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The annual ball of the Friend-  
ship Fire Company will be held on  
February 10th.

Geo. J. Vanderslice has bought  
the Albertus Welliver farm, for-  
merly owned by Dr. Low.

Dr. D. J. Waller attended the  
meeting of the Electoral College as  
a Presidential Elector for this dis-  
trict.

The R. E. Hartman store and  
dwelling are advertised for sale by  
C. C. Peacock, trustee, on Friday,  
February 5th.

The White House Restaurant  
has again changed hands, R. J.  
Hunsinger having sold to Patrick  
Daily of Deshore.

Bishop James H. Darlington will  
administer the right of confirmation  
in St. Paul's Church, on Sunday  
evening, February 14th.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children  
Successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in  
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The following letters are held at  
the Bloomsburg, Pa., post office:  
Rev. Eberle W. Thompson. Cards  
Mr. Prece Kester, Master Earl  
Pride.

A contest is on between F. D.  
Dentler and L. M. Sleppey for the  
nomination for Tax Collector for  
Bloomsburg, at the coming Demo-  
cratic caucus.

It is now settled that we shall  
have another job lot census in  
1910. The work is to be done by  
political understrappers who have a  
pull for partisan service rendered  
or to be rendered.

H. Bruce Clark has sold his en-  
tire stock of goods to the Burd &  
Rogers Company of Shamokin.  
The purchasers are conducting a  
ten days' sale at reduced prices,  
and at the end of that time will  
remove the balance to Shamokin.

Miss Vinnie Trump, daughter of  
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Trump, was  
married to Edward Hackard of  
Bristol, Pa., on Friday, by Rev. J.  
D. Thomas at the Reformed Par-  
sonage. They left for their home  
on Saturday.

The center street meat market,  
A. D. Shuman, proprietor, is be-  
ing greatly improved by the con-  
struction of a glass front. The  
door has been placed at the corner.  
When completed it will be an up  
to date shop. Few towns of this size  
can boast of as good meat markets  
as Bloomsburg.

**RETURNED TO THE WEST.**

Daniel Hirleman and wife of  
Rush Center, Kansas, have been  
visiting relatives in this county for  
the past three months, and on  
Monday started back to their home.  
Mr. Hirleman is a son of the  
late George Hirleman, of Waller,  
and he left home about 32 years  
ago, going first to Illinois, and then  
to Kansas. He has been engaged  
extensively in farming, raising  
mostly cattle and wheat. He was  
mayor of his town for one term,  
and has held other offices. It is ten  
years since their last visit here, and  
their many friends were glad to see  
them.

**DAMAGED BY WATER.**

The bursting of a water pipe in  
the Hancock building at Danville  
on Friday night, damaged several  
hundred dollars' worth of goods in  
the Globe store. The break was  
caused by the freezing of the pipe  
between the second and third floors,  
and the water poured down in the  
center of the store, ruining many  
fancy goods, and a stock of blank-  
ets and other merchandize in the  
cellar.

Fritz, the Wandering Musician.



Those who recall the pleasant  
memories of the late J. K. Emmet  
in "Friend Fritz" will discover  
much in "Fritz the Wandering  
Musician" that is reminiscent,  
though it is declared that the pre-  
sent play is wholly original, and not  
taken from past successes. The  
author is Crano Wilbur and it is  
said that he need not be ashamed  
of his work, for there is much of a  
amusing and entertaining quality  
in the play. Mr. Hertz, (the star)  
is said to display marked ability in  
the role of Fritz. This will be the  
attraction at the Columbia Theatre  
next Monday night, January 18th,  
and ought to receive a hearty wel-  
come from the patrons of that  
house.

The prices are only 35, 50, and  
75 cents. Choice seats for 50 cents.

**Looking After County Property.**

I notice in the COLUMBIAN that  
county commissioners have appor-  
tioned to each one of the board a  
certain part of the county to be  
looked after so far as bridges and  
other property are concerned.

