

THE Smart & Silberberg STORES.

Be Forehanded In GIFT GIVING

Only about two weeks to Christmas! Time to be thinking seriously about that list of things which must soon be ready.

If certain remembrances are to be of your own making, there's no time to lose in getting materials.

If you wish to choose from the largest assortment and would like some of the choicest novelties, look our lines over early, as you know by experience the best things go first.

No need to take such goods home with you till you're ready. Anything bought here for Christmas may be left in our care and will be forwarded by mail, express or special delivery at any time.

Children's Box Handkerchiefs, 11c

Three in a box, mind you, and a very attractive, fancy box, too. The handkerchiefs are neat hemstitched affairs, usually retailed at 5 cents each, but our superior buying facilities enable us to sell the whole box full at 11 cents.

Women's Initial Handkerchiefs.

All grades and prices, but one line in particular is deserving of special mention—a very fine sheer, "cobwebby" linen with a dainty little initial, at \$1.50 for a half dozen.

What Is Better Than a Rug?

Especially if that rug be large carpet size. Your choice here of over 50 Royal Wilton 9x12 Rugs for \$29, a saving of from \$6 to \$11, according to where you would buy. Some stores get as high as \$40 for these same rugs, while \$35 is the usual price.

SMART & SILBERBERG, OIL CITY, PA.

Oil City Trust Company.

President, JOSEPH SEEP. Vice President, GEORGE LEWIS. Treasurer, H. R. MERRITT.

Report to the Commissioner of Banking (Condensed.) At Close of Business Nov. 28, 1905.

Time Loans.....	\$74,682.33	Capital.....	\$300,000.00
Real Estate, Furniture, and Fixtures.....	90,381.52	Surplus and Profits.....	358,419.89
Stocks and Bonds.....	37,100.00	Provident Reserve Fund.....	5,075.60
Overdrafts.....	2,125.60	Reserved for Taxes.....	1,809.12
Demand Loans.....	569,304.96	Deposits.....	1,478,413.44
Due from Banks.....	315,433.14		
Cash on Hand.....	134,750.50		\$2,143,778.05
	\$1,076,588.60		
Trust Funds.....	\$2,143,778.05		
	5,682.10		

WANTED.

Bright, intelligent young men and women to prepare themselves for office positions. MIDWINTER OPENING

JANUARY 8TH, 1906.

We have been unable to supply the demand for our graduates this fall. Send for a copy of our journal.

Meadville Commercial College. THE SCHOOL THAT GETS RESULTS.

To Your Holiday Enjoyment

We would like to make a contribution—true fitting, well fashioned Footwear. If you will grant us the privilege you will find yourself the gainer—in purse, in appearance, and in the assurance of perfect correctness. We have the most complete assortment of House Slippers, Evening Slippers and Pumps.

Joe Levi

Sycamore, Seneca and Centre Streets, OIL CITY, PA

Bishop Brooks' Joke.
Some years ago Bishop Phillips Brooks was recovering from an illness and was denying himself to all visitors when Robert Ingersoll called. The bishop received him at once. "I appreciate this very much," said Mr. Ingersoll, "but why do you see me when you deny yourself to your friends?" "It is this way," said the bishop. "I feel confident of seeing my friends in the next world, but this may be my last chance of seeing you."

In the History Class.
"Who set fire to the temple of Diana at Ephesus?" asked the teacher, looking sharply at the boy.

"I—I don't know, ma'am," answered the frightened urchin. "As true as I'm settin' here, I didn't have nothin' to do with it."

Love's Young Dream.
A Washington youth wrote home after the elopement. "I am married now, and all my troubles are over." Married men, please don't titter.—Chicago Journal.

Couldn't Spend It.
"Say, Bill, once I had more money than I knew what to do with."
"You don't mean it?"
"Sure. I found a quarter in a temperance town."

