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Business Cards.

B. W. GREEN,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
Emporium, Pa.
All business relating to estate, collections, real estates, Orphan's Court and general law business will receive prompt attention. 42-17.

J. C. JOHNSON, J. P. McNARNEY,
JOHNSON & McNARNEY,
ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW
Emporium, Pa.
Will give prompt attention to all business entrusted to them. 16-17.

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Collections promptly attended to. Real estate and pension claim agent,
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THOMAS WADDINGTON,
Emporium, Pa.,
CONTRACTOR FOR MASONRY AND
STONE-CUTTING.
All orders in my line promptly executed. All kinds of building and cut-stone, supplied at low prices. Agent for marble or granite monuments. Lettering neatly done.

AMERICAN HOUSE,
East Emporium, Pa.
JOHN L. JOHNSON, Prop'r.
Having resumed proprietorship of this old and well established house I invite the patronage of the public. House newly furnished and thoroughly renovated. 48-17.

THE NOVELTY RESTAURANT,
(Opposite Post Office.)
Emporium, Pa.
WILLIAM McDONALD, Prop'r.
I take pleasure in informing the public that I have purchased the old and popular Novelty Restaurant, located on Fourth street. It will be my endeavor to serve the public in a manner that shall meet with their approbation. Give me a call. Meals and luncheon served at all hours. 1027-17r Wm. McDONALD.

MAY GOULD,
TEACHER OF
PIANO, HARMONY AND THEORY,
Also dealer in all the Popular sheet Music,
Emporium, Pa.
Scholarship taught either at my home on Sixth street or at the homes of the pupils. Out of town scholars will be given dates at my rooms in this place.

F. C. RIECK, D. D. S.,
DENTIST,
Emporium, Pa.
Office, Fourth street, opposite opera house.
Gas and other local anaesthetics administered for the painless extraction of teeth.
SPECIALTY:—Preservation of natural teeth, including Crown and Bridge Work.

SEALED PROPOSALS.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA,
STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT,
Harrisburg, Pa., Aug. 4, 1905.

SEALED proposals will be received by the State Highway Department of Pennsylvania, under the Act approved May 1st, 1905, for the construction of 1,500 feet of road, extending from the western line of Emporium at the County Bridge over Driftwood Creek to a point on the road to Beechwood in Shippen township in the county of Cameron. Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of the county commissioners, Emporium, Pa., and at the office of the State Highway Department, Harrisburg, Pa. Bidding blanks will be furnished by the State Highway Department upon request. Bids must be endorsed "PROPOSALS FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF ROAD IN SHIPPEN TOWNSHIP, CAMERON COUNTY," and received at the office of the State Highway Department not later than September 2nd, 1905.

JOSEPH W. HUNTER,
State Highway Commissioner.

CHARTER NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, on Tuesday, the twelfth day of September, A. D. 1905, by Joseph Kaye, George J. Labay, George H. Jones, Henry Aush, Josiah Howard, A. C. Blum and E. W. Gaskill under the Act of Assembly, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29th, 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation to be called KEYSTONE CHEMICAL COMPANY, the character and object of which is for the purpose of manufacturing all kinds of chemicals, selling the products so manufactured, by it, and utilizing and selling the by-products resulting from such manufacture and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of said Act of Assembly and supplements thereto.

B. W. GREEN, Solicitor.
Emporium, Pa., Aug. 16th, 1905.—26-47.

For Sale.

One good work team of horses; sound and true; weighs 2800 pounds. Will sell reasonable; have no more use for them. 22-17. R. M. CRUM.

WANTED.—A plain cook, in small family. Cooking only required. Wages three dollars. Apply at PRESS office. 23-17.

WANTED.—A man to sell tea, coffee, baking powder, spices, extracts and soap. Address, 24-37. GRAND UNION TEA CO., DuBois, Pa.

For Sale.

Store doing a good business. Inquire at this office.