That is undoubtedly a most nec-  
essary thing to be done; and now if  
a report in writing, of all the  
bridges, where, of what kind and  
condition is made, so that in a  
minute, it can be seen in the com-  
missioners' office, much good may  
be accomplished. Because it was  
*nobody's business nobody* attended to  
it; and the public property went to  
decay; "A stitch in time saves  
nine," and "a penny saved is two  
pence earned."

The public expenses are increas-  
ing, necessarily, and more care is  
required in the management of the  
business. More taxes are levied,  
more roads and bridges are re-  
quired for public convenience; and  
no complaint will be made when  
the public work is done by those  
elected to the office.

**ALPHA BETA.**

For several years past the work  
of the commissioners has been di-  
vided up in the same way as now.  
ED.

**Burglary at Sunbury.**

A mos. daring robbery was com-  
mitted in Sunbury Sunday morn-  
ing when C. S. Bigony's store was  
entered and nearly five hundred  
dollars' worth of goods was stolen.  
Included in the rich haul made  
by the burglars were sixty revolv-  
ers, one-half dozen guns, rifles,  
knives and razors. It is thought  
that the burglars had a carriage, as  
about the hour of midnight some  
one saw a carriage in the vicinity  
of the store that was robbed. Later  
a carriage answering the same  
description was seen leaving town  
by the Shamokin road.

What makes the robbery an espe-  
cially bold one is the fact that the  
revolvers stolen were removed  
from the front part of the store  
within ten feet of the glass front  
where the robbers were clearly in  
view from the street.

The goods stolen are valued at  
from \$450 to \$500.

**IN CRITICAL CONDITION.**

Warland Evans, who has been  
seriously ill with pneumonia for  
the past ten days, is still in a very  
critical condition.

**CASTORIA.**  
The Kind You Have Always Bought  
Beware the  
Signature of  
*Wm. D. Mitchell*

Your Country Needs You.

(We publish the following by request.)

During the dark days of the re-  
bellion noble men came from farm,  
hamlet, town and city in answer to  
their country's call. To-day a  
trumpet sound, as loud and as long  
as then, comes to the Christian,  
intelligent American woman, to  
come to her country's rescue. Over  
a million foreigners are landed each  
year upon our shores. Notwith-  
standing their ignorance, superstition  
and Old World ideas, they are  
soon invested with all the rights of  
citizenship. In 16 different States  
six months after their arrival.  
They soon become the tools of wily  
politicians and lawless men, and it  
has become almost impossible to  
pass or enforce righteous laws. To  
offset this gigantic evil which  
threatens the life of our nation,  
Woman, the great moral power in  
the home, school and church, must  
come to the rescue, and to her must  
be given the ballot.

The fundamental principles of a  
democratic system of Government  
like that of the United States are  
that

Everyone who has to obey the  
law shall have a voice in making it,  
and that

Everyone who has to pay taxes  
shall have a voice in saying how  
those taxes shall be spent.

To carry out these principles,  
our country has given a vote to  
everyone over 21 years of age, ex-  
cepting criminals, lunatics, idiots,  
aliens and women.

**IS IT RIGHT?**

Is it right that the mother, the  
sister, the wife, or the daughter  
should be classed with criminals  
and lunatics, or treated as aliens  
from a foreign country?

Many women have to pay taxes  
on real or personal property.

Is it right that their money  
should be taken, and no represen-  
tation given them?

Is it right that while the loafer,  
the gambler, the drunkard, and  
even the wife-beater has a vote,  
earnest, educated and refined  
women are denied it?

Is it right that the saloon-keeper,  
whose hope of gain lies in tempting  
the brother or son to indulge in  
habits that may prove his ruin,  
should have a vote, while the  
mother, sister, or wife, whose life  
is thereby made miserable, should  
be helpless in altering the law?

Is it right that the inmate of an  
almshouse should have a vote, while  
a woman who earns her own living,  
and, it may be, toils hard to main-  
tain her family, is denied it?

Is it right that a capable woman,  
who farms her own land, should be  
thought unfit to use a vote that is  
given to the most ignorant of her  
hired men?

Is it right that an educated  
woman who can be trusted to teach  
a school, cannot be trusted with a  
vote that is given to the boys she  
has educated before they have her  
years of knowledge?