An Inference.
Clerk—The old man thinks you are pretty. The Typewriter—Really? Has he said so? Clerk—No, but he doesn't criticize your spelling.—New York Press.

Avoid popularity. It has many snarers and no real benefit.—Penn.

MERRY JESTS.

FIGURING ON A WIFE.

The favorite story of Admiral Schley is told thus:

Uncle Joe is an old negro on a farm near Chesapeake City, Md., a farm owned by the family whose slave he was years ago. He is a widower, and lately has spruced up to a degree. Not long since one of the young men of the place started for the city, when he was hailed by uncle Joe.

"Mistah George," he said sheepishly, "you done goin' to town? You might do a favor for me."

"Certainly, uncle," was the response. "What is it?"

"Well, you might—'you might get a marriage license for me."

The white man was amused, but seeing that the old negro was offended, he said: "I'll get the license, sure, uncle, I'll get it," and rode off.

After attending to his own affairs in town he suddenly remembered the marriage license, but was nonplussed, for he had not asked the name of uncle Joe's fiancée. He happened to recollect that he had noticed uncle Joe around the kitchen a good deal of late, and that Amanda, dusky, fat and 40, and the best cook in the county, always had a delectable morsel reserved for the old man; so, of course, it must be Amanda. Armed with the happy credentials Mr. George galloped home and handed the paper to the old man, who took it and looked at it. The license was read to him.

"Mandy Jones!" he cried, when the bride's name was pronounced. "Why, it ain't her—it's Lisa Allen, down by de creek."

Here was dilemma. "Well," said the white man, "there's only one thing to do. You must get another license. It is just \$3 thrown away."

Uncle Joe took the paper, folded it and put it in his pocket.

"I'll done ask 'Mandy to have me," he said. "Foh I don't think dar's \$3 diff'rence 'tween dem ladies."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

In Spite of It.
"Fellow citizens," said the chairman of the meeting, "the gentleman whom I am about to introduce to you needs no introduction at my hands. Wherever the English language is spoken his name is a household word. His eloquence has thrilled vast audiences. His voice has always been lifted in defense of the principles of truth and right. I appreciate it as an honor and a privilege to preside at a meeting where a public man so distinguished is to speak—a meeting of cultivated people, all eager to listen to him and ready to yield to the charm of his matchless oratory."

"Gentlemen, it is my great pleasure to introduce to you this evening the Hon. Hiram Hankins, who will now address you."

Notwithstanding this introduction Mr. Hankins came forward and made a pretty fair speech.—Chicago Tribune.

Acted According.
This story is being told of a certain New York politician. He had succeeded in securing for a friend of his a place as tax assessor at the cost of considerable exertion. Not long after the friend had begun work in his new place the politician was surprised and grieved to see that he was taxed, under "personal property," \$24 as the possessor of one goat. He called on his friend, the assessor, for an explanation, accusing him of ingratitude and forgetfulness of favors received.

"But I couldn't do less than obey the specific details of the law," protested his friend; "look here's what it says," and he read from his papers: "For all property bounding or abutting on the highway, \$12 per front foot."—Harper's Weekly.

TO FIT THE TARGET.
Thompson—"I want a good revolver."
Dealer—"A six-shooter?"
Thompson—"Better make it a nine-shooter. I want it for a cat next door."

Flourishing Business.
A prominent actor tells this story about two brother players and their experiences in a Maine temperance town. Feeling in need of alcoholic refreshment they made application at the local drug store, but were told that stimulants were sold only in cases or snake bite.

The actors had about decided to content themselves with such refreshment as the town provided, when they heard that a certain resident owned a rattlesnake which he kept as a pet. Securing his address, they called on him and offered to hire his snake for use in some scientific experiments.

"Nothing doing," answered the owner, "he's booked solid for four months ahead."—Harper's Weekly.

Saw Double.
Gunner—"I met Bender at the opera the other evening."
Gayer—"Did he take his opera glasses?"
Gunner—"Oh, yes, he went out after such act."

