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PRICE-LIST Cigars By the Box. Morris' Perfecto, 20 in box, \$1.25; Pathfinder, 20 in box, \$1.25; Counselor, 20 in box, \$1.25; Tom Keene, 20 in box, \$1.25; Louis Mann, 20 in box, \$1.25; Morris' Magnet, 20 in box, \$1.25; Storm's Havana, 20 in box, \$1.25; Storm's Capadocia, 20 in box, \$1.25; Storm's Nestors (union made), 20 in box, \$1.25; Storm's Owl Brand, 20 in box, \$1.25; Federation (union made), 20 in box, \$1.25; Cubanos, 20 in box, \$1.25; G. W. Childs, 20 in box, \$1.25; John F. Portno, 20 in box, \$1.25; Lillian Russell, 20 in box, \$1.25.

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CONSERVATORY RECITAL. It Will Be Given Monday Evening in Guernsey Hall. The fifty-seventh public recital of the Conservatory of Music will be given Monday evening next, under the direction of J. Alfred Pennington, with the following pianoforte programme:

Adels Levy—Nimble Fingers, Op. 15, No. 1, Orth Primrose Dance, Op. 15, No. 6, Krogmann. Flossie DeGruchy—Frost King, March, Op. 35, No. 7, Krogmann. Grace Underwood—On the Sea, Barcarolle, Op. 25, No. 3, Duvernoy. Ensemble Class (Four Pianoes)—Scene from the Orient (Arabian Dances), Op. 28, No. 2, Krogmann. Misses Brant, Celia, Cottle, Crossdale, Haas, Levay, Price and Stetler. Miss Louise Stetler—Enfant Cheri, Bohm. Miss Frances Benjamin (Green Ridge)—Schmetterling (Butterfly), Merkel. Miss Genevieve Cottle—Merry Mood, Op. 4, No. 1, Lieber. Miss Hazel Hodges—Water, Op. 30, No. 1, Merkel. Mr. John F. Manley (Pittston)—Sonatina in E flat, Op. 29, Dussek. Allogro. Rondino Allegretto. Miss Lella Parsons—Valse in E flat, Op. 31, Durand. Miss Grace Gerlock—Hark, the Lark (Transcription), Schubert-Liszt. Ensemble Class—Hungarian March (From the Damnation of Faust), Berlioz. Miss Crane, Miss French, Miss Gerlock, Miss Heels, Miss Hirschfeld, Mrs. Price, Miss Voris, Miss Wagenhorst.

In and About The City. Grand Concert. The postponed concert of the Green Ridge Presbyterian choir will be given in the Adams avenue church, New York street on Monday evening, Dec. 22.

Beautiful Needle Work. The ladies of the sewing circle will offer for sale Tuesday in the Adams avenue chapel, New York street, some fancy and useful articles suitable for presents. The sale will begin at 2:30 and continue until 5 p. m., and will begin again at 7 and continue until 9 o'clock. Mrs. Hughes, president.

B. I. A. Election. While the excitement over a presidential election at the boys' industrial application is in proportion to the size of this boy world, quite as great as that of the national elections, there is no stuffing of ballot boxes, bribes or anything of the sort. Every three months a president, vice president and two senators are elected. Last night when ballots were cast for candidates of both Washington and Lincoln parties, the former made a "clean sweep," though the vice president-elect won the election by a majority of only four votes of the whole number of 21 ballots cast.

Liederkrantz Concert. A fine musical treat will be the concert of the Scranton Liederkrantz society next Monday evening in Liederkrantz hall on Lackawanna avenue. Prof. Hemberger will be the director and he will introduce Carl Schlegel, the renowned baritone singer of New York city to a Scranton audience. He will be assisted by Charles Doernum, pianist and the Liederkrantz club society of fifty voices. Prof. Hemberger has been drilling the singers for the past month and will give Scranton a big surprise next Monday evening. After the concert a hop will be given. The concert will start at 8:15 sharp. Tickets can be had from any of the active members of the society.

