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J. C. Brown has sold his farm in Millin township.

A fine new line of Wedding invitations just received at this office.

Jacob Geisinger of Forks, an old and valued subscriber, was in town on Wednesday.

Carl Brown is home for the holidays, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Brown.

Souvenir Post Cards are printed at this office. Half tones supplied.

Mr. and Mrs. William Leverett of Philadelphia spent Christmas here with relatives.

Reginald Hemingway, instructor in mathematics at State College, is home for the holidays.

Col. A. D. Seely will have charge of the Mummies' parade at Berwick on New Year's Day.

Mrs. Shaw and son of Philadelphia are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Foulke on Iron street.

Joe W. Armstrong of Scranton spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Armstrong.

Over one hundred Italians have left West Berwick during the past month, to return to the old country. Many more are expected to go soon.

Dr. F. S. Luther, President of Trinity College, Hartford, Conn., and Mrs. Luther will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Elwell next week.

An electric motor will be installed in the Manual Training Department at the Normal School, to run the machinery. A gasoline engine has been used heretofore.

As usual at this season the two express companies were rushed with Christmas packages. With two wagons each they were able to handle all the traffic promptly.

Blaine Saltzer is now playing the piano at Dreamland, and singing solos, which adds much to the pleasure of the entertainment. He makes his music fit the pictures.

Monday was a gloomy, wet, foggy day, and somewhat interfered with the Christmas trade. However judging from the numbers of people with packages, and the crowded condition of the stores for the past week, the merchants are not complaining.

Commissioners' Clerk A. B. Black has a fine library, and is constantly adding to it. He recently received a consignment of 31 books from London, all of them being old and rare volumes, one of which is said to date back to 1327. It is a manuscript.

A young man who was walking through the second floor of Purcell's store the other day saw a young lady whom he thought he recognized, and he very politely tipped his hat. Receiving no response he approached closer, and when he found it was only a lay figure he blushed all to himself.

For the drivers of funeral cabs to smoke either cigars or a pipe while driving to or from the church or cemetery with mourners in their cabs, is very bad taste to say the least. If they don't know any better somebody ought to tell them. It is a practice of too frequent occurrence in Bloomsburg.

Services at the M. E. Church on Sunday were largely attended. Some interesting exercises were held by the Sunday school in the morning, including vocal solos by Mrs. Knies, and C. O. Skeer, a chalk talk by Fred Holmes, and an address by M. I. Low. In the evening 1300 people were present. An orchestra of 16 pieces augmented the organ.

FISH CULTURE.

State Commissioner Meehan Points Out the Growth of the Work of This Department.

The State board of fishery commission held its annual meeting at Philadelphia Saturday. Fish Commissioner Meehan submitted a report showing that the work of the commission for 1907 shows a marked increase over the work in 1906.

In fish culture the output this year aggregates the total of 663,295,524, about two-thirds greater than the output of 1906. The State department is working in harmony with the national government and the outlook for 1908 is for a much greater output.

The fish protective work has been very satisfactory. The total number of arrests for violation of the fish laws were 536. Total convictions, 477; total acquittals, 59; twenty-two persons were sent to jail. The amount of fines imposed was \$14,805. The amount of fines paid was \$8,295. Appeals to court, amount of fines \$2,850. Sent to jail, amount of fines \$2,669. The bulk of the violations were for infractions of the fish basket law, the giggering laws and improper taking of fish by drawing off dams. It is among those who fish for the market or for the table and petty sales and among a certain type of foreign element that most of the fish law violations are to be found.

There are 154 special wardens and nine regular wardens, including the chief warden, and of this number it was necessary only to dismiss three for unsatisfactory conduct. The commissioner says that the appropriation for warden service is only sufficient to employ nine men, although the law authorizes the appointment of twelve. As a consequence, each warden has from seven to eight counties to patrol, and this cannot be done thoroughly. He therefore, asks for more wardens. The commissioner also recommends that the legislature be asked to increase the appropriations to hatcheries.

HERE AND THERE.

The Italian State lottery has distributed as high as \$10,000,000 in a year.

The laws of Norway compel a man who chops down one tree to plant three saplings.

By emigration Europe loses 960,000 natives every year, and in the same period 200,000 return.

There are 8,000 chemists in the United States and a very large proportion of these are employed in industrial work.

The value of the shipping passing through the Suez canal in the course of a year is \$55,000,000, and the great bulk of this is English.

Saturday is the busy day of the London firemen. In ten years London had 3,393 Saturday fires, against 3,002 on Monday, the day they were least frequent.

William Cox, a trainman, was pinned fast for two hours under the wreckage of three freight cars in a wreck at McCauley, Columbia county, yet escaped without injury.

The average sperm whale is about 59 feet long and weighs 110,000 pounds, and will yield 60,000 blubber (from which 48,000 pounds of train oil can be made and 3,000 pounds of whalebone.)

Jesse L. Livermore, the plunger who cleaned up \$3,000,000 in Wall street, and now has 300,000 bales of cotton, is only 28. Ten years ago he was marking prices on the board of a Boston broker's office.

Mrs. Elizabeth Vasbinder has passed the century mark, yet lives alone near Phillipston, Clarion county, does her own housework and is able to read and thread a needle without the use of glasses.

The magnificent New Calvary Protestant Episcopal church in Pittsburg, erected at a cost of \$550,000, the finest in this country outside of New York, was dedicated with imposing services on Thursday.

At the age of 60 years Thomas McGuire, of North Scranton, was presented with his twenty-first child on Wednesday night. Of their twenty-one children nineteen are living and all are enjoying good health.

Forty chickens were stolen a few nights ago from Mrs. Mahala Craig's henry in Berwick, but she found a watch in the hen house. This was traced to M. Gries and he has been arrested for the theft.