WANTED.—A good girl for general house work. Apply to Mrs. W. H. Howard.

Teams for Sale.

Two good work teams for sale cheap, also harness, wagons, and sleighs. Inquire at this office. Teams weigh 2600 and 2700. 25-27.

Bargain in Books.

A complete set of Britannica Encyclopedia, consisting of thirty volumes and key. Are all new and in original packages. Will be sold at a bargain. Apply at PRESS office. 36-17.

Every man owes it to himself and his family to master a trade or profession. Read the display advertisement of the six Morse Schools of Telegraphy, in this issue and learn how easily a young man or lady may learn telegraphy and be assured a position. 24-4m.

Campers Return.

Mr. Henry Haupt and wife, Mr. James G. Earl and wife and Mr. A. M. Haupt who spent ten days at Sodus Point on Lake Ontario are home again, greatly delighted with their outing, physically benefited and with a stock of fish stories severely taxing ones credulity to believe.

Most Gigantic Explosion in World's History.

50 TONS OF DYNAMITE

From Portsmouth, N. H., Times, July 22, 1905.

The PRESS had hoped, last week to publish a full report of the most wonderful as well as the most successful dynamite explosion ever manipulated in this or any other country, that which the National Government has for years been expending large sums of money, to aid navigation, but failed to secure. The fact that the major portion of the large shells of dynamite especially the gelatine shells, three feet in length were manufactured by the Emporium Powder Manufacturing Company. When the great and fatal explosion took place at Emporium this Company was pushing the work for the Portsmouth contract. The gelatine plant being only partially destroyed the Company managed to keep and fill the contract in time.

Mr. Fred Julian, who was present at Portsmouth, representing the Emporium interests, as well as assisting with the work, declares it to have been the most complete piece of work ever engineered. Dynamite experts from all parts of the United States declared the powder excellent and the Little Italian, who had charge of the packing, jumped into the air when he saw that the explosion was going off, "Hell, but him good."

At ten minutes past four, ten minutes behind the schedule time, the button was pressed which turned on the electric current and the great explosion took place.

There was a loud report followed by three sharp cracks.

Thousands of gallons of water were thrown into the air more than a hundred feet.

The water turned a dark murky color and a wave at least twenty feet high swept over toward the Newcastle shore.

The air was filled with flying rocks and debris, the most of which seemed to be headed toward Pierce Island, where thousands of people were congregated.

At the navy yard no damage was done, not even a pane of glass being shattered, while in this city a tremble as of a slight earthquake was all that could be noticed.

For months or to be more exact, ever since it was officially given out that fifty tons of dynamite would be exploded at one time to remove the tangle of what the famous "Pull-and-be-Damned" point, people of this city have had explosion on the brain, and not even forget this most wonderful of "blow-ups."

It has been the topic of conversation everywhere, in the parlor, in the work shop and in the field. Everybody has expressed their views on the subject and where one would come forward with the remark that no damage would result another has said that the whole or part of the city would receive serious damage.

But to-day all have been nervous and some have worried much about their future. Many refused to stay in the city and went off for the day, in order that they may be safe, leaving their home to receive what-ever damage may come to it.

WITH THE SPECTATORS

This afternoon the entire population of the city, with the exception of those who took to the country out of fear, has assembled at the waters front to see all that is to be seen along with 10,000 or more strangers who have come from all parts of New England.

People are here from everywhere, New England of course turning out the biggest crowd, and every incoming train and trolley has not a seat to spare. In addition there have arrived special delegations of noted scientific men from New York, Boston, Montreal and Chicago, come to see what effect fifty tons of dynamite really has.

