fixtures,	8,000.00	Bank Deposits,	14,667.07
Cash and Resrve,	80,493.60	Individual Deposits,	364,085.26
	\$605,525.61		\$605,525.61

A. Z. SCHOCH, President.

WM. H. HIDLAY, Cashier.

## THE COURTS.

Judge Staples, Monroe County is Presiding, and Rapidly Dispatches Business.

### A LARGE ATTENDANCE.

The regular September session of Court opened on Monday morning with the Hon. C. B. Staples, President Judge of the Monroe-Pike district, presiding for Judge Little, who though improved in health is not yet strong enough to resume his duties on the bench. The day was occupied in the usual routine work, calling list of jurors, taking returns of constables, hearing motions, and the like. In charging the grand jury Judge Staples referred to the new law on cigarettes which forbids any person to furnish cigarettes or cigarette paper to any one under twenty-one years of age, under a penalty of not more than three hundred dollars, nor less than one hundred dollars. He said that this law ought to be enforced.

Report of viewers in favor of a road in Cleveland township near Jacob Stine's, was confirmed absolute.

Also report in favor of a road in Briarcreek township near Levi Kline's.

Report of viewers in favor of vacating and relaying a road in Catawissa township near W. H. Robert's confirmed nisi.

Report of viewers in favor of a road in Greenwood near J. J. Heacock's confirmed nisi.

A petition was presented for the appointment of a guardian for Mrs. Mary R. Leader, and the court heard several witnesses. F. R. Drake, one of the Directors of Bloom Poor District, testified that in his opinion Mrs. Leader was not competent to look after her property. He thought her house on Fifth street is worth \$7000, and will rent for \$20 to \$25 a month. W. H. Hidlay testified that \$6500 would be a low price. Dr. Altmiller testified that Mrs. Leader was of unsound mind. Judge Staples stated that he would not appoint her husband as guardian, in accordance with a rule which he had adopted not to appoint near relatives in such cases.

W. C. Johnston Esq., counsel for Bloom Poor District, stated that several persons had been asked to serve as guardian, but all had declined. So the matter rests at present.

The following returns were made by the Grand Jury:

Commonwealth vs. Allen Holden, charge larceny and receiving; a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. George H. Nelson, charge larceny, receiving stolen goods, etc., a true bill.

In the matter of the application of congregations of the Reformed and Evangelical Lutheran congregations of Bloomsburg for the abandonment of the old cemetery at the northeast corner of Center and First streets, Bloomsburg, the Court heard the testimony of H. O. Wert, I. W. Hartman, O. W. Cherington and W. R. Ringrose, all uniting in declaring the cemetery in its present condition a public nuisance. The Court granted the prayer of the petitioners for the abandonment of the cemetery.

Wesley Morris was appointed foreman of the Grand Jury.

John Welliver was appointed (tip staff) to the Grand Jury.

The accounts of the Register and Prothonotary and Widows' Appraisements were confirmed nisi.

In petition of D. A. Michael for rule to show cause why sheriff's

## TINWARE

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J. G. Wells.

sale should not be set aside in proceedings of D. A. Michael vs. J. E. Merrell. Court granted the rule returnable to next term of court.

In the estate of Lafayette Trivelpiece, deceased, report of auditor upon first and final account of Loretta Trivelpiece, admx., was confirmed nisi.

In estate of Michael Casey, late of town of Bloomsburg, deceased, the Court confirmed nisi the report of auditor making distribution of the fund in the hands of the executor.

In estate of Margaret Marks, deceased, auditor's report was confirmed nisi.

In re-partition of real estate of Jonas Rantz, late of township of Benton, deceased, Court confirmed nisi return of inquest.

Exceptions to the report of viewers of road in Benton township near Davis' school house were filed by Judge Herring, counsel for exceptions.

In Milton National Bank vs. C. K. Sober and Co., affidavit to dissolve writ of estrepment and rule on plaintiff, etc., was filed.

The Court granted a rule returnable September 18th to show cause why Fred Rubenstine, of Bloomsburg, should not be required to maintain his children, the same being granted upon petition of the Directors of the Poor of the Bloom Poor District.

In estate of Elizabeth Hill, auditor's report was confirmed nisi.

In estate of George Miller, late of Mifflin township, deceased, auditor's report was confirmed nisi.

In estate of John S. Girton, deceased, order of sale and return of sale confirmed nisi.

Order and return of sale in the estate of John Drum, deceased, late of Mifflin township, confirmed nisi.

Order and return of sale in estate of Aaron Loreman confirmed nisi. Court denied the petition of Mary Alice Swayze one of the executors for discharge in estate of Robert B. Swayze inasmuch as it does not set forth such facts as would warrant the granting of the prayer thereof.

In Abraham Kline vs. W. D. Yohe, petition for rule to show cause, etc., Court granted the motion of Ralph R. John, attorney for defendant, for rule on plaintiff to show cause why the judgment should not be opened and defendant let into a defense.

On reading over the trial list for the second week the following cases were marked for trial:

Susan E. Cooper vs. Margaret Averal, Edward Averal and Archie Averal, doing business as Averal Sons, appeal. Bloomsburg Land Improvement Company vs. Town of Bloomsburg, assumptit. Freas B. Ringrose vs. W. D. Campbell,

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