There are 1,454 applications for liquor license in Schuylkill county this year, which is about 200 less than last year, when only about 1,100 were granted. Half the applicants this year have remonstrances against them.

MRS. CAREY FREE OF MURDER CHARGES.

Mrs. Bridget Carey, who was recently acquitted in Philadelphia of the charge of murdering her two children, was on Monday formally freed from the additional charges of having killed Patrick and Cecelia Cook, and released in time to eat her Christmas dinner with her cousin, Mrs. Bridget McDonald. On behalf of the Commonwealth Assistant District Attorney Gray admitted that the evidence in the Cook cases was not so strong as in the case of the children, and that it was useless to go before a jury. Sympathetic neighbors and relatives were on hand to greet the woman as soon as she was discharged, and all expressed confidence in her innocence.

The final scene of her protracted ordeal took only a few moments. Immediately after the Court opened, Assistant District Attorney Gray, without preliminary formality, made this brief statement to Judge Carr:

"If your Honor please, I have a motion to make with regard to the case of Mrs. Bridget Carey, who was recently acquitted of the murder of her two children. We have two remaining bills of indictment, one charging her with the murder of Patrick Cook, the other with the murder of Cecelia Cook. We have thoroughly and carefully investigated each of these cases, and find that there is not as much evidence as there was in the case of the children. There is not sufficient evidence to go before a jury. We desire, therefore, to submit the bills for verdicts of not guilty."

As the defense had no objections to this procedure, the two bills were at once submitted, and verdicts of not guilty taken. Then followed the demonstration of sympathy. Mrs. Carey stepped from the prisoner's dock, a free woman, and, laying her head on the shoulder of Mrs. McDonald, burst into tears. A brief talk with her attorney, Edwin M. Abbott, followed, while the Court clerk made out her formal discharge. Mrs. Carey was then surrounded by twenty or more admiring friends and neighbors, grasping her hand and expressing joy at her release. One aged woman, who lived near her, grabbed her about the neck and kissed her repeatedly. Then the crowd literally swept her toward the door and into the corridor, where she was deluged with congratulatory words.

As she went away with her cousin, Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. Carey expressed her satisfaction and thanks to the District Attorney for releasing her in time to eat her Christmas dinner in freedom. "I have no hard feelings," she added, "against those who have prosecuted me. I suppose they thought they were doing right. But even the witnesses against me must have known I was innocent. I expect to live with my cousin, Mrs. McDonald, for the present."

She made a more complete statement of her plans to Mrs. Anna Melloy, next door to Mrs. Carey's old home. Mrs. Melloy was in the Court room and accompanied her part way to her new home. "Mrs. Carey told me she would not return to Hamilton street," said Mrs. Melloy later, "but would probably go up the State to her old home at Centralia, Columbia county, after a few days. She said the attendants at the prison had been very kind, helped her to get sewing work and showed her consideration in every way. She seemed stouter and in better health than formerly. The sympathy of all her neighbors was with Mrs. Carey, and, knowing her for years, we could not believe that she would deliberately kill her little children."

Mrs. Rebecca Welsh, who now conducts a boarding house where Mrs. Carey lived at the time her two children died, was another neighbor who went down to the Court room to bid Mrs. Carey Godspeed. She confirmed the statement that Mrs. Carey would not return to Hamilton street, and also that her neighbors generally believed her innocent. She was only sorry that she had not been called to testify for Mrs. Carey at the trial.

Envelopes

75,000 Envelopes carried in stock at the COLUMBIAN Office. The line includes drug envelopes, pay, coin, baronial, commercial sizes, number 6, 6 1/2, 6 3/4, 9, 10 and 11, catalog, &c. Prices range from \$1.50 per 1000 printed, up to \$5.00. Largest stock in the county to select from.

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The coal mines of the United States are killing three times as many men per 1000 employed as those of most European countries. In the last 17 years 22,840 men have given up their lives in the mines of this country. As many violent deaths have occurred in the mines during the last six years as during the preceding 11 years. The number of fatal accidents each year is now double that of the year 1895. In 1906 6861 men were killed or injured in the mines, the killed numbering 2061, and the injured 4800.

These facts have been gleaned by Government experts, acting under orders from Secretary Garfield, of the Interior Department.

The statement in the bulletin that an increase in the number and in the seriousness of mine explosions may be expected to continue has already proven prophetic, for since the words were written there have been three mine explosions, costing nearly 500 lives, one in Pennsylvania, followed by the Monongah and Alabama disasters.

Don't Try Uncertain Recipes.

It is entirely unnecessary to experiment with this, that and the other recipe. Get from your grocer, for 10 cents, a package of "OUR-PIE" Preparation—Lemon, Chocolate or Custard—for making pies that are sure to be good. 12-12-17

ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bloomsburg National Bank of Bloomsburg, Pa., for the election of directors for the ensuing year, will be held at their banking room, Tuesday, January 14th, 1908, between the hours of 11 and 12 a. m.
WM. H. HIDLA Y, Cashier.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of The Farmers' National Bank of Bloomsburg, Pa., for the election of Directors will take place at their banking room, Tuesday, January 14th, 1908, between the hours of 2 and 4 p. m.
M. MILLEISEN, Cashier.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the policy holders of the Briarbrook Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company of Lime Ridge, Pa., will be held at the ball of Centre Gray No. 56 P. of H. on Tuesday, January 14th, 1908 between the hours of 10 and 2 p. m. for the election of Directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such business as may properly come at said meeting.
H. H. BROWN, Secy.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Martha Hartman, late of Bloomsburg, Pa., have been granted to A. N. Yost, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to pay, and those having claims against said estate are requested to present them without delay.
A. N. Y.

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