Henderson's Point being practically a part of the government reservation the navy yard officials took extraordinary precautions looking to the safety of people and their valuables. The ammunition in the yard magazine was placed on board a coal barge and towed to the lower harbor out of the way. The point is now known as Henderson's Point, named thus three years ago by the contracting company who had charge of the job. The point formerly bore the name of "Pull-and-be-Damned." This name originated in revolutionary times, when a boat from a British man-of-war was chasing a Yankee craft inward. Reaching the narrow the American sailors being familiar with the strong current pushed through easily. But the British boat the instant it struck the current whirled quickly around. After repeated unsuccessful efforts the officers at the helm said, "Pull and be damned" You can't get around that point and they didn't.

WHERE MISS FOSTER PRESSED THE BUTTON.

In anticipation of a serious damage the navy yard was closed down at noon and the workmen allowed to go home. After that hour nobody was

allowed on the yard except those having a special pass.

At ten minutes of four a long blast was sounded from the navy yard whistle to warn people that the time of the blast was near at hand.

The blast was fired from a stand erected on Reservoir hill, just back off and 850 feet from the point of explosion in full view of everything at the point.

Upon this stand a most distinguished party witnessed the event, including Rear Admiral W. W. Mead, U. S. N., and other naval officers stationed at the yard, with members of the congressional delegation and many prominent engineers from all sections of the country.

At the base of this stand stood Miss Edith M. Foster the beautiful daughter of Supt. O. H. Foster, with her right hand ready to press the button that caused the explosion.

The dynamite especially constructed arrived in two cargoes, the first July 3 and the last cargo on Monday. This was made up in sticks two feet long and varying from two to four inches in thickness. The work of charging the holes began Saturday, July 8, and was under the personal supervision of Verocaki, an Italian who has been handling dynamite for 20 years. The charging was done by a tube where the holes were not clear, and otherwise with a long pole rammer. In each hole about 300 pounds of dynamite was placed and in each hole three fuses or matches were inserted. These matches were the largest ever imported into this country, being made in Germany, especially for the job and they contain 45 grains of the highest explosives.

EYES OF THE WORLD UPON US.

The use of such a great quantity of high explosives under such circumstances was never before attempted, and the undertaking is watched by engineers all over the world. The blowing up of Hell Gate, at the entrance to New York Harbor, was of small importance in comparison. This work, which attracted wide attention at the time, was accomplished by tunnelling under the rock, the explosives, being placed in the tunnel. At Henderson's Point the dynamite was distributed in more than 400 borings, encircling an area of over three acres, and all exploded at the same moment.

CAUSE OF THE EXPLOSION.

What is known as Henderson's Point juts out from the Kittery side of the harbor, near the navy yard, and the formation of this stretch of land was such as to cause innumerable currents, the end that projects out into the harbor entrance was about 800 feet wide, but on each side a sweeping curve of beach the neck ran back, growing gradually narrower until it reached a place inshore where the water swept over during very high tides and made the point practically an island. This resulted in currents which ran with tremendous force in many directions and made the channel at times almost un navigable.

Large vessels could not get into the harbor without the help of tugs, and even then great difficulty was experienced. The bow would be in one current and the stern in another, and captains have declared that their vessels were in three different currents, all forcing the craft in different directions. Only the most skilled oarsman thoroughly acquainted with the harbor could do anything with a small boat and even be could not steer a straight course from point to point.

The dry dock is one of the finest in the world, a mammoth affair built on a solid rock foundation and capable of holding the largest war vessel afloat. With this dock inside the harbor it became necessary to make it accessible for all kinds of warships and it was finally decided to remove about 550 feet from the end of Henderson's Point.

Over the dam and almost reaching its top is the rushing water of the channel, and vessels sailing by are almost on a level with the top of the dam. Surrounded almost by this great force of water, the men in the hole were worked in apparent safety, and yet should there have been a log break it is doubtful whether all could have escaped. Their only hope would have been to climb the long ladders to the top or float on the top of the rising water until they were rescued. But the possibility of such a break was very remote, they had been working down there for months apparently as safe as the men in the great quarries at Rockport, with which this great excavation on Henderson's Point might be compared.

