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ADDING NEW ACCOUNTS AT THE Farmers National Bank.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$150,000.

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.

In Point of Business Success and Financial Strength this Bank Occupies Front Rank.

C. M. GREVELING, PRES. M. MILLEISEN, CASHIER.

COMPROLLER'S CALL. REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF The Bloomsburg National Bank

At the Close of Business March 22nd, 1907.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Investments	\$540,518.08	Capital Stock,	\$100,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	8,000.00	Surplus and Profits	44,449.46
Cash and Reserve	70,461.33	Circulation	98,800.00
		Bank Deposits	10,322.52
		Individual Deposits	365,407.43
	\$618,979.41		\$618,979.41

WM. H. HIDLAY, Cashier. A. Z. SCHOCH, President.

KILLED ON PENNSY.

Bruce Slusser and Two Horses Struck by An Engine at Mifflinville.

DEATH INSTANTANEOUS.

Driving a two horse team on the Pennsylvania tracks near Mifflinville, Monday morning at 8:30 o'clock, Bruce Slusser, aged 22 years, of Hetlerville, was instantly killed. Both of the horses were killed and the wagon was demolished. Slusser was the tenant on the B. D. Freas farm.

The train was running at a high rate of speed, and when the tender struck the vehicle, Slusser was hurled high into the air. His remains were found lying on the ground seventy-five feet away from the crossing, face downward. His neck had been broken and death was instantaneous.

Young Slusser was engaged in hauling wood for William Smith, of Mifflinville. When the accident occurred he was just driving out from the wood lot on to a crossing that is seldom used. The train was only a few feet away from him, but he did not appear to see it. Before the engineer could diminish the speed the tender was upon the team, striking with terrific force. Engineer Aaron Raup, of Catawissa, who was on the engine, stopped at once and backed to the scene of the accident.

There a harrowing sight met the eyes of the passengers and the train crew. The one horse was terribly mangled and blood and bits of flesh were strewn along the tracks. The body was placed on the train and taken to the Mifflinville station.

The unfortunate young man is survived by his father, George Slusser, of Hetlerville. He was married last December to Miss Elizabeth Lorah, of Berwick.

After the accident Engineer Raup stated that he saw Slusser driving toward the tracks, but had no idea that he would attempt to cross, as the tracks are straight for a distance of 500 feet and Slusser had plenty of time to see the train. A coroner's jury was empaneled by Deputy Coroner Sutton of Berwick.

The verdict in effect was that Bruce Slusser came to his death through contributory negligence on the part of the Pennsylvania Railroad company.

At the hearing it was brought out—through the testimony of the engineer himself—that Engineer Raup, at the time of the accident was not watching the tracks, as he was occupied fixing the injector. Neither did the fireman see young Slusser's perilous position until the locomotive was almost upon the wagon. It was brought out in the testimony that no alarm was sounded.

That the railroad realizes that it has an important case to deal with is shown by the fact that the company was represented at the inquest yesterday by its counsel, L. E. Waller, Esq., of Wilkes-Barre; Superintendent Allibone, the general passenger agent, and a stenographer.

TOWNSEND'S

Townsend's Clothing Store expects to move to the new quarters next week. The alterations and improvements to the room are going rapidly forward, and when completed it will be a handsome store.

GAS EXPLOSION AT NORMAL.

The basement of the new science building at the Normal School was badly damaged by an explosion of gas on Tuesday at 1.30 p. m. The smell of gas had been noticed, and Irvin Housel, the fireman, was hunting for the leak with a lighted candle. On holding the candle near an opening in the floor of the botany room on the second floor of the building a terrific explosion followed. Housel, who was lying on his stomach under a desk, was hurled several feet. Fortunately there were only three others in the building at the time. In ten minutes a class would have been there for recitation. No one was seriously injured.

On the second floor chairs were overturned, desks loosened, and the walls damaged. The force of the explosion went downward. On the first floor plaster and lath were torn from the wall, the glass partitions between the music rooms were shattered, the heating apparatus damaged, and studding three inches thick broken.

The damage was occasioned by the negligence of some one engaged on the plumbing job in leaving the end of a pipe uncapped.

The space between the walls and floors were full of gas, and when the candle came in contact with the gas the explosion occurred. It is a great wonder that more damage was not done and it is a still greater wonder that the building was not destroyed by fire.

FREIGHT BY TROLLEY.

Governor Stuart has signed the bill giving trolley lines the right to carry express and freight matter. It goes into effect at once.

Light freight, according to the terms of the bill, include farm produce, garden truck, milk and like merchandise.

Local communities are permitted to impose reasonable restrictions, but, as amended, the bill carries the right on the part of the trolley companies to have the common pleas court of the county review such regulations and to determine their reasonableness.

