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ADDING NEW ACCOUNTS. AT THE Farmers National Bank.

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MR. MAGEE'S LECTURE.

The seating capacity of the Sunday School room of the M. E. church was fully taxed last Thursday evening by an audience that gathered to hear James Magee 2nd tell of his travels in Europe last summer. He and J. W. Evans of Berwick spent several weeks abroad, and visited London, Paris, Brussels, Cologne, The Rhine, Berlin, Vienna, Venice, Rome and Naples, and saw the numerous places of interest in the various cities. Mr. Magee's easy, conversational style of delivery, without any attempt at oratory, caught the attention of the audience at once, and he was listened to with interest throughout his discourse. He gave some very good advice at the outset on how to prepare for an European trip, the main thing being to take nothing along that the traveler can possibly do without.

Among various places visited were the British Museum, London Tower, Windsor Castle, West Minister Abbey, Parliament, Buckingham Palace, Kensington Gardens, a ride on the Thames, across the English Channel, the sights of Paris including Napoleon's Tomb and the Bastille, Battlefield of Waterloo, up the Rhine, then to Venice and Rome, Mount Vesuvius, Vatican, Pompeii and so on, all of which was very clearly described, and without reference to notes. Mr. Magee spoke for nearly an hour and a half, and his audience could have listened much longer without tiring. It was a pleasant and instructive entertainment, and from the appearance of the silver offering at the door the Male Bible Class had a goodly sum to go towards the church debt.

Dr. S. Y. Thompson.

Dr. S. Y. Thompson, the eminent physician of Danville, died suddenly on Saturday evening at 6:15 o'clock, while sitting at his desk in his office writing a prescription for a patient.

For a year Dr. Thompson had been suffering with a complication of diseases, involving a serious heart trouble, which was the cause of his sudden taking off. As a physician he fully realized the gravity of his case and the fact that he was at all times exposed to the danger of sudden death, nevertheless with a devotion that was nothing short of heroic he struggled on visiting his patients whenever at all able to go out and attending to a large office practice. He was born in Danville on October 29, 1843. He was a son of John G. and Hannah (Yorks) Thompson, of Scotch Irish descent, who came to this country locating at Berwick and later removing to Espy. Dr. Thompson acquired a good education in the public schools of Danville and then studied medicine under Dr. P. H. Long at Mechanicsburg, Pa. Entering the Long Island Hospital of Brooklyn he was graduated in 1866 and one year later entered upon his chosen profession in Danville. He was successful from the start and for many years while in the prime of physical manhood he had a large practice. He had served two terms as Chief Burgess of Danville and at the time of his death was serving his third term as Associate Judge of Montour county. His wife and two daughters survive him. The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Margaret Sechler of Danville celebrated her ninety-ninth birthday on Sunday last.

KINSEY AND GEORGE ARRESTED

Charged With the Drowning of John Potter at Mud Lake Which Occurred August 16th

Harold Kinsey and Thomas George, young men of Wilkes-Barre were arrested last Monday charged with the death of John Potter, a lumber camp foreman, at Mud Pond, on the night of August 16. They had a secret hearing before Alderman Pollock and were committed to jail to await the action of the Grand Jury.

The case is one of the most mysterious with which the police there have ever dealt. Potter rowed two unknown men across the lake on the night of August 16 and next morning was found drowned while the men had disappeared. When the facts of the death were published former Chief of Police Myers, of Wilkes-Barre, remembered getting bait for two of his neighbors, Kinsey and George, to go fishing in Mud Pond.

Suspecting they were the men with Potter he advised them to go to the District Attorney and tell their story. They did, telling him that on the way across the lake Potter, who had been drinking, quarreled with them. After they landed and he turned back, they saw him fall out of the boat and did not go to his aid fearing that he would harm them. Instead they walked through the forest for several miles and returned home and said nothing.

The coroner's jury found, however, that they in some manner "threw Potter into the water."

Since then the young men have been free while evidence has been collected.

HALLOWE'EN

The proper observance of Hallowe'en is commendable, and the custom is a very old one. Of late years, however, the occasion has been made an excuse by young people especially for all sorts of malicious mischief. Young folks like to have a good time, and ought to be encouraged in it within proper limits, but when the thing is carried to excess the only way to prevent abuse is to stop it altogether. On Monday night crowds of youngsters went about the streets with chalk, marking clothing and defacing buildings, signs and fences. Several buildings just newly painted were subjected to this. Such conduct is malicious mischief just as much on Hallowe'en as on any other day in the year, and the perpetrators can be prosecuted for it.

Carrying away gates, chairs, mats, or any other property from residences, is stealing, and can be dealt with the same as any other theft. There is no law that gives special license to steal or injure property on Hallowe'en, and hereafter the authorities should give notice that such things will not be tolerated.

On Tuesday night a large number of masqueraders made things lively on Main street. Some of the costumes were very grotesque and the participants had a good time.

