## THE SCRANTON TRIBUNE-TUESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 18, 1896.

such cases, the motive, had been en-tirely lost sight of by the prosecution.

BOARD WILL CELEBRATE.

School Is Opened.

A number of routine matters were

also disposed of at the meeting. One

of them was the interpreting of one of

the rules for entrance to the high school,

recently promulgated by the board. The

of the rule quoted these students are

APPLICATIONS FOR DIVORCES.

eparations Wanted by Mrs. Swallow

and Mrs. Schofield.

withdraw from his home on the elev-

enth day of this month.

treated her in a cruel manner.

FARMERS WILL PICNIC.

Madisonville Thursday.



Only rounded spoonfuls are required-not heaping spoonfuls.

and will have to furnish bail to answer the

**BOARDS OF EXAMINERS.** 

terday by the Court.

charge at court or remain in jail.



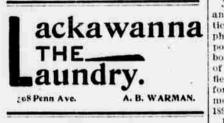
"Husband, this air is stuffy and bad; Fil get a divorce if there's one to be had. Air that's purc, and a house that's bright, Can only be found with The Suburban Light."



#### COMPANY.

The greatest luxury in a modern home (next to a good bath room) is the Incandes-ent Electric Light No dwelling is complete or "up-to date" without both. No business place without the latter.

Our system, using the alternating current, is absolutely safe from fire.



Great **Re-Building** Sale.

now 25c.

now 53c.

now 63c.



35c, kind, 40c, kind, SOC. kind, 65c. kind. 75c, kind, 85c, kind, \$1,00 kind, now 72 c. now 75c. \$1.15 kind,

These Goods consist of Ingrains and This is a genuine Mark Down Sale.



127 WYOMING AVE.

Second Legislative District. The Republican voters of the Second legislative district will meet in convention in the arbitration room, court house Scranton, Pa., on Tuesday, Aug. 18, at lock n. m., for the pi

On Aug. II Mrs. Mary E. Hughes appeared ACCUSED FIRE-BUGS befoe Alderman Bailey and swore out a warrant for the arrest of John Riley, an unmarried man and a nephew of the John ESCAPE BY A FLUKE Riley mentioned in the above article, for threatening to kick the life out of Michael Hughes. When brought before the al-derman the case was settled by the plaintiff withdrawing the complaint and the defendant paying the costs.

defendant paying the costs. There was a hearing yesterday before the judges in the Schmittheifer habeas corpus case. Last Friday Miss Frances Schmittheifer was committed to jail by Alderman Ruddy, of the Twentieth ward, on a charge of having stolen two gold rings, the property of Mrs. Martha Hug. In her jetition for a writ of habeas cor-pus Miss Schmittheifer said she was unitless of the charge made azainst her. FAILED TO ESTABLISH A CASE

No Evidence Was Offered as to Who Owned the House or Whether or Not have charge of this department of the lit Was insured. All of Which Was high school and it is their wish to be It Was Insured, All of Which Was guittless of the charge made against her. Nevertheless she was remanded to the custody of the sheriff after the hearing Fatal to Cause of Commonwealth. her teaching. Under the provisions

entitled to admission to the high school Chief Hickey failed to make out a prima facie case agaist Mrs. A. J. Thomas and her sons, Fred and Jesse, charged with setting fire to their hous

at 1141 West Court street, Sundary Three of Them Were Appointed Yesmorning last and Alderman Howe bebefore whom they were arraigned was James E. Morrison, of Carbondale,

forced to discharge them from custody and Joseph T. Roberts, of Jermyn, pracalthough, as he stated, he was not entical miners, and A. P. Patton of Olytirely satisfied of their innocence. phant, a mine superintendent, were ap-There was a mass of evidence throw pointed by the court yesterday as a ing suspicion on the accused but as conboard of examiners for the examination tended by their attorney, John P. Kelly, of candidates for certificates as qualiand admitted by the alderman, it was fied mine foremen and assistant i ine not sufficient to warrant their being filed by Attorney Milton W. Lowry, she foremen in the first district, the app ntheld for court. ment to date from the January t rm,

What directed suspicion against them 1896, and to continue for one year. was the finding of a quantity of In the second district John R. Jones, of kindling wood and kerosene-soaked Bellevue, and Patrick H. Sammon, of feed bags piled on the floor of the arrived on the scene, although the fire Thomases were busily engaged in sav ing their household goods.

