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ADDING NEW ACCOUNTS

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FLOBERT RIFLES.

Somebody Liable to Get Into Trouble if the Practice of Shooting Them in the Town Does Not Cease.

A boy and a Flobert rifle is a bad combination. Usually a boy and any kind of an instrument with which mischief can be done is an unfortunate combine, for the mischief is likely to be done.

It was in view of this fact that the legislature of this state in 1903 passed a law on the subject of using Flobert rifles, air guns, or spring guns on the streets or alleys of any city or borough.

The act reads as follows: "Be it enacted &c. That six months after the passage of this act, it will be unlawful for any person to discharge on the streets or alleys of any city or borough, in the commonwealth, a Flobert rifle, air gun, or any implement which impels with force a metal pellet of any kind.

Any person violating this act, shall be arrested and fined in the sum of five dollars, before any committing magistrate; and for the second offense, shall be fined in the sum of fifteen dollars, and may undergo an imprisonment in the county jail for a period not less than ten days, nor exceeding thirty days, the person so offending to pay all cost of prosecution."

The law went into effect on October 15, 1903.

Somebody is violating it frequently. There are a number of boys in town who have Flobert rifles, and they are going about, amusing themselves by shooting cats and other things just for amusement. Perhaps if they realized that they might be made to pay five dollars and the cost, for the first offense, and go to jail for 30 days and pay fifteen dollars for the second offense, they would not be so reckless.

When a dog or cat is doing damage on private property it may be driven away, and if it persists it may be shot if necessary to stop it. But it is cruelty to animals to shoot a cat just for fun, and for this another penalty may be imposed. So that it might be quite an expensive amusement.

Appropos of this subject, on last Sunday morning a valuable Angora cat was shot in the hip with a Flobert rifle. It is a trick cat, and believed to be entirely harmless. It was not killed, but badly mused up, and put out of business for the time being. It is now improving, and will recover.

As it was our family cat THE COLUMBIAN offers a reward of \$10 not to find out who did it, because we know the boy, and as his parents are poor we do not want to distress them, but for the conviction of any man or boy who shoots a Flobert or air or spring gun on the streets or alleys, in violation of this law just as a preventive in the future.

"THE CRAFTSMAN."

The Craftsman is the name of the new Masonic club for which a charter will be secured. It will have elegant quarters in the new Caldwell Cathedral, and its outfit will be among the finest in the state.

The following board of governors has been chosen: E. F. Carpenter, J. L. Townsend, George L. Low, C. A. Caswell, R. D. Young, J. M. Staver, R. E. Hartman, A. Z. Schoch and W. S. Rishton.

The front part of the building will be occupied by the club, and they will have a reception room, billiard room, parlor, offices, etc

LOCAL OPTION.

At a meeting of the Bloomsburg Ministerium on Monday it was decided to hold a temperance mass meeting in the Methodist Church on Sunday evening next at 7 o'clock, when Dr. Hatch will present the subject of local option.

The clergymen adopted the following resolutions:

Whereas it is believed by us and a very large majority of the members of the churches we represent that the liquor traffic is an unmitigated evil wherever it exists, and makes no adequate return for the loss and expense it entails upon society in crime and pauperism and that the institution of the saloon is utterly un-American in that it brings only loss, shame and sorrow where it exists, without the right or privilege of the voter or citizen to choose for or against it and the present license system imposes it upon the whole community at the request of any 12 men and often forces it upon an unwilling people at the discretion of one man, who may be judge of the Court.

Therefore resolved, That we members of the Bloomsburg ministerium in regular meeting assembled representing all the churches and congregations at this and surrounding towns, do hereby earnestly appeal to the Hon. J. Henry Cochran and the Hon. W. T. Creasy now representing us in the Legislature of our state and to all the Honorable members of both houses to give the people whom they represent the right to decide at the ballot box whether they will have the "Licensed Saloon" among them, by passing the present pending Local Option Bill.