Efforts to make freight carrying obligatory failed. It remains optional with all companies, heretofore or hereafter to be incorporated, whether or not they accept the privilege conferred.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.

William Beishline, administrator of Joseph H. Beishline, deceased, will sell personal property on the premises 3 miles east of Millville, on Wednesday, May 1st at ten o'clock sharp.

The property consists of horses, cows, pigs, chickens, wagons, cultivators, harrows, binder, mower, threshing machine, grain drill, cream separator, roller, plows, harness, forks, shovels, meat, lard, potatoes, grain, scales, lumber, vinegar, stoves, book case, cupboard, table, chairs, carpet, clocks, and many other things.

Big Trout.

Ex-sheriff Boyd McHenry of Benton caught 39 trout on Wednesday, one of which measured 12½ inches.

The biggest one reported this season was caught by Clarence Stout near Grassmere yesterday. It measured 22 inches, and weighed 3½ pounds.

MRS. SARAH LOWENBERG.

This well known and estimable lady departed this life at her home on Main street, on Tuesday morning at half-past ten o'clock. She had been in failing health for the past two years, but her condition became serious only within the past two weeks.

Mrs. Lowenberg was born in Bavaria, Germany in 1832. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Loeb Kohus, who came with his family to America in 1851, and located at Wilkes-Barre. In 1860 she was married to David Lowenberg, and they came to Bloomsburg to live.

Mrs. Lowenberg was most highly esteemed by all who knew her. She was of gentle and retiring disposition, of intelligence and refinement. Her family connections were excellent.

She leaves to survive her the following children: Louis Lowenberg and Mrs. Regina Dreifus, of Milton; Joseph Lowenberg of Norristown; William Lowenberg, residing on Fourth street, and Oscar Lowenberg and Misses Rebecca and Stella Lowenberg, living at home.

The deceased was the second wife of David Lowenberg, and was a sister of the first wife. Miss Rebecca was the only child by the first marriage.

Mr. Lowenberg died June 7th, 1887. He was one of Bloomsburg's most respected citizens. He had held the office of President of the Town Council for a number of years, was county treasurer for one term, one of the recognized leaders of the Democratic party, and always in sympathy with every movement for the betterment of the town. On the day of his funeral all business places were closed, and a special train to Wilkes-Barre carried several hundred people to the Jewish cemetery at that place where interment was made. Mrs. Lowenberg will be buried at that place in the family plot, by the side of her husband.

The funeral took place this morning at the residence, and was conducted by Rev. Dr. Salzman, rabbi of the Wilkes-Barre synagogue. The remains were taken on the 10:56 Pennsylvania train to the cemetery named.

WILL REMOVE TO SUNBURY.

Judge Herring has changed his plans in relation to his removal to Pittsburg, and instead will go to Sunbury where he has formed a partnership with Hon. S. P. Wolverton. He went there on Tuesday, and in future will make his home there, his family going there as soon as a suitable house can be found.

He will continue to practice in this and Montour counties, but his Bloomsburg office will not be maintained.

The law firm consists of Senator Wolverton, Judge Herring and S. P. Wolverton, Jr.

SISTER OF OSCAR STRAUS.

Mr. and Mrs. Lazarus Kohus of New York city were in Bloomsburg this week to attend the funeral of Mrs. David Lowenberg, who was a sister of Mr. Kohus. It is fifty years now since he came here to attend the funeral of another sister, the first Mrs. Lowenberg. Mr. Kohus is extensively engaged in the manufacture and importation of china and earthenware in New York. His wife is a sister of Oscar J. Straus, Secretary of Commerce and Labor in President Roosevelt's cabinet.

BENEFIT RECITAL.

Miss Rosa E. Vollrath will give a musical recital in the Normal Auditorium next Monday evening, in which she will be assisted by Mr. Gines Escanaverino, violinist.

Miss Vollrath has established a reputation as an accomplished vocalist. She is the leading soprano of the Presbyterian choir, and has also sung in the Episcopal choir. She has frequently been heard at the Normal school, and has sung at institutes and in concerts repeatedly. It is her desire to go to New York and still further cultivate her vocal talent.

Mr. Escanaverino is a violinist of marked ability. He has been heard here frequently, and his playing is always enjoyable. The program to be given is an excellent one, and will be appreciated by all who are fond of good music.

By "good music" we do not mean French and Italian operatic selections, or music of a kind that is too artistic to please the ears of ordinary mortals, but music of a kind that can be understood and enjoyed by a mixed audience.

Miss Vollrath is deserving of a liberal patronage, and the auditorium ought to be well filled. Tickets are now on sale at Bidleman's book store, and the price has been fixed at the very small sum of 25 cents.

Deeds Recorded.

The following deeds have been entered of Record by Recorder of Deeds Frank W. Miller during the past few days:

Wm. Belles and wife to John S. Housenick, lot of ground in Berwick.

