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ORDINATION.

Right Reverend Bishop Darlington
Ordains John E. Diggles and J.
C. Grimes as Deacons in the
Episcopal Church.

AN IMPRESSIVE SERVICE.

For the first time in the history
of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal
church, Bloomsburg, and that goes
back for 116 years or more, the ordination
of Deacons took place on
Wednesday morning. Bishop Darlington
of the Diocese of Harrisburg
performed the office and other
clergymen present besides the Rec-
tor, Rev. James W. Diggles, were
Rev. J. P. Tyler of Hagerstown,
Md., who preached the sermon;
Rev. L. F. Baker of Selinsgrove,
Rev. Alex. McMillan of Carlisle,
and Rev. E. J. Haughton of Dan-
ville.

The candidates for the deaconate
were John E. Diggles, brother of
the rector of St. Paul's, and who
has been in charge of the church at
Northumberland for the past year
or more, and J. C. Grimes, former-
ly a Methodist minister, who is of-
ficiating in a Williamsport parish.

The service consisted of morning
prayer at 10:30, without music. At
11 o'clock the procession entered
from the Parish House, and con-
sisted of the full vested choir, the
clergy, and the Bishop.

The sermon by Rev. J. C. Tyler
was a forceful one, from the text,
"Let a man so account of us as of
the ministers of Christ, and stew-
ards of the mysteries of God. More-
over it is required in stewards that
a man be found faithful."

After the sermon the litany was
said, and this was followed by the
ordination service, and the Holy
Communion. It was a beautiful and
impressive service throughout, and
a large congregation was present to
enjoy it.

MRS. PICKETT LECTURED.

Mrs. Pickett, the widow of the
heroic Confederate general who led
the famous charge at Gettysburg,
lectured in the Normal Auditorium
Monday evening, on "The Battle
of Gettysburg."

Those who braved the disagree-
able weather to climb the hill were
treated to an intensely interesting
talk. Mrs. Pickett described the
conditions of the South prior to the
battle, the reasons for Lee's cam-
paign in Pennsylvania, and the
great battle itself. She, like Sen-
ator Gore, who lectured a couple of
weeks ago, is very loyal to the
Union, and praised the Union Army.

After the lecture, she shook
hands with the members of Ent
Post of the G. A. R. who were the
guests of the evening.

PENMANSHIP.

The penmanship department at
the Normal School is in the compe-
tent hands of A. Bruce Black, and
has been since the opening of the
fall term. Mr. Black is a skilled
penman, and an able instructor,
and from the start this department
has been popular under his direc-
tion. The Seniors are obliged to
take this course for a certain num-
ber of weeks, but many of them
have voluntarily continued it long-
er than the required time. Many
other students are also taking ad-
vantage of it.

Mr. Black has classes every peri-
od in the day.

Miss Elsie Yorks is expected
home to-day from school in Massa-
chusetts, to spend the holidays.

WOULDN'T ACCEPT PLEA.

Judge Evans Don't Believe Kelly is
Guilty of Stealing Furnace.

Judge Evans does not believe
Joseph Kelly, the Danville man
who is charged with stealing a fur-
nace from Mrs. Lillian Wright, of
Bloomsburg, is guilty. This was
made clear Saturday in court at
Bloomsburg when the president
judge refused to impose sentence,
although both Kelly and his part-
ner John James had previously
pleaded guilty. Judge Evans will
allow their case to go before a jury
at the February term.

The men told the judge in court
the circumstances of the case. They
said that they had bought the fur-
nace from Mrs. Wright, but that
when they went to get it there was
no one at home. They went into
the cellar and took the stove apart,
loaded it on their wagon and took
it to a scales to have it weighed
and then brought it to Danville and
sold it, intending to settle with Mrs.
Wright later. Instead they spent
the money for liquor. They were
working to earn money to pay Mrs.
Wright when they were arrested
for larceny.

Judge Evans does not think the
facts warrant a charge of larceny,
and said the men should not have
been allowed to plead guilty.

MEDICAL SOCIETY MEETING.