Eczema and all skin diseases, pimples, boils, piles and anything foreign to sound, healthy skin is quickly cured by San-Cura Ointment and San-Cura Soap, 25c each.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher.*

Masculine Theory.
Little grains of powder,
Little jabs of paint,
—His complexion
— "At it ain't."

SPECIAL OFFER.
For a few days The Pittsburg Dispatch will honor this coupon and twenty-five cents in payment for the WEEKLY DISPATCH to January 1st, 1907. The balance of this year and all next year. The regular price of it is 30c per copy. It is a bargain you can't afford to miss. Cut this out now and mail it with 25c to
THE WEEKLY DISPATCH, Pittsburg, Pa. Mention the FOREST REPUBLICAN, Tionesta, Pa.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.
Never fails. Buy it now. It may save life.

BY THE SATISFIED MAN.

It is sad to see the sorrow that so many people borrow
On account of the proportions of their chests—
How they get around and hustle to develop bone and muscle
And subject themselves to awful strains and tests.

There may be no real occasion for the same, but no persuasion
Will induce them any exercise to shirk.
They are so blamed energetic when they try to be athletic.
That they haven't any energy for work.

There are others, slightly meager, who are feverishly eager
To acquire a score of pounds or so of fat,
So they try an oily diet and indulge in rest and quiet
Though they seldom gain a single ounce by that.

While their brothers, stout and placid, try to hunt themselves with acid And starvation, their fine substance to reduce.
But to find they do not lighten and their waistcoats daily tighten,
That their mortifying isn't any use.

I quite fail to comprehend them; nature never could intend them
To be anything but frail or lean or stout,
And to try her plans to alter should make e'en the bravest falter—
She's a lady that it never pays to flout.

I should think I was demented if I could not be contented—
Satisfied with what I measured or I weighed—
Yet my harsh opinions soften, for it isn't very often,
It has happened that a man like me is made.

THE PORCUPINE.
Is His Likng For Salt an Acquired or a Natural Taste?

Some men who were camping in the Adirondacks several years ago on breaking camp in the autumn left an old tub which was saturated with salt brine. On returning to the same camp the next year they found that the tub had been gnawed until little of it was left. They were not long in finding out what animal had done the work, for the camp was overrun with Canadian porcupines. At night they became such a nuisance that the campers were obliged to kill them to protect their property. The handle of a paddle was gnawed half through.

The explanation of their presence in such numbers during that year, when they had not been noticeably abundant in the previous year, is that they had made a rendezvous of the camp, being attracted by the old brine tub. On this they feasted all winter and for that reason were greatly pleased with the locality.

An interesting query is this: Is the liking for salt an acquired or a natural taste? Were they ever able to gratify that taste in any extent before man gave them a chance to do so?—St. Nicholas.

A Tailor's Proclamation.
The art of advertising has reached a high pitch of excellence in these days, but old newspapers and circulars furnish some fetching examples which it would be difficult to improve upon. Fifty years ago a Maidstone (England) tailor made this alluring appeal to the public:

"Neoteric cutting. Coats, trousers and vests, in alamoal style and material, are scientifically constructed and symmetrically adjusted to the anthropological flexibilities, for a thymaturgically minte, prompt, momentary gesticulation." Then follows the address, where your "commandments will be executed with rabidological exactitude and mellifluous courtesy."

WANTED.—To appoint resident agents in Forest County, Pa., to represent our full line of Lightning Rods. For full particulars address Hum & Leatherman, 103 Market St., Pittsburg, Pa.

DR. KENNEDY'S FAVORITE REMEDY
Breaks no Hearts, Excuses no Crimes.