John S. Housenick and wife to W. W. Thomas, lot of ground in Berwick.

B. F. Hicks and wife to Ralph H. Smoyer, lot of ground on northeast corner Sixth and Iron streets in Bloomsburg; consideration \$2000

Berwick Land and Improvement Company to Peter Harman, lot of ground in West Berwick; consideration \$200.

Catherine Mausteller to Harry Hendelson, 20 3/4 acres land in Mifflin township; consideration \$755.

Conewango Building and Loan Association to L. F. Leffer, lot of ground in Michael's Addition to Berwick; consideration \$1425.

Jessie Mensch and Frank Mensch to Wm. McMahon and Anna M. McMahon, containing 91 acres and 70 perches of land in Mt. Pleasant township.

James R. Ritter to S. W. Kelchner, 22 acres and 83 perches of land in Fishing Creek township; consideration \$200.

S. W. Kelchner and wife to H. W. Hess, 22 acres and 83 perches of land in Fishing Creek township; consideration nominal.

TROUT FRY.

Twenty thousand trout fry known as "fingerlings" passed through here last week from the Wayne County Hatchery on their way to Benton. They were placed in Coles Creek, Fishing Creek and West Creek. The trout came in twenty cans and among the number of persons who received them were: S. R. Lemons, Dr. H. G. Hess, Arden Karns, Glen Tubbs, George D. Herbert, Guy Miller, T. A. Little, Hon. John G. McHenry, George Davis, Harry Long, Peter Dildine, Irwin Keeler, B. R. Laubach, Barrett McHenry and Thompson McHenry.

SPRING THINGS.



You read about Spring—you hear about Spring—see Spring and feel Spring. Spring is apparent everywhere and Spring wearables blossom forth on every side.

Swell Spring Suits \$10 to \$25.

Choice Spring Trousers \$2 up.

Handsome Top Coats \$10 to \$25.

Correct Spring Hats \$1 to \$4.



Handsome Spring Haberdashery of all sorts, right from the best and most reputable makers.

There are many new kinks in the cut of Spring Garments and it would be a wise thing to drop in to see what's new, before you fully decide just what you'll wear this Spring.

Always at your service, you know.

THREE FOR ONE TRADING STAMPS SATURDAY.

BEN GIDDING

Clothier, Hatter and Haberdasher. Exchange Hotel, Bloomsburg.

Come in and see us, we'll treat you right.

J. LEE MARTIN.

J. Lee Martin died at the home of his father-in-law, W. J. Corell, on Market street, on Sunday evening after an extended illness. He leaves to survive him, his wife, a daughter Frances, a sister Mary residing in Philadelphia, two brothers, Frank of Williamsport, and Charles of Philadelphia, and his mother, Mrs. Frank Smith.

The deceased was born at Mifflinburg October 15, 1873. At the age of 19 he graduated from the Butler Conservatory of Music, and soon after that came to Bloomsburg, and entered the jewelry store of J. G. Wells where he remained three years. After that he took a course in engraving and fine repairing at the Bowman Horological School in Lancaster, and then a course in optical work under Dr. Fox in Philadelphia.

He was married to Miss Emma Corell in 1897, and went to Cortland, N. Y. to reside. After three years he returned here in 1900 and opened a jewelry store where the Adams Express office now is, and about three years ago he moved below Market street where he conducted the business up to the time of his death. He had sought to recover his health at Atlantic City, and at Saranac, N. Y. but in vain.

The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the house, the services being conducted by Rev. Dr. Hemingway and Rev. J. E. Byers.

The pall bearers were Dr. Alt Miller, R. F. Colley, J. E. Roys, W. H. Eyer, Frank Schneidman, and R. E. Hartman.

BRIDGE ENGINEER'S COMMISSIONS.

Commissioners Hess, Pohe and Ringrose and county solicitor Rhawn went to Harrisburg yesterday to protest against the exorbitant charges of the state engineers appointed in the matter of the Beaver and the paper mill bridges. A rule was issued by the Dauphin county court on the commissioners to show cause why they should not pay the bills submitted, and it is to answer this rule that they went to Harrisburg. In the Beaver bridge engineer Swinton presented a bill of \$1900, and for the paper mill bridge Oscar E. Thompson charges \$5200.

The commissioners hold that the commission of the engineers should be fixed by the court, and not by the Board of Public Grounds and Buildings. The charges seem to be exorbitant, and confirm the general belief that there has been a great waste of money in bridge-building.

CATHEDRAL DEDICATION.

Caldwell Cathedral will be dedicated on September 10th, 11th, and 12th. By that time the building will be completed and entirely furnished. The dedication will be a notable event in Masonic circles.

HOLMES FOR JUDGE.

W. O. Holmes has announced his intention of being a candidate for Associate Judge on the Republican ticket.