

THE COLUMBIAN.

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

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GENERAL NEWS.

A New York Stock Exchange seat was sold last week for \$96,000,000, a new record price.

Another society girl has routed a burglar. She lives in Trenton. This is getting to be almost a fad.

J. P. Morgan has bought a controlling interest in the Equitable Life Assurance Society of New York.

This year's iron ore tonnage of the Great Lakes is expected to break 1907's great record of 41,288,000 tons.

The house in New York in which Washington resided when first President is being torn down to make room for a more paying structure.

Within the past week more than one hundred carloads of Canadian wheat have been transferred at Rupert for Philadelphia for export to Europe.

The guard at the tomb of the late President McKinley, at Canton, O., has been reduced from a company of infantry to two non-commissioned officers.

Monday was the coldest day in Los Angeles in 32 years. The temperature fell to 41 degrees. In many places orchardists fought frost with smudge fires.

King Edward, through the Foreign Office, has formally accepted the invitation to act as arbitrator of the Alsop claim dispute between the United States and Chile.

The Secretary of War slipped on a hard wood floor in the White House the other day and took a severe tumble. Now if the President should undertake to overthrow the Secretary of the Interior, the country would be more tickled.

A Legislative Commission reports that \$100,000,000 in personal property escapes taxation in Chicago.

If this condition were discovered in Philadelphia, Mayor Reyburn might use it as a reason to extend the loan and build more pergolas.

President W. H. Truesdale, of the Lackawanna Railroad, has made an emphatic denial of the report that his company contemplates extending its Bloomsburg division to the bituminous coal fields and Pittsburg. He says the Lackawanna does not own any soft-coal property, and so far as he knows doesn't want any.

Keep The Money At Home.

An Ohio concern is sending circulars here, offering to furnish an outfit of printed stationery for \$3.85, in advance, customer to pay express charges, which would be 60 to 75 cents.

We will duplicate the offer, save you express charges, will guarantee as good if not better stock, and you can see just what you are getting before you pay for it.

Don't send your money away from home for printing when you can get the same thing for less cash right here. tf.

Some fellows can't help wondering how the world got along before they were born.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

SURRENDERED AT LAST

She arose as he entered the room. He became at once aware of the unusual animation and sort of suppressed eagerness in her manner, and immediately resolved to ask her that evening the question which had been trembling on his lips for so many weeks, but he had hitherto been chilled into silence by her calm friendliness.

As for her—had not the expert physician who had called that day told her little Emily would be able to walk if a very difficult operation was performed, which would likewise be very expensive? And then, too, did not Bob want to go to college? And before her was the solution. Much depended upon this evening.

After a few commonplace remarks he dropped quite naturally upon his knee beside her, for he loved her with a very great love, and said: "Lois, I love you. Can you love me a little in return?" Somehow it came as a shock to her. Love! She had never thought of it in connection with him. She liked him very much, but the only ones she loved were Emily and Bob whom she had cared for since their parents had died, a few years ago. But he could give her what she most wanted—money, not for herself, but for her little sister and brother.

Lois looked down into the man's face and murmured: "I—I like you better than anyone else I know." A shade of disappointment crossed his face and then he asked: "You will be my wife, dear?" She hesitated just a moment. Perhaps it would not be quite fair to him, and then she said: "Yes, Mr. Palmer," and in his joy he clasped her tenderly to him and kissed her.

So they were married. It was necessarily a quiet little wedding, and after the ceremony they all went to the big house on the hill and the little cottage was deserted.

The next few months were fairly happy ones for Lois, most particularly because Emily was getting well and strong. But at times Lois felt a restlessness and craving for something she could not explain which surprised her. She had never been like that before and she attributed it to the changed conditions surrounding her life. Her husband never troubled her; in fact, she did not see very much of him. Sometimes she almost wished she did see more of him and grew to feel a slight animosity toward the business which took so much of his time. But the idea of loving him never entered her head.

Gerald Palmer had grown wiser in these few months of his married life. He had learned that his wife did not love him. To be sure, she did not object to his caresses, but she submitted to them in an impersonal way and never responded to them. He also noticed that his absence was never commented upon, no matter how late he returned home. At first he had striven to awaken a responsive feeling within her, but, apparently unsuccessful, he desisted and devoted more of his time to his business.

One day when the restlessness seemed greater than usual Lois was walking on the upper veranda of her room when she saw her husband coming in his automobile. She watched his approach. How good he had been to her! Nothing had been denied her and she had had to make no request for what she wanted. It seemed as though he had divined every unspoken wish. She had been happy in a way, but there was something she could not have and she wished she could understand what it was.

Suddenly she saw meandering down the driveway the little puppy he had given her a short time before. It was right in the path of the heavy wheels of the automobile. Her husband noticed it and immediately swung the machine to one side, but it struck one of the massive gateposts and he was thrown to the ground. For a moment it seemed to Lois that her heart stopped beating, and then her first conscious thought was that she must go to him. They brought him to her unconscious, and as she saw him lying there before her she realized what it was she had wanted. It was to express her love for him. Perhaps it was too late. Slowly his eyes opened. "Gerald, my husband," she murmured, tenderly, brokenly, "do not leave me. I love you—love you—love you." The pain-dimmed eyes looked long at her, as though not comprehending. Finally a great peace dawned on Gerald's face and a great joy filled his heart. He said faintly, "That blessed puppy," and then her lips were pressed to his in her first caress.—LOUISE BROWN.