A Tom Thumb Wedding. Next Thursday evening there will be a Tom Thumb wedding and musical at the Howard Place A. M. E. church, to which the public is cordially invited. The affair is under the management of the A. M. E. church with Mrs. Stule J. Morton as directress. The bride will be attended by a bevy of young ladies of whom are Miss Bertha Smith, Florence Smith, Anna Foster, Ethel Mobley, Eureka Jackson, Amy Dorsey, Marguerite Burgess, Lottie Hall. The groom's attendants will be Master Herbert Edwards, Leon and Gilbert Patterson, Lawrence Burgess, Marshall Thicker, Jr., Henry Colwell, Jr., Curtis Mobley, Glen Crampton. After the ceremony a fine musical programme will be rendered.

NEW OFFICERS CHOSEN. E. N. Truesdale Elected Worshipful Master of Union Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons. The members of Union Lodge, No. 291, Free and Accepted Masons, met last night in Masonic hall and elected the following officers: Worshipful master, E. N. Truesdale.

E. N. TRUESDALE. E. N. Truesdale, senior warden, H. L. Burdick, junior warden, John M. Beaumont, treasurer, E. P. Kingsbury, secretary, Morris Clarke, representative to Grand Lodge, Fred Sykes, trustee, Alex. Dunn, Fred Sykes and John Bechler, the four officers.

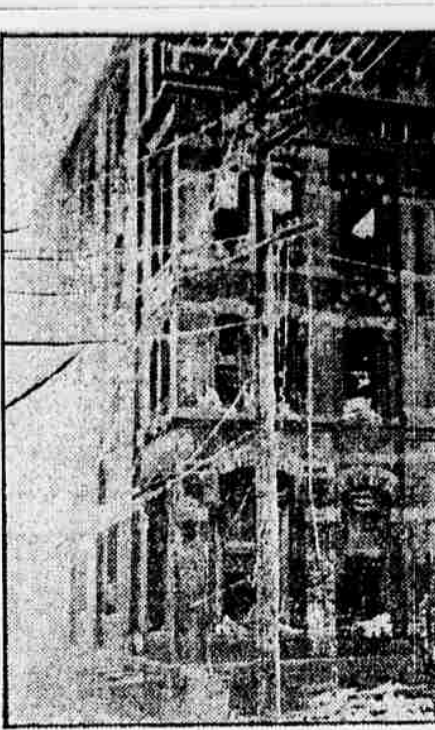
Men's Slippers. 50c. to \$1.00. Mahon's, 328 Lackawanna avenue. Portraiture After Dark. Schriever's night photographs can not be distinguished from his daylight exposures. The new system of artificial light, employed, insured perfect lightings. Sittings made every evening from 7 to 9. No extra charge.

Rubber Boots. For girls, boys, men and women. Prices, from \$1.00 to \$5.00. Mahon's, 328 Lackawanna avenue. Schriever Takes Pictures at Night. The Gold Medal Studio is open every evening from 7 to 9. The new artificial light apparatus makes artistic results certain.

\$2,000 Below Cost. See Hackett's advertisement on page nine of this paper.

BIGGEST FIRE OF THE YEAR. BUILDING OF J. L. CONNELL & CO. DESTROYED.

Immense Wholesale Grocery Warehouse on Franklin Avenue Was Totally Destroyed Yesterday Morning by a Pierce Blaze Which Had Probably Been Burning Long Before the Alarm Was Turned in—Several Firemen Injured and Others Had Narrow Escapes. The immense wholesale grocery warehouse of J. L. Connell and company, at 115 Franklin avenue, one of the largest in the state, was completely destroyed by a fire which broke out early yesterday morning and to extinguish which the entire fire fighting force of the city was called into service. The total damage done is estimated at \$200,000.