The Columbia County Medical
Society held its annual meeting at
the Central Hotel last Thursday.
A dinner was served, speeches
made, papers read, and officers
elected. The election resulted as
follows: President, Dr. W. T.
Vance, of Berwick; first vice pres-
ident, Dr. R. E. Warntz, of Nescopeck;
second vice president, Dr. M.
McHenry, of Benton; secretary
and treasurer, Dr. L. B. Kline, of
Catawissa; librarian, Dr. J. R.
Montgomery, of Bloomsburg; cen-
sors, Dr. J. W. Bruner and Dr.
Chas. F. Altmiller, of Bloomsburg,
and Dr. J. M. Vastine, of Catawissa;
committee on public policy and
legislation, Dr. H. V. Hower, of
Mifflinville, Dr. G. E. Follmer, of
Orangeville, and Dr. J. E. Shuman,
of Bloomsburg.

The physicians present were: Dr.
L. P. Kline, of Catawissa; Dr. J.
M. M. Gemmill, of Millville; Dr.
W. T. Vance, of Berwick; Dr. G.
E. Follmer, of Orangeville; Dr. R.
E. Warntz, of Nescopeck; Dr. H.
V. Hower, of Mifflinville; Dr. M.
McHenry, of Benton; Dr. D. M.
Hess, of Rohrsburg, and Drs. J. R.
Montgomery, J. S. John, C. F.
Altmiller, S. B. Arment, R. E.
Miller, J. W. Bruner, J. J. Brown
and J. E. Shuman, of Bloomsburg.

SKEER—WHITE.

The announcement of the mar-
riage in Wilkes-Barre on Tuesday
of Miss Georgia White, daughter
of Mrs. Lillian White, of Centre
street, and Lloyd B. Skeer, son of
Mrs. Laura Skeer, of Market street,
was a decided surprise to the many
friends of the young people.

To all intents and purposes bound
for Wapwallopen for a visit, Miss
White left Bloomsburg on Monday.
Mr. Skeer left Tuesday morning.
The couple met in Wilkes-Barre,
and were married Tuesday morn-
ing at eleven o'clock by the Rev.
C. E. Mogg, pastor of the First
Methodist church of that city.

After a wedding trip to New
York and Philadelphia the bride
and groom will return to Blooms-
burg and reside with Mrs. White
on Centre street.

COMPTROLLER'S CALL.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The Bloomsburg National Bank

At the Close of Business November 16th, 1909

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
U. S. Bonds	\$100,000.00	Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Loans and Invest- ments	622,974.99	Surplus and Profits	60,392.93
Furniture and Fix- tures	8,000.00	Circulation	100,000.00
Cash and Reserve	89,483.81	Bank Deposits	10,820.53
		Individual Deposits	549,245.34
	\$820,458.80		\$820,458.80

WM. H. HIDLAY, CASHIER.

A. Z. SCHOCH, PRESIDENT.

CHAS. FREEZE SHOT.

Shotgun Accidentally Exploded While
He Was Unloading Wagon
at His Farm.

DEATH WAS INSTANTANEOUS.

One of the most pathetic acci-
dents which have occurred in a long
time is that which snuffed out the
life of Charles Freeze on Saturday
evening at his home near Arbutus
Park, when the discharge of his
shotgun blew off the top of his
head and caused instantaneous
death.

He had been in town buying
Christmas presents, and on his way
home stopped at the house of his
brother-in-law, George Kline, on
North Iron street to get his shot-
gun, which had been borrowed.
Arriving home, he went to the
barn to unhitch the team. Mrs.
Freeze, after waiting some time
sent out her son to see if his father
was ready for supper, but the boy
found neither his father nor the
team.

Dr. Peter H. Freeze, who lives
with his son, then went out to
search for him, and made the hor-
rible discovery. The team had
run down the road, evidently fright-
ened by the discharge, and had be-
come entangled in a wire fence.
Across the wagon lay Charles
Freeze, dead, with the top of his
head shot off.

Rumors of suicide have been rife,
but these have been discredited.
While no one witnessed the acci-
dent, it is probable that, while un-
loading the presents and the gun,
the unfortunate man slipped, dis-
charging both barrels into his head.

Charles Freeze was a kind hus-
band and a loving father. He is
survived by his father, Dr. Peter
H. Freeze, his wife, four children,
the eldest of whom is eight years
old, and by a brother, Thornton,
of East First street, and three sis-
ters, Mrs. James Mills, Miss Anna
Freeze, and Mrs. George Kline, all
of Bloomsburg.

The funeral, which was largely
attended, was held on Tuesday the
Rev. J. W. Diggles officiating. In-
terment was made in Rosemont
cemetery.

MINISTERIUM MET.