At the Normal a Hallowe'en party was given by the Y. W. C. A. of the school, and about 400 students took part. The party was given in the gymnasium which was beautifully decorated.

Rev. Frank Traub has accepted a call to Lima, Ohio.

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.

TO ISSUE BONDS

County Will Issue \$24,000 to Meet Extraordinary Expenses

At a meeting of the County Commissioners last Saturday a resolution was adopted for the issuing of county bonds in the sum of \$24,000, to pay for extraordinary expenses caused by the floods, and to enable the board to conduct the business of the county without increasing the tax rate, which is now 4 per cent. The following statement from the *Morning Press* shows some of the work the present board has done.

When the present board went into office January 1, 1903, the bonds, coupons and orders of the county amounted to \$195,743. That was almost three years ago. The present board has built ten bridges and paid for two contracted for by the old board—the Baptist church bridge in Madison township and the Hartman bridge in Benton township. They paid out \$2,256 for planking the Bloomsburg river bridge and \$800 for repairs for damages caused by the ice gorge to the bridge.

Including the contemplated bond issue of \$24,000 the bonded indebtedness of the county will not exceed \$194,000 on the first of January 1906, notwithstanding the extraordinary expenses of the flood, which in addition has caused the county to pay out about \$19,000 in addition to the other extraordinary items and the usual items of expense for which tax is imposed. Then, too, there is a very big chance that with some boards of Commissioners which the county has had the Rose bill would never have been thought of, and the county would have had the burden on its shoulders of rebuilding the Millville bridge, the cost of which would have been appalling. According to the statements given out in the Commissioners office Saturday the bonded indebtedness of the county will be about \$1,700 less on January 1, 1906, and the extraordinary expense items will have been provided for.

The resolution passed by the Board Saturday is as follows: Whereas, the disastrous floods of 1904 caused a great destruction of bridges in the County of Columbia and has caused an enormous outlay in their rebuilding, and

Whereas, Although the general laws require the rebuilding of bridges over navigable streams by the state, yet these general laws also impose upon the county the duty of paying the fees and expenses of viewers, and the proper charge for the preparation of the plans and specifications of such bridges and the superintending of construction of the same, the cost of advertising, cost of all legal proceedings and all other costs and expenses, whatsoever, the amount of said fees and expenses to be fixed by the Court, and

Whereas, The cost to the state for rebuilding of such bridges as ascertained and estimated amounts to a sum not less than four hundred and sixty thousand dollars and has imposed on the county an extraordinary burthen of over forty thousand dollars, including efforts to temporarily maintain travel at necessary points, and

Whereas, The Commissioners by a careful and rigid management of the finances have been able to meet a portion of such extra burthen in addition to the usual and ordinary expenses and the provision for interest and bonds coming due on account of the previous indebtedness of the county without increasing the previous rate of taxation; and

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Whereas, The Commissioners are of the opinion that the remainder of the indebtedness can with advantage to the taxpayers and to the finances of the county be met by a loan of \$24,000 and without any increase of the tax rate. Therefore it is hereby

Resolved, 1. That it is ordered that coupon bonds be issued to the amount of \$24,000 in sums of no less than \$100.00 each and bearing interest at 4 per centum per annum; said interest to be payable semi-annually on the first days of October and April in each year, are hereby authorized and ordered to be issued.

2. The principal of the bonds so issued shall be made payable at the office of the County Treasurer in amounts and dates as follows, to-wit:

- \$—000 on the day of —A. D. 1914
- \$—000 on the day of —A. D. 1915
- \$—000 on the day of —A. D. 1916
- \$—000 on the day of —A. D. 1917
- \$—000 on the day of —A. D. 1918
- \$—000 on the day of —A. D. 1919

3. The interest coupons attached to said bonds shall be made payable to the holder at the office of the County Treasurer.

4. The Clerk is hereby directed to prepare a statement showing the actual indebtedness of the County, the amount of the last preceding assessed valuation of the taxable property therein, the amount of the loan to be made, the form, number and date of maturity of the bonds to be issued, and that provision for the payment of said bonds and interest is made out of the usual and ordinary annual taxes levied and assessed from time to time. Which said statement duly attested in legal form shall be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions before the issuing of said bonds.

Organ Recital.

The organ recital given by Dr. Minor C. Baldwin on Monday evening in the Lutheran church, was an exhibition of rare skill on the pipe organ. Dr. Baldwin has a high reputation as an organist, and he fully maintained it. In the "Storm in the Mountains," his own composition, "The Tempest" was one of the most wonderful effects we have ever heard produced on an organ. The program was so varied that it gave the performer an opportunity to show the various combinations of registers to good advantage. Dr. Baldwin is a great organist, and the large audience listened to him with intense interest. Miss Rose Vollrath helped to vary the program by singing a beautiful solo accompanied by Miss Albert.



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