NO MOTIVE SHOWN.

there was and insurance concerned of whether the house was owned or rent ed by the Thomases. He also contended in some way the presumption was that they were not aware of their presence of topics in which farmers are inter-

in the kitchen. Lieutenant Spellman testified that he neighbors. He began fooking' around they avoided him. One young man

ouse." Later on he succeeded in find

SATURATED WITH OIL .

Valentine Birtley, permanent man o

the center of the room, Mrs. Thomas

and bonnet when the fire company at

was taken possession of and introduced

in evidence. It was thoroughly soaked

ounded he despatched his two daugh-

Assistant Chief John Timlin gave tes

with the hose, but afterwards reluct-antly did so. One of the Thomas boys

assisted them in fighting the fire by

throwing a couple of buckets of water

When the prosecution at this junc-

ture announced that it had no further

evidence to offer Mr. Kelly said he did

not think it necessary to offer any tes-

timony on the part of the defense and

further did not even propose to make any argument. The prosecution had

failed to make out a case, he said, and

much hesitancy dismissed the case, saying that while he was not wholly

satisfied of the innocence of the ac-

failed to show prima facie evidence of

he guilt of the accused.

used he believed the prosecution had

The principal point of evidence in

in the blaze.

with kerosene oil.

NEW ASSESSMENT To Have a Jubilation When New High It is an All-Important Question Now in

SHALL THERE BE A

**Municipal Circles.** At last night's meeting of the high and training school committee, plans were discussed for a grand celebration in IT COMES UP TOMORROW NIGHT connection with the opening of the new high school. It is the purpose to have present every surviving ex-school controller as a guest of the present board on this auspicious occasion. There

**Tax Committee of Select Council Will** Pass Upon the Matter and Make a the needs of the muncipality. will be speech-making of course, pos Recommendation Thursday Night. sibly exhibitions by the pupils and some substantial kind of entertainment as a grand finale. Nothing definite has as yet What the New Assessment Meaus to been decided upon further than that it Necessary at This Time. is to be a grand affair befitting the

> Whether or not a new city assess- help at city hall, a paid fire department ment shall be made next year depends and a police force commensurate with in a great degree on the action of the the needs of the city, would be among tax committee of select council, which the possibliities and the city would not meets tomorrow night to pass upon the have to pay interest on judgments for resolution advising the board of re- damages, because of a depleted judgevision and appeals to order such an ments and incidentals fund.

> assessment and may do so even in case councils should advise otherwise. They

would prefer however, to have council the resolution in question was taid be-fore councils in order to test their sentisanction the move and at their instance ments. The resolution reads as folallowed to finish their course under lows:

Whereas, The necessity of a new city assessment for 1897 is under discussion,

Wheras, The board of revision and ap peals might desire some expression of the gense of council on the matter, be it Reelved. That the board of revision and appeals be advised to order a new city as-sessment in 1897, for the purpose of equal-SILVER PLATED WARE izing assessments and placing lands and

Mrs. Lizzie J. Swallow began proceedings yesterday to secure a divorce improvements on the same basis from Isaac W. Swallow. They were The resolution was introduced in married May 16, 1882, at La Grange, Wyoming county, and for eight years common council by Mr. Regan, of the Sixth, who is a member of the board of revision and appeals; it passed that

have resided in Scranton. Mrs. Swallow now resides at 397 North Bromley body and is now in the hands of the avenue, and in her libel, which was tax committee of select council, which committee will take the matter into sets forth that her husband rendered consideration tomorrow night and her condition so intolerable by his cruel make some recommendation regarding treatment that she was compelled to it at next Thursday night's meeting.

IT IS IMPORTANT.

