

FOR CHOPPING FOOD. SARGENT'S GEM FOOD CHOPPER. It saves time, trouble and strength. PRICES: \$1.25 \$1.50 \$2.00. Foote & Shear Co. 119 Washington Ave.

WHY BALLOTS WERE WATERED. EVIDENT THAT IT WAS TO CONCEAL A FRAUD. Six Boxes That Had Their Contents Soaked Gave Howell Abnormally Large Majorities—Two Other Boxes Stored with These Boxes Had Dry Contents—In These Districts the Vote Appears to Have Been About Normal—Possibility That the Dark Scheme May Have Failed.

A CHRISTMAS PRESENT OF A PIANOFORTE SCHOLARSHIP. In the Conservatory would be a present worth having. Full particulars at the Conservatory office. Carter Building, 604 Linden St.

BUILDING TO BE DEFERRED. POOR BOARD AGREES TO REJECT ALL PROPOSALS. Will Wait Until the Spring, When It Is Expected the Price of Building Material Will Have Considerably Declined—Board Contemplated an Expenditure of \$150,000 and the Lowest Bid Was \$175,000—Lowest Bidder, It Is Understood, Is Well Satisfied with the Decision.

The Men's Gifts Store. O'Hara's cigar store, 431 Spruce street displays a most tempting array of gifts for men. There are souvenir boxes of the Havana cigars, meerschaum pipes, briar pipes, cigar cases, ash trays, cigar and cigarette holders, tobacco and cigar jars, Turkish pipes and all sorts of novelties for the den.

BE UP-TO-DATE. By having your horses shod with a good Removable Calk. We have both the NEVERSLIP and WILLIAMS CALKS. Bittenbender & Co. 126-128 Franklin Ave.

Wishing You A Merry Christmas. We suggest that the very best holiday gift is a bank-book with one dollar (\$1.00) or more to the credit of the fortunate person receiving your gift. Every new depositor receives a home savings bank—free of charge. AT THE Dime Bank. Corner of Wyoming Avenue and Spruce Street, SCRANTON, PA.

THE NEWSBOYS' CHRISTMAS. Every Newsboy of Scranton and Northeastern Pennsylvania Will Be Given All The Copies of The Tribune He Can Sell on Christmas Morning Absolutely Free. The Tribune desires to give the newsboys an opportunity to make some extra money on Christmas morning, and with this object in view will furnish them with all the copies of the paper they can sell on that day absolutely without cost.

EMPLOYEES TO BE MADE PARTNERS. John T. Porter, Scranton's Successful Wholesale Merchant to Show Appreciation of Faithful Service. Mr. Porter proposes to retire from active business on the first of the year and turn over his store to his employees.

Building Is Needed. The proposed new building is absolutely needed, the board claims, and whether or not prices of building material go down, it will have to be constructed this year.

As a Xmas Gift..... Nothing is more desirable than an Umbrella. We have just received the most magnificent line of Umbrellas ever received in Scranton. THE SCRANTON UMBRELLA MFG CO. 313 Spruce Street. M. SILVERMAN, Prop.

WHO? WHO? Buy your Shoes, Rubbers and Slippers at NETTLETON'S. He Gives Trading Stamps. 134 Washington Ave. Opposite Connell Building. TRIBUNE WANT ADS. BRING QUICK RETURNS

I. F. Megargel & Co. Bankers and Brokers, Both 'phones. Connell Building.

Register Now For the New Term in The Hardenbergh School of Music and Art. Carter Building.

WHAT WILL YOU GIVE THE BABY? BABY BAZAAR. 118 Washington Avenue.

CIGARS FOR Christmas. FINEST ASSORTMENT, FRESHEST STOCK, LOWEST PRICES EVER OFFERED IN SCRANTON. E. C. Dean, 414 Connell Bldg. OPEN EVENINGS.

Barney Cooney, in whose custody the boxes had been left, declared that the cellar in which they were stored was never flooded. Yesterday the 'squire asserted that after an investigation made yesterday disclosed to him that part of his cellar contained six inches of water.

the ballots were destroyed beyond redemption, it is not impossible they were mistaken, they admit, and that after they are dried they can be separated and made to expose the fraud which the water soaking was intended to cover.

GETTING THEIR PRESENTS. Successful Contestants Reap Reward of Their Labors—All Satisfied. A number of the successful boys and girls called at The Tribune office and secured the Christmas presents they had won in The Tribune's Junior Educational Contest.

A Favorite Store. The store of M. H. Griffin, 318 Lackawanna avenue, is a popular mart, indeed. Young men, old men and the little fellows in knee breeches are being fitted out complete.

HAND & PAYNE. CORNER WASHINGTON AVE & SPRUCE ST.

A Simple Matter. A stock of Men's Fine Furnishings so thoroughly complete and so well displayed as we present it to you, makes 'gift choosing' a simple matter.

THINK OF THE FUTURE NOW. THE PEOPLE'S BANK. will nourish your happy reflections. Dr. Lindabury, Surgeon, diseases of women a specialty, 215 Connell building.

Table with 2 columns: District, Votes. Rows for 1902 and 1900 elections across various districts.

FOLLOW the crowd and you will land at COURSEN'S HEADQUARTERS for everything good to eat. ORDER TODAY. E. G. Coursen, 429 Lackawanna Ave.

PERSONAL. Mrs. Harriet McKeoby is critically ill at her home 1225 Mulberry street. Hon. W. L. Connell and J. S. Ananly left for New York yesterday afternoon.

Kodaks. From 1 to 28 Dollars. Pocket Poco's Calendars Albums. Hornbaker, 211 Washington Ave.

Way's Mufflets, 50c and 75c. Silk Suspenders, plain or fancy colors, gilt buckles, leather ends, in handsome boxes, 50c.

MUFFLERS FOR CHRISTMAS. We bought an entire line of 'Drummers' samples of fine Mufflers at an enormous reduction in price.

Suit Cases Travelling Bags. Bath Robes Gloves Canes. HAND & PAYNE. CORNER WASHINGTON AVE & SPRUCE ST.

Established 1866 F. L. Crane High-Class Furs. It is often a source of great satisfaction to purchasers to be able to make their own selection of skins for garments.

PAINTS AND VARNISHES. Gold Seal Ready-Mixed Paints. Maloney Oil Manufacturing Co., 141 to 149 Meridian Street. Old 'Phone—62-2. New 'Phone—2581.