Is it right that women should be  
considered wise and good enough  
to be school directors, and yet are  
not deemed wise or good enough  
to vote for school directors?

Is it right that a woman teacher  
should be expected to train boys in  
all the duties of good citizenship,  
while she herself is denied the su-  
preme privilege of citizenship—the  
ballot?

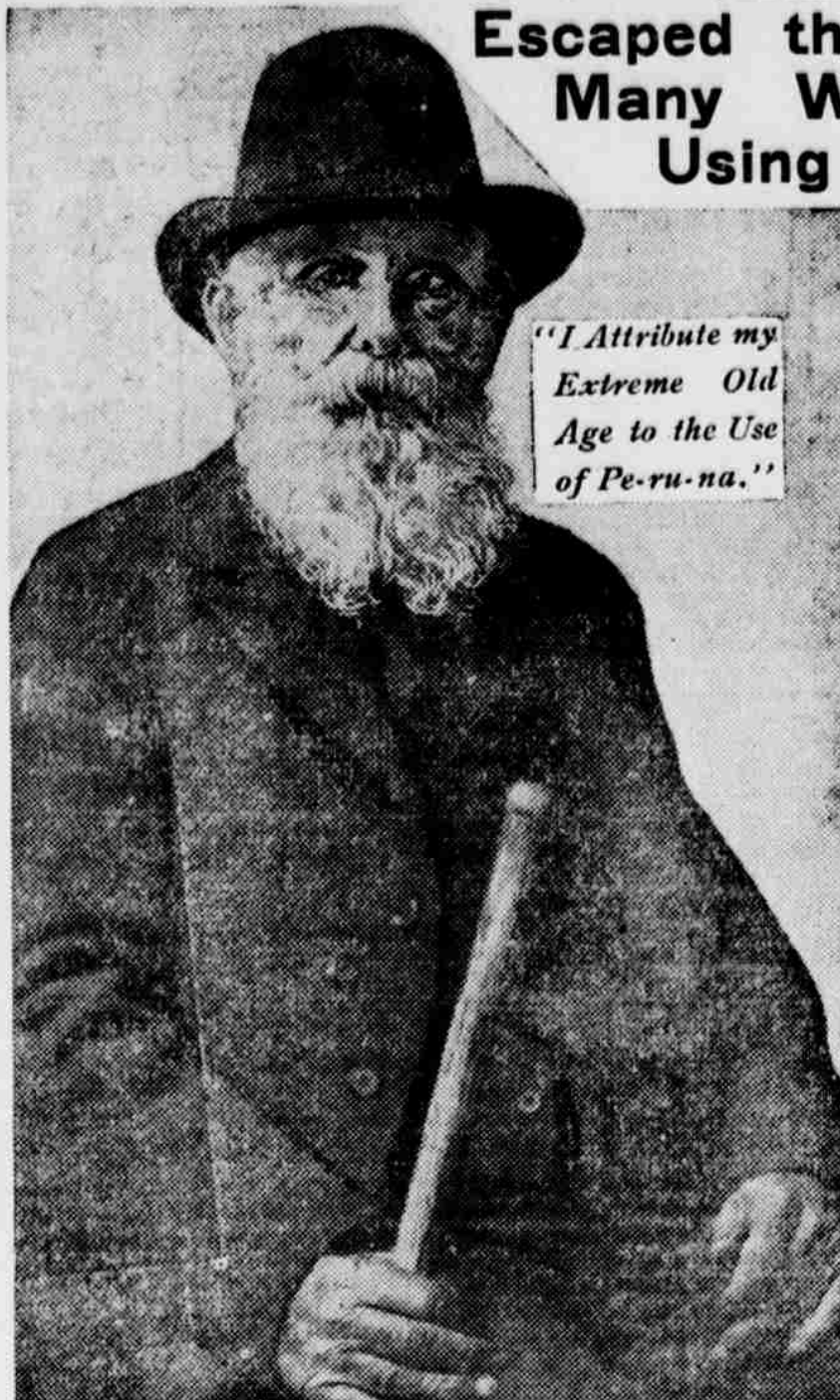
Is it right that a mother who  
has trained her family in the fear of  
God, and who prays daily that they  
may be delivered from evil, should  
be thought unworthy of a vote  
that is freely given to the blas-  
phemer, the liar, the profligate,  
the wife-beater, the gambler, and  
the drunkard.