Mrs. Diana Schofield is another in-This proposed new assessment means much to the city of Scranton. jured wife who began proceedings yesterday to secure a divorce from Al-If it is not made the city will again exfred Schofield. They were married in perience the difficulty encountered last this city on November 25, 1890, and spring, when the estimates committee lived together until January, 1894. The had the hardest kind of time finding divorce is asked on the statutory money for mere necessities and had to let everything that had the semblance ground, Annie Rushton being named as of luxury go by the board. The cause corespondent. There is also an allegation in Mrs. Schoefild's libel, filed by of this was that the city assessors Attorney Ballentine, that her husband failed to raise sufficient revenue. Properties of certain descriptions were not assessed at the value they should have been and land was generally assessed too low. By dint of hard scraping, as mentioned before, the estimates com-At Lify Lake Wednesday and at mittee managed to supply the wants of the different departments.

Next year with its increased expenditures it may be utterly impossible even with the greatest economy to make ends meet, with the present valuation as the basis of assessment. To obviate this impending difficulty and for the even more pressing purpose of giving food commissioner, is expected to deliver the principal address. There will the tax payers a more equitable asbe opportunity for general discussion sessment the board of revision and appeals conceived the idea of making a ested, and music and recitations by new general assessment next year inthe young people will be interspersed. stead of waiting for the regular bien-These meetings are under the management of the County Agricultural so-

nial assessment year, which is 1899. The present valuation of this city is a little over \$20,000,000. Thirteen and six-tenths mills is the highest levy the law allows and the extreme rate is now levied. The only way to raise the much needed additional revenue is to increase the valuation. To do this the board

place land and improvements on the

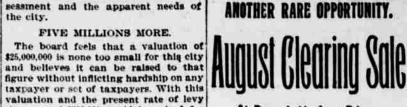
same basis. The law directs that pro

perty shall be assessed at the price it

would bring at a forced sale. In this

city it has been for years and still is

proposes to raise the assessments which are now flagrantly low and to



necessity of discharging much needed

WE WISH TO

Close Out

OUR

Al 1-3 off the Regular Prices.

All our Silver is Quadruple

valuation and the present rate of levy the sum of \$225,000 could be raised for general purposes and the sinking fund which would with the revenues from liquor licenses and other sources give amply sufficient funds for supplying all

It would not then be necessary to close the public library early because of limited fund for lights, the parks the City and Why It Is Considered might commence to assume the appearance of parks, streets could be kept in proper repair, there would be no

At Remarkably Low Prices. LADIES' CAPES.

Ladies' Cloth Capes, formerly \$2.50, Sale Price, 98c. Ladies' Velvet Capes, formerly \$5.00, Sale Price, \$2.59 Ladics' Silk Capes, formerly \$6.00, Sale Price, \$2.98

ANOTHER RARE OPPORTUNITY.

## LADIES' SUITS.

Ladics' Outing Suits, lined with silk, full skirt, formerly \$11.50, Sale Price, \$8.98 Ladics' Blazer Suits, in all wool mixed goods, formerly \$10.00 Sale Price, \$5.98 Ladies' Black All Wool Serge Suits, formerly \$12.00, Sale Price, \$7.00 Fine Milan Braid Sailors, worth \$1.40, Sale Price, 396

LADIES' SHIRT WAISTS.

Which were sold at \$1.19, 98c. and 75c., Sale Price, 39c. Ladies' Fine Dimity Shirt Waists, formerly \$2.50, \$1.75 and \$1.45, Sale Price, \$1.19

## INFANTS' COATS.

Infants' Long and Short Coats, silk and cashmere, formerly \$3.50, Sale Price, \$1.19 Infants' Caps, formerly 35c., Sale Price, 10s

Now is the time to have your furs repaired by the only practi cal furrier in the city. Plate at this Price. You get it as cheap as the single plate goods

**203 SPRUCE STREET.** 

CUT GLASS

231 Penn Ave. Opp. Baptist Church.

Middle of the Block.

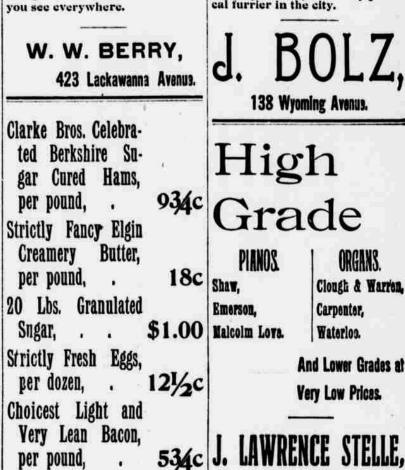
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RUPPRECHT'S CRYSTAL

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WATKINS, LACKAWANNA AVENUE



### Moosic, practical miners and James Young of Dunmore were appointed from the same time and for the same term, Peter Flannelly, of Carbondale; Vaughn Richards, of Priceburg and Martin Miller of Scranton, three miners in active practice and John F. Snyder, of Scranton and Andrew Allen, of named as a board of examiners for the

examination of candidates for the office of mine inspector for the counties of now 28c. Susquehanna, Wayne and Lackawanna. now 40c. These men will serve for one year, the terms to date from January of this year.