Resolved that a copy of this action be sent to each one of our Legislative representatives.

WHEELMEN ELECTION.

A large number of the members of the Bloomsburg Wheelmen Club gathered at the Club House on Tuesday evening, for the annual election of officers, with a lunch and smoker on the side.

The following officers were elected: President, John M. Clark; Vice President, James T. Goodwin; Secretary, Harry S. Barton; Treasurer, W. C. Snyder; Board of Governors; H. R. Meyers, S. R. Bidleman, Fred Holmes, H. Mont. Smith, F. W. Roys, Willie Law, and F. R. Carpenter. Auditors, A. Z. Schoch, A. W. Duy, W. H. Eyer. Library committee, W. E. Johnson, W. V. Morris.

R. C. Butler and Fred B. Hartman were elected to membership.

The club is in a flourishing condition.

ORANGEVILLE ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

J. W. Conner of Orangeville has placed an order with the Commonwealth Electric Mfg. Co. of Philadelphia for the equipment of his electric light plant. Charles Runk of Phillipsburg has the contract for the construction work, and W. O. DeWitt will have charge of the electrical work. It will be an up-to-date plant, and Orangeville will be indebted to Mr. Conner for his enterprise. It is expected the plant will be in operation by June 1st.

LUTHERAN AID SOCIETY.

The members of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Lutheran Church held a meeting on Tuesday evening, when the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. C. B. Gunton; Vice President, Mrs. D. F. Weiss; Treasurer, Mrs. W. H. Hidlay; Secretary Mrs. Frank Bomboy.

COMPTROLLER'S CALL.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The Bloomsburg National Bank

At the Close of Business January 26th, 1907.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Investments	\$535,223.28	Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	8,000.00	Surplus and Profits	41,761.12
Cash and Reserve	78,564.26	Circulation	100,000.00
		Bank Deposits	11,799.17
		Individual Deposits	368,227.25
	\$621,787.54		\$621,787.54

Wm. H. HIDLAY, Cashier.

A. Z. SCHOCH, President.

2-CENT FARES BOUND TO COME.

Secretary Williams Names the States That Now Have 2 Cent Fare Laws.

Secretary S. M. Williams of the State board of trade, who is credited with being the "Father of the Two Cent Rate Bill," has high hopes of the bill being passed by the senate and becoming a law. It has already passed the house and is now in the senate committee on railroads.

"We have every reason to believe that the bill will pass," said Secretary Williams, "and Pennsylvania will be in line with the other progressive States. In Ohio and New York there are two-cent fares, and two of three great railway systems in New England have accepted them. The Indiana legislature has passed such a bill, and last week Missouri and Nebraska legislatures sent two-cent fare bills to their governors. North Carolina, Minnesota, West Virginia and Arkansas have two-cent fares by act of their legislatures, and Wisconsin and Illinois legislatures are considering bills to the same end which are certain to pass. From New England to Nebraska, clear across the country, two-cent fares will be in force within a month, and Pennsylvania cannot afford to be out of the procession. Two-cent fares are bound to come."

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

At a meeting held in the office of C. C. Yetter, Esq. last Thursday evening, the Chamber of Commerce was organized.

The officers elected are as follows: President, Clyde Chas. Yetter, Esq.; Vice President, Paul E. Wirt, Esq.; Treasurer, Frank W. Miller; Secretary, A. N. Yost, Esq.; Trustees, H. W. Titman, C. W. Funston, L. E. Waller, A. Z. Schoch and J. M. Robbins.

The charter members are as follows: H. W. Titman, Paul E. Wirt, F. J. Richards, J. Lee Harman, Robert Hawley, Dr. C. F. Altmiller, Karl F. Wirt, J. H. Coleman, J. M. Robbins, A. N. Yost, C. A. Small, John G. Harman, W. V. Johnson, E. M. Savage, J. W. Miffin, J. G. Quick, C. H. Reimard, F. D. Dentler, C. M. Terwilliger, F. W. Miller, Paul R. Eyerly, Isaiah Hagenbuch, E. F. Carpenter, J. L. Wolverton, C. W. Funston, A. Z. Schoch, A. J. Robbins, C. C. Yetter, Dr. J. W. Bruner, L. E. Waller, C. M. Evans.