Appliances for Ocean Safety.

Last year a thousand ships or more were lost; the year before the sea took nearly the same toll. To the tourist, his assurance of safety lies in the fact that it is the sailing vessel, with its dependence on the fickle wind, that largely makes up this tremendous loss. Freight steamers, voyaging on unfamiliar coasts, nearly complete the disaster roll. But to the great liners, with their familiar routes, their well-known lanes of travel, their guarded and well-lighted harbors, and all their appliances for safety, the manifold dangers of the ocean are only the remote possibilities that give a touch of adventure to their passage from land to land. The probabilities of disaster are trifling.—From Frank L. Tooker's "Safety at Sea" in the Century.

Mrs. Gadley (severely)—I want you to understand, sir, I pick my company. Mr. Grouch—To pieces, madam.

A Merrier Christmas And A Happier New Year To All.

Ethically, the giving of gifts is a matter so intimate, so personal, that the practice should be discontinued save between near kinsfolk or friends of long standing. To offer a gift should be a privilege conceded, not usurped. There are anniversaries of various sorts, be side weddings and birthdays, that furnish manifold opportunities for festive givers, and blessed be their gifts if they but grant to children all the gladness that may be bought upon each birthday of the Blessed Child.

If among every little coterie of intimates in America it were definitely understood that in future upon Christmas Day gifts should be sent to children exclusively, what a sigh of relief would follow! If, furthermore, those whose habit it has been to "give" at any cost, to any one, were to go frankly to those from whom they are accustomed to obtain their wherewithal to "compete," and name but half the usual amount, again a perfect gale of relief would be made manifest. After which, what quest so joyful as for a toy or two for a forlorn child, and more toys for other children so long as the money lasted!

"But," cautions Philanthropy, "why not buy them warm clothing and coal instead of toys?"

"Because," pleads Love, "they so want upon this one day to play, to 'have fun,' to forget that they are often cold, or that they are

MILEAGE BOOK RULING.

Hereafter Books Will Tell on What Lines They Are Good.

Beginning not later than January first the Pennsylvania Railroad Company and its tributary lines east of Pittsburg will issue with each mileage book a circular indicating distinctly upon just what lines and between what points the mileage is good. The circular will be issued with each book when sold until the supply of books on hand is exhausted. Just as soon as the new mileage books are printed the revised list will be printed upon the front cover page as now.

ever hungry. They want to forget everything save the one blessed, provable fact that "Santa came down our chimney, too." Poor, pitiful little midgets of the world! To be their Santa Claus for one God-blessed day might make even a carper happy. Moreover, if throughout Christendom men and women, husbands and wives, lovers and sweethearts, brothers and sisters, were to agree in all good will that at Christmas one-half the price of contemplated gifts was to be saved, and the other half conscientiously spent for food, coal, and clothing for poor children, thrift would increase, and in all God's world there would be few, if any, hungry, cold, or ragged little ones on Christmas Day.

—MINNA THOMAS ANTRIM in December Lippincott's.



BIANCA WEST IN "PAID IN FULL."

FARMERS' MOVABLE SCHOOLS.

The State Department of Agriculture has arranged for a session of the Farmers' Institute or Movable School of Agriculture, to be held in Bloomsburg on the week beginning on January 10th, and continuing until Friday.

Among the interesting features of the session will be a day given to educational matters, relating to rural schools; their equipment and adaptation to educational requirements of farmers' children. Another session will be given into the hands of the ladies, at which will be taken up such subjects as Women's work in the Home, Domestic Science and Economy, Home Sanitation and Moral and Social Surroundings.

The arrangements are being made by Mr. A. P. Young, the very efficient chairman of Farmers' Institutes for this county. A fine program is being arranged, and the meetings will prove very beneficial not only to farmers, but to the general public.

Card Signs For Sale.

The following printed card signs are kept in stock at the COLUMBIAN OFFICE:

No Admittance.
For Sale.
This Property for Sale.
This Property for Rent.
This Room for Rent.
Post No Bills.
Keep off the Grass, and others.
Window Cards, Step Cards, Trolley Advertising Cards, and Card Signs of any kind, up to 22 by 28 inches in size, white or colors, printed on short notice. tf.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the policy holders of the Briarcrest Farmers Mutual Insurance Company, of Lime Ridge, Pa. will be held at Lime Ridge in the P. O. S. of A. Hall, on Tuesday, January 11th, 1910, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. for the election of twelve Directors to serve for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

H. H. BROWN,
Secretary.

12-2-10.

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, on Tuesday, January 11th, 1910 between the hours of 11 and 12 a. m.

WM. H. HIDLAY,
Cashier.

12-9-10.

EXECUTRIX NOTICE.

Estate of John Reichard, late of Henlock Township, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the above estate have been granted to the undersigned, and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to

MRS. EMMA REICHARD,
Executrix, Bloomsburg, Pa. R. D. 4
N. U. Funk, Attorney. 12-9-10.

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, on Tuesday, January 11, 1910, between the hours of 2 and 4 p. m.

M. MILLESEN,
Cashier.

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