DEATH OF MRS. LAURA S. GAY.

now \$1. 5. Passed Suddenly Away at Home of Her Son at Seneca Falls.

dispatch announcing the death of Mrs. Laura S. Gay was received in this that there was nothing to show that Albert S. Gay, of heart failure at the age of 89 years.

Mrs. Gay is survived by her daughters, Mrs. A. E. Hunt, Mrs. Frederick Fuller, Mrs. A. B. Blair, Miss Jessie M.

Gay, and Miss Sophia B. Gay, all of this city; Miss Florence Gay, of Boston and Albert S. Gay of Seneca Falls. well extinguished by the use of a gar-den hose in the hands of some of the The funeral service will be held or Wednesday morning at Seneca Falls, for the occupants of the house, but New York.

TO GET THE NECESSARY.

kitchen where the fire broke out, Another point against them was that Mrs. Thomas was fully dressed even to cape and bonnet when the neighbors

occurred between 3.30 and 4 o'clock in the morning. Mr. Kelly in cross exam-Dunmore, mining engineers, were ination brought out the fact that the Thomases themselves gave the alarm o fire which brought the neighbors to the scene and that when they arrived the

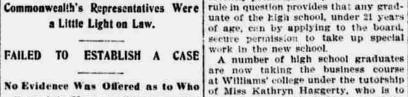
The prosecution failed to show any

motive for the crime, not even intro-ducing evidence to show whether or not The Harvest Home picnics of the farmers of Lackawanna county will be held this week at Lily Lake, near Waverly, on Wednesday and at Madisonville on Thursday. Major Levi Wells, state dairy and

city by her family yesterday morning. the Thomases knew anything of the feed Mrs. Gay died very suddenly at Senaca bags or kindling wood and until they Falls, New York, at the home of her son could be directly connected with then

arrived on the scene at about 4 o'clock and found the flames had been pretty

of the Farmers' Institutes held during the winter season in various parts of whom he accosted said: "Don't take the county. me. I live in the front part of the



event.

### CITY NOTES.

James Flynn began a suit against th United States Casualty company to re-cover \$55 on a policy that he carried with the company.

Spruks Bros, Saturday bought W. W. ng's double house, Washington , through M. H. Holgate's agency; Browning's double consideration, \$5,000.

It was August Diesing, jr., and not Edward Diesing, who was arrested for jumping on a Delaware, Lackawanna and West ern train last Friday.

The regular meeting of the board of managers of the Florence mission will be held at the Home, 167 Spruce street, this morning at 10 o'clock.

The Albright Avenue mission praye meeting will be held at the home of Dan iel Lee, 1416 Cardner avenue, tonight. The leader will be John Larned.

Albert Lipick was received at the county jail last night on a committment from Alderman Millett to await trial on the charge of assaulting one Mike Jurkovitz. There were forty-one deaths during the oast week two being from typhoid and one from diphtheria. One new case of typhoid, one of scarlet fever and one of diphtheria were reported.

A horse owned by P. J. Mahon, of Third street, was badly burned Saturday at the asphalt plant on South Washington ave-nue by a quantity of boiling tar falling on it. The horse is still alive, but it is feared that it will have to be killed.

A slight error of the types in Chief Hickey's new fire alarm manual places box 56 on Brick street instead of Breck street. This and two other small error were made by the printer, but they do not alter the schedule on the targe cards.

George Gebe, vice president of the Time and Weather Fillar company, is in the city. He wants to erect a pole outside of the postal Telegraph office in the Hotel Jermyn from which at precisely noon each day a ball will drop. This will be set in motion from the naval observatory at Washington.

The Christian Endeavor society of the Calvary Reformed church desires to give the Christian Endeavorers of the city and Gibson street.