The work of getting ready for the "blow-up" has been going on for some weeks and everything within a distance of 200 feet was removed; Then came the work of boring the holes for the placing of the dynamite. For this work the longest drills ever manufactured were used. Each boring was about 60 feet long and from two to three inches in diameter. Those reaching under the harbor were about five feet apart. Other holes equally close were drilled in the solid wall of rock above and about 400 holes were thus bored in order to thoroughly honeycomb the area from which the stone was to be removed.

When all of the dynamite had been placed the basin was flooded, the water being let in gradually so that no damage would be done to the wires. With the point under water there was a stretch of 1,000 feet from shore to shore. The mines were covered by about 30 feet of water.

Geologists have been greatly interested in the undertaking as well as engineers. Both agreed that the geological formation of the rock at the point was favorable for a successful termination of the final stroke in this remarkable engineering feat. It was found the stratification run from northeast to

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Childs Body Found.

On Friday Aug. 11th, about 3:30 p. m., the body of a child about two months old was found in the West Branch of the Susquehanna River about six feet from the shore, about 150 yards east of Driftwood Borough line. It was a male child nicely dressed and looked as though it had been well cared for when living. One side of its head was crushed in. Squire Bernard Nefcy, of Driftwood empanelled a jury and the verdict was that the child met its death from unknown causes. Overseer of the Poor, B. J. Collins took charge of the remains and entered them in the Driftwood cemetery. No clue to the identity of the child has yet been found.

Will be Married.

Jasper Harris left last Sunday for Syracuse, N. Y., where arrangements are being perfected for a big wedding to take place, Sunday, August 20th. One of the contracting parties in this affair is our townsman Mr. Jasper Harris, and the other is Miss Minnie Tampowsky, of Syracuse. The wedding will take place at the home of the bride's parents at the above named place. Mr. Harris is one of our cloth-merchants and enjoys a large patronage and will make a good husband. The lady of his choice is one of Syracuse young people. After a short honeymoon they will return to Emporium and take up their abode at the New Warner. We extend congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Harris and wish them a happy and prosperous married career.

A False Alarm.

A Slay from the Coal Chutes was in town last Friday morning and imbibed too much conversation water, and started toward the Chutes about noon, as usual in such cases, he made up his bed between the tracks just ahead of the Buffalo Flyer's time. The engineer of the flyer not seeing him until after the engine had passed, supposed naturally that he had struck the man; stopped at Cameron station and notified operator Hoyt and Foreman Robinson who hastened to the spot. Mr. Robinson taking his men and hand car along. Upon arriving upon the scene the man was placed on the car and taken to the Chutes, the man then wanted to be taken farther but his rescuers were not in a trifling mood, so he offered them ten cents as an inducement. But Mr. Robinson was not in a pleasant frame of mind and administered some good sound advice and started the man on his way up the county road.

"Laugh and the world laughs with you, weep and you weep alone."

It is said that Jupiter laughed for seven days after he was born. If you want to experience a fellow feeling for Jupiter you should go to a performance of the great Sig. Sautelle and Welsh Bros.' Combined Railroad Shows, which will exhibit in Emporium, Saturday afternoon and evening, August 26, and witness the antics of the army of clowns; for, if you do see these funny fellows you will surely laugh many a day after. The clowns of this big circus are positively funny.

The circus display proper is one of phenomenal magnitude and merit. The program is calculated to suit every ardent taste and preference, being composed of every conceivable species of circus act. But the whole is diversified frequently by the coterie of clowns, who, by the original and spontaneous humor, cause the spectators to emit veritable volcanic eruptions of ha-ha's, which loudly reverberate in the dome of the huge amphitheater. Some people are of the opinion that the clown is no longer an essential or important part of the circus; however, nothing could be farther from the truth, for as a matter of fact, much of the success of the circus depends on these funmakers. The little folks simply demand them, everybody knows that the circus must give the small boy and girl whatever they demand. The clowns must be furnished, and the great Sig. Sautelle and Welsh Bros.' circus furnishes them. Years ago, in the palmy days of the one ring wagon circus, a single singing Shakespearian clown would suffice; at the present time, with a large railroad show, a score or more up-to-date clowns are required. If you are feeling blue or have that tired feeling, the clowns can cure you. Come and let them demonstrate their phenomenal ability. Remember the day and date. Saturday, August 26, at Emporium. This big circus will give exhibitions in Johnsonburg Monday, August 28.