Dr. David Kennedy's FAVORITE REMEDY is not a disguised enemy of the human body; where it cannot help, it does not harm. It is composed of vegetable ingredients and does not heat or inflame the blood but cools and purifies it. In all cases of Kidney troubles, Liver complaints, Constipation of the Bowels, and the delicate derangements which afflict women, the action of Dr. Kennedy's FAVORITE REMEDY is beyond praise. Thousands of grateful people voluntarily testify to this, in letters to Dr. Kennedy; and with a warmth and fullness of words which mere business certificates never possess. It makes no drunkards—excuses no crimes—breaks no hearts. In its coming there is hope, and in its wings there is healing. We challenge a trial and are confident of the result. Your druggist has it, ONE DOLLAR A BOTTLE. Bear in mind the name and address: Dr. David KENNEDY, Rondout, New York.

JAMES HASLET, GENERAL MERCHANTS, Furniture Dealers, —AND— UNDERTAKERS.
TIONESTA, PENN.

COLLEGE, located at PITTSBURG, PA. Come address, and the Examinations. Thousands of grateful people voluntarily testify to this, in letters to Dr. Kennedy; and with a warmth and fullness of words which mere business certificates never possess. It makes no drunkards—excuses no crimes—breaks no hearts. In its coming there is hope, and in its wings there is healing. We challenge a trial and are confident of the result. Your druggist has it, ONE DOLLAR A BOTTLE. Bear in mind the name and address: Dr. David KENNEDY, Rondout, New York.

Easy Lesson in Politics.
"Good evening, Mr. Buttin," said Gladys, rising to greet the caller, "Mr. Honey and I were just discussing politics when you arrived. We have been arguing about the difference between a majority and plurality."

"Well," said Mr. Buttin, with a patronizing glance at Mr. Honey, "it is easily understood. A majority is a preponderance of favor between two parties, while a plurality is an excess over all."

"Ah, yes," sighed Miss Gladys. "It is just like the old saying that 'two is company and three is a crowd,' isn't it?"

And the meaning look that passed between Gladys and Mr. Honey convinced Mr. Buttin that he had been counted out.—Judge

Pardoxical.
"Queer thing about those tall buildings, isn't it?" remarked the cheerful idiot.

"What's queer about them?" asked the typewriter boarder.

"Why, the nearer you get to heaven in one of them the more use you have for a fire-escape," explained the C. I.

Hopeless Case.
Him—"Yes, he's an artist, a musician and a poet."
Her—"Poor fellow! I had no idea poverty had such a hold on him."

Safe, Quick, Reliable Regulator.
Superior to other remedies sold at high prices. Cure guaranteed. Successfully used by over 200,000 women. Price, 25 Cents, drug store or by mail. Testimonials & booklet free. Dr. LaFranco, Philadelphia, Pa.

CHICHESTER'S ENGLISH PENNYROYAL PILLS
Original and Only Genuine. SAFE. Always reliable. Laxative, no drug. CHICHESTER'S ENGLISH is used and sold all over the world. Beware of cheap imitations. Buy of your druggist, or send 4c. to "Heller for Ladies," 100 N. 4th St., Philadelphia, Pa. Sold by all druggists. Chichester Chemical Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

WANO Electric Oil.—Guaranteed for Rheumatism, Sprains, Sore Feet, Pains, &c. At all dealers

PROFITS OF THE DUMP.

Good Money in Many Old Things That Are Thrown Away.
"I get," said a Philadelphia dump boss, "\$4 a week, free rent and the disposal of any dump of value."

"Tin cans, for instance, belong to me if they are dumped here, and I make a pretty penny out of them. They are turned, you know, into tin soldiers and so forth."

"Corks are another requisite of mine. Many and many an old broken bottle on this dump had a good cork in it. I get 8 cents a pound for all the corks I find."

"Old shoes are never too old to be sold. They have always one good piece—the piece over the instep—that can be used again. The smaller pieces of good leather cut out of them are made into purses and wristlets."

"Eggsells also have value. Something like 1,000,000 pounds of eggshell are used every year in the manufacture of kid gloves and print calicoes."