Is it right that a woman should  
be considered a citizen in the tax-  
office and the criminal court and not  
at the polls?

Is it right that a married woman  
who labors as hard as her husband  
for the home, the property being  
in his name, if he dies without a  
will, she only receives a third of  
the income of that property? If  
she dies, he has a life estate in all  
she possessed.

Is it right that women teachers,  
stenographers, clerks, cooks, etc.,  
doing their work as well and the  
same work as a man, should re-  
ceive from \$10 to \$25 less each  
month because they are women,  
while he receives that much more  
because he is a man? Women  
school teachers receive from \$400  
to \$500 less each year because of  
their sex. Thus the disability of  
disfranchisement costs over 80,000  
women from \$400 to \$572 each per  
annum. That the sole cause for  
this difference in wages for the  
kind and quality of labor is wom-  
en's disfranchisement is shown by  
the fact that in four States where  
women vote their wages are the  
same as men for the same work and  
it is illegal to make any distinction  
in salaries of any person in the  
public service on account of sex.

Do you want to pay such a price

**THE OLDEST MAN IN AMERICA**

Escaped the Terrors of  
Many Winters By  
Using Pe-ru-na.

"I Attribute my  
Extreme Old  
Age to the Use  
of Pe-ru-na."

Mr. Isaac Brock, 119 Years Old Last Birthday.

ISAAC BROCK, a citizen of McLennan  
county, Texas, has lived for 119 years.

For many years he resided at Bosque  
Falls, eighteen miles west of Waco, but  
now lives with his son-in-law at Valley  
Mills, Texas.

Some time ago, by request, Uncle Isaac  
came to Waco and sat for his picture,  
holding in his hand a stick cut from the  
grave of General Andrew Jackson.

Mr. Brock is a dignified old gentleman,  
showing few signs of decrepitude.

His family Bible is still preserved, and  
it shows that the date of his birth was  
written 119 years ago.

Born before the United States were  
formed.  
Saw 22 presidents elected.  
Pe-ru-na has protected him from  
all sudden changes.  
Veteran of four wars.  
Shod a horse when 99 years old.  
Always conquered the grip with  
Pe-ru-na.  
Witness in a land suit at the age  
of 110 years.  
Believes Pe-ru-na the greatest  
remedy of the age for catarrhal  
troubles.

Ask your Druggist for a Free Peruna Almanac for 1909

from your hard toll each year be-  
cause of your sex?

Is it right that a wife is consid-  
ered a man's property, just as real  
estate, only in a higher degree?  
That in 37 States a married moth-  
er or has no right to her own chil-  
dren? In 16 States a wife has no  
right to her own earnings outside  
of the home. In eight States a  
woman has no right to her own  
property after marriage. In seven  
States there is no law compelling a  
man to support his wife and family.

Is it right for a woman to use  
every law gained by the hard toil  
of suffragists, viz.: the privilege of  
making a will, to hold property,  
etc., to refuse to help to make the  
world better for the coming woman?

George William Curtis says:  
"A woman may vote as a stock-  
holder upon a railroad from one  
end of the country to the other.  
But if she sells her stock and buys  
a house with the money, she has  
no voice in the laying out of the  
road before her door, which her  
house is taxed to keep and pay for.  
Why, in the name of good sense,  
if a responsible human being may  
vote upon specific industrial pro-  
jects, may she not vote upon the  
industrial regulation of the State?"

The Allegheny County Equal  
Rights Association, auxiliary to  
the Pennsylvania Woman's Suf-  
frage Association is laboring to  
right these wrongs and urges every  
man or woman who endorses these  
principles to join the association.  
They hold meetings quarterly in  
the parlors of the Young Women's  
Christian Association, Fifth street,  
Pittsburg, (across from Horne's  
stores). Please send your name  
and address.