J. L. CONNELL & CO.'S BUILDING AFTER THE FIRE

hour at least and perhaps longer before an alarm was turned in. The first one to discover the blaze was Mrs. W. A. Beemer, whose son, O. A. Beemer, conducted a restaurant a few doors away. Mrs. Beemer arises every morning at 2:30 o'clock to make preparations for breakfast and yesterday morning she noticed a peculiar glow in the rear. She at first thought that the moon was exceptionally bright but investigation revealed that the rear wing of the Connell building was blazing fiercely.

In Three Parts. The Connell building is in three separate parts, all connected with one another. Fronting on Franklin avenue is the main building, 58x92 feet in size and four stories high. In the rear of this is the second addition, which is 28x40 feet in size and six stories high. The third part is a two-story wing, 47-25 feet in size, situated in the rear of the Scott building, which adjoins the main Connell building on the north.

A Roaring Mass. In the meantime they were eating their way upwards and by 4:30 o'clock every floor from the front to the rear of the building was a roaring mass of fire. Great tongues of flame burst through the roof and licked the roof of the Scott building. From a spectacular viewpoint the fire was one of the greatest seen in this city for many years.

GRAIN-O THE PURE GRAIN COFFEE. Even children drink Grain-O because they like it and the doctors say it is good for them. Why not? It contains all of the nourishment of the pure grain and none of the poisons of coffee.

BEING A "GOOD FELLOW" is an empty honor, if conferred as a result of spendthrift qualities. The people who call you "a good fellow" now, would forget you if your money gave out. Instead of investing in transient friendships, an interest earning account with the Merchants & Mechanics Bank will provide better future-building possibilities. SPRUCE STREET.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BANQUET. ANNUAL DINNER OF THE NEW ENGLAND SOCIETY.

It Will Be Held in the Board of Trade Rooms Next Friday Night. Attorney C. H. Welles Will Preside and Toasts Will Be Responded to by Dr. M. W. Stryker, Prof. John Tyler and Rev. Joseph H. Odell. Agreeable Change in the Arrangement of Tables. At a special meeting of the New England Society of Northeastern Pennsylvania, held last night in the office of Secretary J. Harry Fisher in the Connell building, final arrangements were completed for the annual banquet to be held next Friday night in the board of trade assembly room.

10,000 Pairs of Slippers. At prices ranging from 35 cents to \$3.00, Mahon's, 328 Lackawanna avenue. The Best Christmas Present. Is a copy of a home paper to the members of the family who have left the home nest. It will be a daily letter from those they love best and will enable them to be fully conversant with all the happenings in the dear old town. The Tribune has more local news than any other Scranton paper and would be appreciated.—Adv.

Boys' Slippers. 40c. to \$2.00. Mahon's, 328 Lackawanna avenue. Mr. J. Stoppard, the enterprising and popular barber, formerly with J. A. Smith, has accepted a first-class position at the Dine Bank Barber shop, where he will be pleased to see his many friends. Five good barbers, no waiting. Gold Fish. And globes for Christmas presents, at Clarke's Bookst., 257 Washington avenue.