"Do you see those eighteen barrels behind there? Well, each of those barrels contains its own variety of assorted marketable dumpage. Each will sell when filled at a good price. There are, I believe, fifty-seven varieties of marketable dumpage, and some dumps yield all the varieties. Mine yields twenty-seven."—Philadelphia Press.

THE PORCUPINE.
Is His Likng For Salt an Acquired or a Natural Taste?

Some men who were camping in the Adirondacks several years ago on breaking camp in the autumn left an old tub which was saturated with salt brine. On returning to the same camp the next year they found that the tub had been gnawed until little of it was left. They were not long in finding out what animal had done the work, for the camp was overrun with Canadian porcupines. At night they became such a nuisance that the campers were obliged to kill them to protect their property. The handle of a paddle was gnawed half through.

The explanation of their presence in such numbers during that year, when they had not been noticeably abundant in the previous year, is that they had made a rendezvous of the camp, being attracted by the old brine tub. On this they feasted all winter and for that reason were greatly pleased with the locality.

An interesting query is this: Is the liking for salt an acquired or a natural taste? Were they ever able to gratify that taste in any extent before man gave them a chance to do so?—St. Nicholas.

A Tailor's Proclamation.
The art of advertising has reached a high pitch of excellence in these days, but old newspapers and circulars furnish some fetching examples which it would be difficult to improve upon. Fifty years ago a Maidstone (England) tailor made this alluring appeal to the public:

"Neoteric cutting. Coats, trousers and vests, in alamoal style and material, are scientifically constructed and symmetrically adjusted to the anthropological flexibilities, for a thymaturgically minte, prompt, momentary gesticulation." Then follows the address, where your "commandments will be executed with rabidological exactitude and mellifluous courtesy."

WANTED.—To appoint resident agents in Forest County, Pa., to represent our full line of Lightning Rods. For full particulars address Hum & Leatherman, 103 Market St., Pittsburg, Pa.

DR. KENNEDY'S FAVORITE REMEDY
Breaks no Hearts, Excuses no Crimes.

Dr. David Kennedy's FAVORITE REMEDY is not a disguised enemy of the human body; where it cannot help, it does not harm. It is composed of vegetable ingredients and does not heat or inflame the blood but cools and purifies it. In all cases of Kidney troubles, Liver complaints, Constipation of the Bowels, and the delicate derangements which afflict women, the action of Dr. Kennedy's FAVORITE REMEDY is beyond praise. Thousands of grateful people voluntarily testify to this, in letters to Dr. Kennedy; and with a warmth and fullness of words which mere business certificates never possess. It makes no drunkards—excuses no crimes—breaks no hearts. In its coming there is hope, and in its wings there is healing. We challenge a trial and are confident of the result. Your druggist has it, ONE DOLLAR A BOTTLE. Bear in mind the name and address: Dr. David KENNEDY, Rondout, New York.

JAMES HASLET, GENERAL MERCHANTS, Furniture Dealers, —AND— UNDERTAKERS.
TIONESTA, PENN.

COLLEGE, located at PITTSBURG, PA. Come address, and the Examinations. Thousands of grateful people voluntarily testify to this, in letters to Dr. Kennedy; and with a warmth and fullness of words which mere business certificates never possess. It makes no drunkards—excuses no crimes—breaks no hearts. In its coming there is hope, and in its wings there is healing. We challenge a trial and are confident of the result. Your druggist has it, ONE DOLLAR A BOTTLE. Bear in mind the name and address: Dr. David KENNEDY, Rondout, New York.

Easy Lesson in Politics.
"Good evening, Mr. Buttin," said Gladys, rising to greet the caller, "Mr. Honey and I were just discussing politics when you arrived. We have been arguing about the difference between a majority and plurality."

"Well," said Mr. Buttin, with a patronizing glance at Mr. Honey, "it is easily understood. A majority is a preponderance of favor between two parties, while a plurality is an excess over all."