The Rev. J. M. Markwick, a missionary from China, will give a lecture on "What I Saw and Heard in China," in St. David's Sunday school room on Tuesday evening, Aug. 18. The lecture will be under the direction, and for the benefit of the Wo-men's willd Admission 15 agests has men's guild. Admission 15 cents, Ice cream and cake will be served for the small sum of 10 cents.

Tomorrow morning Ezra Griffin post. Grand Army of the Republic, will run a basket excursion to Honesdale to raise money to replenish the treasury of the widow's and orphans' fund. The ladies of the Honesdale Improvement society will provide chairs and tables for the visit-ors in Riverside park and the post will furnish poffee for an entry of the post will furnish coffee free of charge.

Marriage licenses were granted yester-day by Clerk of the Courts John H. Thomas to Nicola Gioldanc and Giuseppa Clibetri, Avoca; Warren Wheeler and Maggie Decker, Spring Brook, George Forkel, of Scranton, and Annie Bucking-ham, Mayfield; Andro Kiceran and Annie Piskuna, Rendham: Edward Aplanalp and Mary Jane Haddock, Scranton.

The following, which appeared in Sat-mrday's Tribune, was an injustice to John Riley: "John Riley was brought before Alderman Balley yesterday on complaint of his wife for threatening to kick the life out of her. After a hearing of the case Atlantic City, I Riley paid the costs and the complaint was view of the oc withdrawn." The facts are as follows: ,

Firemen Will Run an Fxcarsion to ing Mrs. Thomas and one of her boys Lake Ariel, Labor Day. and when questioned concerning the

kerosene and feed bags could not ac-A meeting of the executive committee I the Lackawanna County Firemen's count for their presence in the kitcher Association was held last night in Chief or tell anything of the origin of the fire. The son said he went to bed at 11 lickey's office and for the purpose of liscussing ways and means for raising o'clock and was awakened by the a fund with which to do campaign work in the fight for the 1897 convetion smoke. There were about a dozen bags scattered about the floor and a quantiof the State Firemen's Association. ty of kindling wood. In the opinion of After several ideas had been discussed the lieutenant there were two separate t was decided to adopt the sggestion of and distinct fires in the kitchen, one in thief Hickey that an excursion be run the center of the floor and another in a to Lake Ariel on Labor Day, Monday, corner.

September 7. TWO MILL-HANDS BURNED.

#### that the feed bags were saturated with Ex-Police Officer Henry Canavan and kerosene and that a cup half filled James McNichols the Victims. with kerosene was found on a table in

Two men were yesterday injured by explosion at he lower steel mill. Henry Canavan, the ex-police officer. was burned about the back and hands

by the bursting of a steam pipe. Jas. kindled, one near the stove and another McNichols, aged 30, a single man livin the center of the room, which latter ing on Hampton street, received burns blaze burned its way to a corner of also on the back and hands by an explosion of gas. oll-soaked path on the floor. Feed bags

Both men were conveyed to the Moses some of them almost totally dstroyed Taylor Hospital, where it was given out were found scattered about the floor that neither was seriously injured. One which had been touched by the fire

## SCRANTON BUSINESS COLLEGE.

#### Special Offer.

John Van Bergen, a neighbor, said he The demand for those who can do was awakened by his daughter, who both book-keeping and stenographic word has been greater than the supply. had heard a cry of fire and that smoke In order to be able to supply this da- was issuing from Thomas' house. He

mand in the future, Buck, Whitmore, hurried out ad saw the Thomas boys & Co., seek to induce many ladies and removing trunks from the side door. He gentlemen to take both courses by offer- | with several other neighbors connected ing, until Sept. 15th, a combined scholar- up a number of pieces of garden hose ship for complete business course, and had the flames extinguished before complete stenographic course and ac- the arrival of the firemen. He sent his cademic course, for the price of one son to box 72 to give the alarm and scholarship, fifty dollars. •• when after a number of minutes had passed and the alarm had not been