No canvass was made for members and the spirit manifested at the meeting can well be taken to mean that some united, successful work will be done. Already there is a move on foot to locate here several industries that will offer employment to men. An indication that the town is ready to meet them half way is all that is needed to make probable their location here.

FARMERS NATIONAL BANK.

J. Warren Lee has resigned as Teller of the Farmers National Bank to accept the position of Cashier in a National Bank at Smethport.

Charles Merrill of Lightstreet, who has been employed as cashier in the office of the American Car & Foundry Co. at Berwick, has been elected as book-keeper, and Samuel Miller, who has filled that post at the Farmers for several years, has been promoted to Teller!

Charles C. Kesty has bought B. R. Yohe's poultry stock and rented his yards and will engage in the business extensively.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

The Court held a brief session on Monday with all the judges on the bench.

C. A. Small Esq., presented a petition to contest the recent election in the Boro of West Berwick. H. A. McKillip Esq., resisted the issuance of a rule because he claimed that the petition included many persons who were regularly elected and whose seats were not in question. And further he maintained that the petition was fatally defective in that it did not allege specific fraud and in what manner a wrong had been done any candidate. While it is true that an error was made in printing the ticket for Councilmen and School Directors, the tickets were correct in every other particular and it was a fatal defect to ask for a rule on any other candidates. Mr. Small contended that the ticket being defective it vitiated the entire election which should be set aside.

Judge Evans did not grant a rule but took the petition under advisement and will render a decision on the 20th.

E. W. Hughes vs. S. B. & B. Railroad. It appearing that several of the viewers heretofore appointed were not freeholders and others owned property affected by said railroad, the viewers appointed were withdrawn and others are to be appointed.

Frederick Swisher vs Zora Swisher. Subpoena in divorce awarded.

H. M. Hinckley Esq., appeared for the D. L. & W. Railroad company and requested that the costs placed on the company detective who appeared as prosecutor against Bessie Harrison be remitted. The Court granted a rule.

Opening of Fourth street Bloomsburg. It appearing that William Kramer and J. W. Hidlay were owners of property on Fourth street, their appointment as viewers was canceled and the viewers to assess damages on Fourth street are Reuben Hess, Isaac Yost, M. P. Lutz, A. Z. Schoch, W. H. Moore, J. K. Pennsylv and Thomas J. Morris.

THE EVANGELICAL CONFERENCE.

The Evangelical Conference that has been in session in Carlisle the past week adjourned on Tuesday night. The Conference next year will be held in Berwick.

Rev. J. Y. Shambach, who has been stationed in Bloomsburg is sent to Williamsport Circuit.

The following are the appointments for Lewisburg District.

J. W. Messenger, Presiding Elder. Lewisburg—J. A. Hollenbaugh. Buffalo—J. D. Stover. Milton—W. I. Shambaugh. Milton Circuit—J. N. Bingaman. Unityville Circuit, Mission—L. C. Cooper. Sonestown—J. Womelsdorf. Dushore—J. F. Hower. Lopez—B. F. Keller. Danville—W. N. Wallace. Bloomsburg—E. B. Bailey. Espy—J. O. Biggs. Berwick, Bower Memorial—J. W. Thompson.

West Berwick—E. Fulcomer. North Berwick—E. D. Keen. Columbia—J. M. King. Nescopeck—E. B. Dunn. Nuremberg—H. R. Wilkes. Luzerne—H. L. Purtiliss. West Nanticoke—To be supplied. Ransom—L. Dice. Scranton—W. E. Peffley. West Clifford—To be supplied.

Mrs. W. C. Johnston was called to Riverside by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Joseph Woodruff, who is threatened with pneumonia.

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