"Ah, yes," sighed Miss Gladys. "It is just like the old saying that 'two is company and three is a crowd,' isn't it?"

And the meaning look that passed between Gladys and Mr. Honey convinced Mr. Buttin that he had been counted out.—Judge

Pardoxical.
"Queer thing about those tall buildings, isn't it?" remarked the cheerful idiot.

"What's queer about them?" asked the typewriter boarder.

"Why, the nearer you get to heaven in one of them the more use you have for a fire-escape," explained the C. I.

Hopeless Case.
Him—"Yes, he's an artist, a musician and a poet."
Her—"Poor fellow! I had no idea poverty had such a hold on him."

Safe, Quick, Reliable Regulator.
Superior to other remedies sold at high prices. Cure guaranteed. Successfully used by over 200,000 women. Price, 25 Cents, drug store or by mail. Testimonials & booklet free. Dr. LaFranco, Philadelphia, Pa.

CHICHESTER'S ENGLISH PENNYROYAL PILLS
Original and Only Genuine. SAFE. Always reliable. Laxative, no drug. CHICHESTER'S ENGLISH is used and sold all over the world. Beware of cheap imitations. Buy of your druggist, or send 4c. to "Heller for Ladies," 100 N. 4th St., Philadelphia, Pa. Sold by all druggists. Chichester Chemical Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

WANO Electric Oil.—Guaranteed for Rheumatism, Sprains, Sore Feet, Pains, &c. At all dealers



A CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

A Ladies' Fine Sheer Linen Handkerchief, with a small neat embroidered crest in one corner, six in a dainty Christmas box, for

90 CENTS

Sent postage paid on receipt of that amount.

Visitors to Oil City should come to this store by all means, and see the most elaborately decorated store in this section, and a display of nearly \$10,000 worth of Christmas merchandise.

WILLIAM B. JAMES, - OIL CITY, PA.

CASTORIA

The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

What is CASTORIA

Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is Pleasant. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. It destroys Worms and allays Feverishness. It cures Diarrhoea and Wind Colic. It relieves Teething Troubles, cures Constipation and Flatulency. It assimilates the Food, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

GENUINE CASTORIA ALWAYS Bears the Signature of
Chas. H. Fletcher

The Kind You Have Always Bought
In Use For Over 30 Years.
THE CENTAUR COMPANY, 37 MURRAY STREET, NEW YORK CITY.

The sanitary way

to live—paint your kitchen, bath-room, living-room, every room with

Lucas Paints

(Tinted Gloss)

Better than paper which holds dust and germs. Bright and glossy. Easy to keep clean.

Lucas Paints are best for in-doors and out-doors. Most economical because they go farther and last longer.

Ask your dealer.
John Lucas & Co Philadelphia

A. C. UREY, LIVERY STABLE.

Feed & Sale STABLE.

Fine Turnouts at All Times at Reasonable Rates.

Rear of Hotel Weaver
TIONESTA, PA.
Telephone No. 20.

THE OLD RELIABLE LIVERY STABLE, —OF— TIONESTA, - PENN. S. S. CANFIELD PROPRIETOR. JOB TEAMING

CANDEE RUBBERS ARE THE BEST

THE NAME "CANDEE"

On the bottom of a rubber boot or shoe insures its quality. They have been the BEST for fifty years, and they are the best today. When you buy rubbers ask for CANDEE and insist upon having them.

For sale by all leading stores. Merchants desiring their names to appear at the bottom of this cut can have it under established rules free of charge on application to us. H. Childs & Co., Sole Distributors, 813 Penn Ave., Pittsburgh.

DR. LA FRANCO'S COMPOUND
Safe, Quick, Reliable Regulator. Superior to other remedies sold at high prices. Cure guaranteed. Successfully used by over 200,000 women. Price, 25 Cents, drug store or by mail. Testimonials & booklet free. Dr. LaFranco, Philadelphia, Pa.