**Proposed Amendment**

JOINT RESOLUTION,  
proposing an amendment to the  
Constitution of the Commonwealth  
of Pennsylvania.  
Be it resolved, etc., That the fol-  
lowing is proposed as an amend-  
ment to the constitution of the  
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in  
accordance with the provisions of  
Article XVIII thereof:

**AMENDMENT:**

That Section 1, Article VIII of  
the Constitution of the Common-  
wealth of Pennsylvania, which  
reads as follows:  
Section 1. Every male citizen,  
twenty-one years of age, possessing

the following qualifications, shall  
be entitled to vote at all elections.

I. He shall have been a citizen  
of the United States at least one  
month.

II. He shall have resided in the  
state one year, (or, if having pre-  
viously been a qualified elector or  
native-born citizen of the state, he  
shall have removed therefrom and  
returned, then six months) immedi-  
ately preceding the election.

III. He shall have resided in the  
election district where he shall  
offer to vote at least two months  
immediately preceding the election.

IV. If twenty-two years of age or  
upwards, he shall have paid,  
within two years, a state or county  
tax, which shall have been assessed  
at least two months, and paid at  
least one month before the election:  
Be and the same is hereby amended  
so as to read as follows:

Section I. Every citizen, twenty-  
one years of age, possessing the  
following qualifications, shall be  
entitled to vote at all elections:

I. He or she shall have been a  
citizen of the United States at least  
one month.

II. He or she shall have resided  
in the state one year, (or, if having  
previously been a qualified elector  
or native-born citizen of the state  
he or she shall have removed there-  
from and returned, then six  
months) immediately preceding the  
election.

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in the election district where he  
or she shall offer to vote at least  
two months immediately preceding  
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county tax, which shall have been  
assessed at least two months, and  
paid at least one month before the  
election.

Jimmy Connors, who succeeded  
George Cohan in "Running for  
Office" and was the original boy in  
"Foxy Grandpa" will be seen here  
on Saturday, January 16th at the  
Columbia Theatre with Yorke and  
Adams, in the musical comedy  
"Playing the Ponies", by Aaron  
Hoffman, author of "Bankers and  
Brokers". The numbers for this  
popular production were staged by  
Frank Smithsonian, who staged the  
"Orchid" and other well known  
Broadway successes.

**The Potato Crop for 1908.**

220,000 Bushels Less Than Preceding Year  
—Quality Not Up To Standard.

The potato crop for 1908 is said  
to be 264,600,000 bushels 220,000  
less than the year preceding, while  
the quality of the yield is far be-  
low the previous year. If the po-  
tatoes were all good the quantity  
will not supply the home demand,  
since it is only about three bushels  
per capita, and out of that seed  
must come for the next crop. This  
will mean high prices for one of the  
staple foods of the workingman, as  
the tariff on potatoes is so high as  
to permit the home farmers and re-  
tailers to charge a big price for  
their product, and prevent compe-  
tition. No other country report-  
ing the potato crop makes such a  
poor showing as the United States,  
only about eighty bushels to the  
acre, against 200 and more bushels  
by Great Britain, Germany and  
other countries. It is strange that  
we do not grow enough potatoes to  
supply our home demand. The  
cause of this small yield which  
seems to be growing smaller from  
year to year, is said to be due  
more to planting poor seed than to  
any other one cause. The smaller  
yield in 1908 than 1907 was due to  
a more unfavorable season, but the  
steadily declining yield must be  
due to other than climatic condi-  
tions, and seed seems to be the most  
probable cause. Doubtless it is  
true that seed is planted which is  
not desirable for other uses, when,  
in fact, the best specimens should  
be planted. Not the largest, but  
the smoothest, shapeliest and most  
nearly ideal specimens. It is  
doubtless true that those who are  
now growing good crops of pota-  
toes do not care to see all others do-  
ing the same, being satisfied with  
conditions as they are. But "the  
greatest good to the greatest num-  
ber" is the sentiment which should  
prevail.

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Bloomsburg, or call up on Bell  
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and 2.