D. L. & W. BOARD. The following is the make-up of the D. L. & W. board for today: FRIDAY, DEC. 12. EXTENS EAST—6 p. m., W. A. Bartholomew; 7 p. m., Baxter with Dubrey's; 8 p. m., J. Murray; 9 p. m., L. J. Murray; 10 p. m., J. Gentry; 11 p. m., Thomas; 12 midnight, Fitzpatrick. SUMMIT—5:30 p. m., M. Glaty (east); 6 p. m., J. Murray (west). EXTENS WEST—6 p. m., Stanton; 11 p. m., Lane. SATURDAY, DEC. 13. EXTENS EAST—2 p. m., H. B. 3rd; 3 p. m., Castner; 4 p. m., Kingsbury; 5 p. m., E. McAlister; 6 p. m., Hallett; 7 p. m., Dunn; 8 p. m., McAlister; 9 p. m., Fitzpatrick; 10 p. m., Stevenson; 11 p. m., Stables; 12 p. m., Burkhardt; 3 p. m., Abrams; 4 p. m., McAlister; 5 p. m., Carmody. SUMMIT—6 p. m., Frohnfeiler (east); 7 p. m., Carrig (east); 8 p. m., Nichols (west); 9 p. m., Golden (east); 10 p. m., Thompson (east); 11 p. m., J. Murray (west). PUSHERS—2:30 p. m., C. Bartholomew (west); 7 p. m., Widner (west); 7 p. m., Fitzpatrick (west); 8 p. m., Murphy (east); 9 p. m., W. H. Bartholomew (east). EXTENS WEST—7:30 p. m., Maguire; 7 p. m., Gaffney; 9 p. m., Scott; 11 p. m., Stanton. EXTENS WEST—7:30 p. m., H. B. 3rd; 8 p. m., Stanton; 9 p. m., Ward (east); 10 p. m., Noonan; 11 p. m., John Gahagan (Hallett); 12 p. m., Lane.

IF YOU HAD COMMENCED. A year ago to save something each payday, you would not have missed it, and would now have a snug sum, and interest besides, if you had put it in an interest account with the Third National Bank.

PIANOS. WE ARE READY to show our holiday stock, not only of Pianos but everything musical. A Piano gives an entirely different tone to a home. Better come and see us and talk it over. We will be pleased to show you our beautiful stock of Holiday Pianos and explain our easy payment plan. We make it possible for every home to have a Piano. Store Open Evenings This Month. We offer you a new piano from \$175 up to \$1050, and guarantee every Piano we sell. Pianos selected now will be held for Christmas delivery if desired. Don't put off; come now and look through our store.

N. A. HULBERT, 117 WYOMING AVE. "Ole Santy Claws" Has been all through the new store, and has endorsed our selection of presents most beautiful. "You've shown good sense," said he, and are to be commended for it. Besides I see that your prices are very small, and that the new store has nothing but new things in it. You'll arrive at the same conclusion when you've been through both floors of the most attractive store in the city.

The Handkerchiefs. Shown run from the plain, common sort at 2 for a nickel, up to the daintiest of the real lace kind, so highly prized by ladies of taste. Wonderful values at 12 1/2c, 15c, 17c, 20c, 25c, 30c.

Art Goods and Bric-a-Brac. See these at the Art Department, the Jewelry Counter, and the fine Specials Department on the Second Floor. The assortment is extensive, and there are things shown for all classes, ages and sexes at unusually small prices. To describe such a variety of goods is out of the question. Your eyes will do more in a minute than the best pen could do in a day.

The Men's Furnishings. Are bought by an expert buyer, and there can be no growls or grumbles about not being right or not fitting properly. Guaranteed gloves of kid for walking, driving or evening wear. Golf Gloves, Neckwear of all sorts, Dress and Furry Shirts, New Collars and Cuffs, Silk Mufflers, Suspenders, boxed or otherwise, Garters, Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Sweaters, Fancy and Plain Hosiery, Underwear of all sizes, makes and weights at lower prices than you can get elsewhere, and you can't beat us for quality, fit or excellence of finish.

Ladies' Hosiery and Underwear. Represents one of the most important departments in the new store. Special styles put up expressly for the holiday trade without any extra cost to the buyer re attracting much attention.

Our Famous Jewelry Stock. Is a complete store in itself. No trash in this store, but if you want the newest and best for the least money, you owe it to yourself to call and look over our line—it's great.

McCONNELL & CO. 400-402 Lackawanna Avenue. Fine Values in Holiday Silverware. If you anticipate the giving of a silverware gift you'll visit China Hall before you buy—perfectly proper; it's merely an act of prudence—but we would urge your coming early. Such fine pieces as these do not stay in stock very long, especially at this season of the year; and besides, if you come now we can give you much better service than later.