Up to Date Quarantine.

So great is the yellow fever scare in Baton Rouge, the Capitol of Louisiana, that the authorities have gone the length of cutting off all the communication, even by wire, with New Orleans. It is also reported that the town of Wesson, Miss., refused to receive a car load of carboic acid from New Orleans until it had first been disinfected!

Another Fire at Cameron.

At 1:30 Friday morning Aug. 11th, fire was discovered in the meat market owned by Mr. Geary, of Lock Haven, and Mr. Tanner, of Driftwood. Mr. McCann employed as night watchman for the Cameron Lumber Company and an Italian named Bevacqua were the first to discover the fire and quickly sounded the alarm. Calling out every one in the town including women and children. The rescuing party went to work at once removing the grocery stock from Schwab Bro's store which was the second door from the market and as there was no water available and no insurance on the Schwab Bro's goods, everyone worked heroically to save the merchandise, which was accomplished in a very short time. Engineer Probst brought the Lumber Company's engine and an empty box car which was soon loaded with merchandise and Post Office records, mail matter, etc., as the post office was also located in the store. The car was quickly pulled out of reach of the fire. Fortunately there was no wind, the evening being very calm and the fire did not spread. The Valley Hotel which is just across the way took fire in several places owing to the intense heat, but was promptly extinguished. Proprietor Olsen however had his goods all packed however, ready to move in a moments notice in case the worst came. The three buildings destroyed were, the meat market, the store rooms formerly occupied by the Cameron Store Co., and Schwab Bro's store. All except meat market were owned by L. K. Huntington, of Emporium, and fully covered by insurance. The meat market was owned by Mr. Tanner and Mr. Geary; insured for \$500.00. These gentlemen were the heaviest losers, losing about \$100.00 worth of meats and a refrigerator valued at \$400.00. An investigation as to the origin of the fire shows that it must have been the work of an incendiary as parties who were first on the scene discovered a small hole about eight inches square in the rear door of the meat market which had apparently been cut with an axe which indicates that it was done to gain an entrance to fire the building as fire started from that point. It is to be hoped that the party or parties who did this piece of work will soon be apprehended for at the present rate fires are breaking out no one will be safe to live in the houses here to say nothing of putting their goods in.

Event of the Season.

The dance to be given at the Rich Valley platform Friday evening, Aug. 18th promises to be the event of season. All lovers of this amusement should not fail to attend. The best of order, with first class music, and being such a short distance from town, a general good time is assured.

Mrs. R. H. Gilbert Dead.

The wife of the Rev. R. H. Gilbert, D. D., a former pastor of the First Methodist Church of this place died in Methodist General Hospital at Philadelphia last Sunday.

She was Mr. Gilbert's second wife and the sympathy of a large circle of Emporium friends will be with him in this afflictive dispensation. The funeral was held at Berwick yesterday.

Base Ball.

The game of base ball between Emporium and Renovo at Keystone Park, Saturday afternoon, resulted in a victory for the visitors by a score of 4 to 2. The game was called about 5:15 and after the fourth inning it began to rain but the boys continued to play, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather.

Death's Doings.

Mr. John Kelley died at his home on Maple street, Tuesday morning from a serious case of stomach trouble of long standing. Deceased was 57 years of age and is survived by a wife. He was an industrious man of good habits, and commended in a marked degree the esteem of his neighbors. Funeral services were held from St. Marks Church this morning at 9 o'clock, the Rev. Father Downey officiating.

For Sale.