#### Cash Values.

The Northern Mutual Life Insurance tem to the next box, No. 73, from when company, of Milwaukee, Wis., will in the alarm was sent in. It was afterwards learned that there was some the future state positively in all annual their friends an opportunity to take cream dividend paying policies, the cash and their friends an opportunity to the creating investment of the president, Rev. W. Stubblebiae, before he leaves for North Carolina and will hold a lawn festival this evening in also give tables of extended insurance thing the matter with box 72, but no evi dence was introduced to show that it had been tampered with.

in case of lapse. timony as to the finding of the oil-The above new feature with the privoaked bags and kindling wood strewn ilege of changing the name of beneon the floor. To a question by Mr. Kelly ficiary if the insured so desires will make the Northwestern's policy the he stated that there was a fire in th kitchen range. most liberal ever issued by any life THOMAS WAS RELUCTANT.

insurance company. The above in relation to loan and Anson Lowry, another neighbor, tespaid-up policies and extended insurtified that the Thomas at first refused ance will also apply to all annual dito go through the house and unboit the kitchen door to permit them to enter

vidend policies now issued after being in force five years from July, 1896. W. J. WELSH, Gen'l. Agt., Mears' Building, Scranton, Pa.

Poor Tax, 1896.

The above mentioned taxes having been placed in my hands for collection, all persons are notified to pay them at once and save costs. Office in the municipal building. WADE M. FINN, Collector.

Two handsome large upright second hand Sohmer planos, a bargain. Were

he would ask the alderman to discharge the accused. The alderman without carefully selected and warranted in good condition. Address, Miss Hardenbergh, 633 Madison avenue. Hotel Warwick.

Ocean end of South Carolina avenue, Atlantic City, N. J. Fine lawn and good Daniel Coleman, Prop.

DAISY STOLE DIAMONDS.

She Was About to Come to This City When Arrested.

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ture. Qne object is to interest the

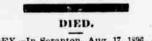
farmers in the rather more solid work

Binghamton, N. Y., Aug. 17 .- Daisy Miller, a fashionably attired young woman of about 25 years, was arrested this afternoon at the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, as she was about to take a train for Scranton, Pa., where she claims she resides. During the morning she visited several jewelry stores in this city and stole diamonds to the amount of several hundred dol-

When searched at police headquarters she had in her possession diamond car rings, a gold brooch, a diamond ring valued at \$150 and a pair of diamond the Liberty Hose company, testified cuff buttons. At one of the stores she visited she was detected in the act of dropping an unset diamond valued a was fully dressed and had on a cape \$195 into her parasol.

rived. Apparently two fires had been Mile, Braun has vacated her rooms over Finley's and will re-open her dressmaking establishment on her return from Paris, about the middle of Septemthe room along what seemed to be an ber, at 510 and 512 Spruce street.

> Special attention and private dining rooms for dinner parties at Lohmann's, Spruce street. Service and cuisine unexcelled in this city.



DALEY.--In Scranton, Aug. 17, 1895, J. H. Daley, of 1992 Pittston avenue. Funeral from the residence Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. Interment at Moscow. GAY .- At Seneca Falls, N. Y., Sunday Aug. 16, 1896, Mrs. Laura S. Gay. Fu-neral service Wednesday, Aug. 19, at Seneca Falls.

M'GURBIN - In Scranton, Monday, Aug. 17, Thomas McGurrin aged I year and s months. Funeral from parents' resi-dence, 217 Irving avenue, Wednesday at 2.30 p. m. Interment in Hyde Park Catholic emetery.

WHITE.-In Scranton, Aug. 16, 1896, Anna White, wife of Patrick White, of 424 Chestnut street, aged 22 years. She is survived by one sister, Mrs. S. W. Sing-er, of Park Place. Funeral notice later.

SIEBECKER &



per pound

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Of the finest quality and richest patterns at little prices. We make it a point to have our customers talk for us and make our business grow little but steady, as we are right in prices, quality and style, acd it will make you happy if you come and buy. The fire in our basement on July 27th, damaged some 800 yards of Straw Matting. They were only slightly damaged by water, and one would scarcely notice the difference. Others, and some of the Carpets stored there, were somewhat smoked and will be sold at less than ONE-HALF their value.

# Think of Mattings at 5c and 10c Per Yard. Think of Carpets at 20c Per Yard.

LARGE SHOW WINDOW.)

To give the public a chance to buy from our entire stock at reduced prices, we have marked down the price on everything. Draperies as well as Carpets.