The Bloomsburg Ministerium met
at the Methodist church Monday
morning at ten o'clock. Rev. S.
C. Dickson was appointed secretary
pro tem. President Heckman ap-
pointed Mr. Dickson and Mr. Zieg-
ler a committee on temperance to
handle matters in relation to licen-
ses and the filing of remonstrances.
Rev. J. E. Byers was appointed to
represent the ministerium at the
meeting in the interest of Negro
education, held in the A. M. E.
church Tuesday evening. Messrs.
Dickson and Byers were appointed
a committee to arrange for union
prayer meetings during the week
of prayer, January 2 to 9.

Rev. J. E. Byers read an inter-
esting paper on the "Message of
the Incarnation."

ACOUSTICS IMPROVED.

Aside from the aesthetic point of
view, the laying of tiling in St.
Paul's Church has had the effect of
improving the acoustics of the
building. The organ, the singing
and the voice of the rector all
sound louder and clearer. The mar-
ble floor acts as a sounding board
with the above effect.

EPISCOPAL GROWTH.

Last Year Breaks Record in That De-
nomination.

Compilation of statistics concern-
ing the growth of the Protestant
Episcopal Church in the United
States and in and near New York
City has just been compiled and they
show a record breaking year. The
growth in the whole country has
been 3 per cent, carrying the total
to 929,117 members. It was in 1890
that the membership passed the
500,000 mark. At the present rate
the 1,000,000 mark will be passed
in 1912, making a growth in these
last twenty-two years as great as
during all of the years from James-
town, 1607, down to 1890.

In New York the Episcopal
Church membership is now 89,748,
a growth last year of 4 per cent.
Long Island shows also 4 per cent.
growth for the year, with 37,595
members, and Newark diocese 4
per cent, with 22,652 members. It
is the largest growth recorded for
the metropolitan district in many
years. Growth in New York City
and diocese has been very steady
for more than twenty years. For
example, the figures for 1893 were
56,218; for 1899, 69,521; for 1904,
78,149, and last year, as stated,
89,748.

Finances have also gone forward
rapidly during the last year. The
total gifts to the entire Church for
the year were \$18,358,800, which
is almost exactly \$20 a member.
This is a higher rate than is attain-
ed by any other religious body in
the world, certainly any Christian
body. The next highest is that of
Presbyterian North, which last year
gave \$16.25 a member. The total
gifts for the whole Church were
\$368,500 larger than the previous
year, but New York did much bet-
ter even than that. Gifts from
New York last year reached \$3,412,-
693, or a larger sum by \$762,000
than the previous year, and the
highest amount ever given. In
gifts to missions high water mark
was also reached last year, the di-
ocese of New York for the first time
giving all that was asked for world
missions and a little more. The
sum was \$133,160, \$15,000 more
than was ever given before.

THE HENRIE CASE.

The suit of A. A. Henrie and
his daughter against the D. L. &
W. R. R. Co., was the only civil
case tried this week, and is now in
the hands of the jury. It is an
action for \$10,000 damages for in-
juries alleged to have been received
at a grade crossing. The case was
hotly contested. The counsel for
the defendant are Fred Ikeler, A.
C. Jackson of this county, and
Messrs. Reese and Oliver of Scrant-
on. Paul J. Sherwood represents
the plaintiff.

BE PATIENT.

In the Telephone Exchange the
wires are being changed from the
old switch board to the new, and
there is necessarily some confusion.
Patrons should be patient, and not
find fault with the girls if a wrong
call or a wrong number is given.
They are not to blame, and are
doing the best they can under the
circumstances. Before long every-
thing will be adjusted, and much
better service is promised.

Miss Ethel Bierman will arrive
home from Simmons College, Mas-
sachusetts, on the 23rd, to spend
the holiday vacation.

CHRISTMAS

But Two Weeks Off

GET BUSY

Bath Robes

House Coats

Sweater Coats

Fur Caps

Neckwear

Heavy Driving Gloves

Adler's Fine Kid Gloves

Bradley Mufflers

Luzerne Underwear.

Everwear Hosiery

Stetson Hats.

Toques and Pull Caps

Golf Gloves

Boys' Indian Gauntlets

Boys' Corduroy Suits

Presto Collar Overcoats

All 50c, \$1.00 and \$2.00

Neckwear in Boxes

Boys Suit Cases

Umbrellas

TOWNSEND'S

CORNER

CLOTHING STORE,

BLOOMSBURG, PA.