Good bay work team; eight and nine years old; weight 2800; for sale. Apply at PRESS office.

WEATHER REPORT.
(Forecast by T. B. Lloyd.)
FRIDAY, Fair.
SATURDAY, Fair.
SUNDAY, Fair.

NOTES OF INTEREST.

Owing to the derailment of one car at Johnsonburg, Sunday, Erie mail was about three hours late.

We acknowledge the receipt of a copy of the Game, Fish and Forestry Laws of the Commonwealth.

The calling off of the races scheduled for the last day of the firemen's convention at Bradford, on account of the rain, was a great disappointment to the visiting companies who had teams ready to participate in the events.

A tramp knocked at the door of a farm house in a little country town and when the lady opened the door he said in a trembling voice, "Have you a square meal to give a hungry man?" "Yes sir," she said, "and he will be home at six o'clock to get it."

Persons desiring information regarding the Musical Kindergarten now being organized by Lillian Heilmann, may obtain same by telephoning her or calling at her residence on West Fourth street. The first class will begin work Monday the twenty-first.

A western newspaper offered a prize for the best answer to the conundrum, "Why is a newspaper like a woman?" The prize was won by a lady in Oklahoma who sent in the following answer: "Because every man should have on of his own and not run after his neighbors."

Norman Parks and Miss Anna Pond, two well known young people of this place, were married at Emporium last Saturday. The happy young couple returned to this place and are now busy receiving the congratulations of their many friends in which the Press heartily joins.—Johnsonburg Press.

The editor of an exchange maintains that satan will not permit any editor to enter his domain and gives as a reason that being a wise old servant he knows that the editor, if admitted would constantly be keeping in contact with his delinquent subscribers and discord and trouble of a serious nature would be the result.

A professor has discovered among some ancient ruins what is supposed to be the eleventh commandment. The text is as follows: "Emas rofytlpmorp yap uoht sselnu repapens a daer ton tlahs uoht." The commandment is easily translated by beginning at the end of the sentence and reading backwards.—Ex.

The young man who thinks himself too good to do common labor, but who is willing that his mother support him by daily toil, may be counted upon to make a mighty poor citizen of this Republic. What he needs is to be put out to grass so that he may "root hog or die" If he don't root the world will be better off if he dies.

According to the North East Breeze, the grape crop promises to be the largest in years; the vines are simply loaded and the clusters are large and splendidly formed. Very little of disease of the vine and fruit has been reported thus far, and unless some unforeseen damage occurs the grape crop for 1905 will be a record-smasher both in quantity and quality.

That is a deplorable story which comes from Mercer, Pa., at a Congregational meeting of a church in that place, held for the purpose of issuing a call to a Fort Huron, Mich., minister; 98 votes were cast, while a count established the fact that only 92 persons were present and six of the number were ineligible. Twenty-nine members have entered a protest against what is charged as ballot-box stuffing.

One of the most eccentric wills ever filed for probate was that of Miss Anna Gunning, of Pittsburg. In her will she bequeaths the bulk of her half million dollars to Carl F. Miller, who was at one time an admirer of the deceased, on condition that he secure an absolute divorce from his present wife or that Mrs. Miller should die. Mr. Miller being perfectly satisfied with his matrimonial venture, has no intention of suing for a divorce, and his wife has no intention of dying, consequently the legacy lapses.

Sunday Service.

The Rev. H. C. Bowen will preach his last sermon next Sunday at Moore Hill, Howard Siding and Beechwood. The Rev. W. H. Closson, of Juniata, Pa., has been named as his successor.

FOR SALE. One new portable gas lamp, also good second hand, Yale, cushion frame bicycle. Apply Rev. H. C. Bowen, at Mr. Hackerberg's.

Beans a Yard Long.

Isaac Sands, of South Williamsport, has raised a crop of "Jersey yard beans," which he claims are the finest that grow. Some of the pods are a full yard long.—Williamsport News.