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### A Short Peace.

The action of congress a few days ago to request all of the warring nations of Europe to agree to a 20 day armistice, over Christmas tide, we believe was a good one. Mr. Carnegie, while a philanthropist and an exponent of peace, thinks that war once begun should be pushed to a decisive conclusion.

But the purpose of the movers for the armistice was that perhaps when those in authority would be reflecting without fear for the time being of immediate battle, upon what the season of the year represents, and the fact that this country, the leading nation for what is best, thought about their carnage, that they might be more ready to listen to overtures for a final settlement of their differences, if there be any.

But the reason they are fighting is because they are fighting, and because they have so much with which to fight, and pity it is that those who wanted to fight, only had been drawn into the conflict, and made to go to the van in the battle.

### Clean Newspapers.

It was not gratifying for us to note last week that one of the county newspapers had accepted and is now running specious liquor advertisements, the same as those which were recently sent to The Commercial but they were summarily turned down. These ads which are to boost whisky are in the form of business men's conversations and are filled with the threadbare and ridiculous arguments of "The saloon the first to pay taxes," "depriving men of their personal liberty" the orderly saloon is the poor man's club" etc.

Another county editor recently devoted nearly two columns to exploiting the greatness of his paper in a most arrogant way, declaring what a great factor that publication is in building up the community while in two or three other places in the same issue readers were urged to use the good whiskey advertised. In a recent number the same editor deplored the fact that a friend of his boyhood days, of great promise, had become a drunkard and elsewhere the paper advertised that liquors were a good thing to have in the home.

We are glad that it is the great exception these days for any paper to publish such advertisements, thereby conveying to its readers, especially the boys and girls, that strong drink is all right.

### ROCKWOOD.

Charles E. Cunningham has moved his family and household goods from the Miller Block to the Millhouse property on Broadway.

Mrs. Fannie Moon has returned to her home at Confluence after spending a week with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Wolf, at Rockwood.

Mrs. Sarah Sechler, of Rockwood, has been spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Baker, in Meyersdale.

Albert Young, was recently in Conneville. Mr. Young formerly held a position with the Pennsylvania rail road in Conneville.

Rev. R. D. Kurtz, has moved to Centre Hall, where he has accepted the pastorate of the Lutheran church there.

### Throughout the County.

Thieves entered the home of Milton Walker of Jenner township a few nights ago and took \$40 from a pocket in Mr. Walker's trousers.

The Philson National Bank of Berlin is now located in its new banking house. The equipment is modern in every respect, including the strong box in which the funds are kept.

Somerset is enthusiastic over prospect of its Municipal Christmas tree to be erected on the Public Square, and around which brief services will be held each evening during the holidays.

Postmaster Marshall of Berlin has received notice that the postoffice at Macdonaldton will be discontinued after December 15th, and that mail for that vicinity will be handled through the Berlin office. A. R. Dalm is the Macdonaldton postmaster.

The Brandenburg mine just east of the Rockwood B. & O. depot has resumed partial operation when shipment of coal was made for the first time since last spring. Local managers are weekly expecting orders to operate the workings to maximum capacity.

The Windber Municipal Christmas Tree association, after having collected more than \$200 by soliciting, decided to abandon the project of holding a public celebration this year and the money was turned over to the parent-teacher association to further the plans of that organization.

"Fire Prevention Day" was observed in Somerset Thursday under the supervision of the Somerset Board of Trade. The object is to obtain for Somerset lower fire insurance rates. The School Board took advantage of the day to have the school children impressed with its importance.

Bruce Donaldson, alleged to have been the terror of Normalville, Fayette county, and who is declared to have defied the officers of that community when they sought to arrest him on a charge of having used a knife on Martin Paes in a fight, was arrested by state troopers while visiting a friend near Berlin, a few days ago and has been lodged in the Uniontown jail. It is said that other charges will be preferred against Donaldson, who is regarded as "a bad man."

"Elf" Ling, a well-known resident of the Buckstown neighborhood in Somerset county, who fed a large number of wild turkeys and quail last winter, is preparing to do so again and he has the assurance of a number of his neighbors that they will do likewise. On a recent visit to Johnstown Mr. Ling told Game Protector Kinter B. Rodgers that turkeys of the wild variety are more plentiful than he has known them to be in years and he attributes this condition of affairs to the fact that many of the birds thrived last winter, whereas they would have died had they not been given food and shelter.

Franklin Koontz, alleged defaulting tax collector of Quemahoning township, returned unexpectedly to his home recently after an absence of almost two years. With a capital of \$300, his savings during his absence, he promises to make good the alleged shortage if left unmolested. A wife and four small children greeted Koontz upon his return. It is probable that he will be allowed to make an effort to fulfill his promise, as the amount he is said to have taken already has been made good by his bondsmen. Koontz disappeared February 14, 1913, and an examination of his books showed he was short between \$6,000 and \$8,000, it is said. Koontz says he went direct to North Dakota and secured work on a farm, where he had been since that time.

The Quaker are giving free Shows in Gurley's Picture House all week. Change of program nightly. Bring the ladies.

### SUMMIT TOWNSHIP.

Hiram Saylor is still on the sick list, suffering for over a month with rheumatism.

Mrs. Perry Lindeman is seriously ill at her home in Summit Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Gnagey spent Sunday at the home of Wilson Miller's.

Marshall Lindeman, who spent last summer at Rock Lake, N. Dak., returned home last Friday.

Quinter Gnagey, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Gnagey, and Miss Kate Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Miller, were quietly married on last Sunday by Elder Joel Gnagey, pastor of the Church of the Brethren. The couple are exemplary young people of this township and have the congratulations of many people.

Harvey Weller, who took Horace Greeley's advice more than twenty years ago "to go west and grow up with the country" and now a large land owner, near Rock Lake, N. Dak., is at present visiting friends and relatives in this, his native township.

Miss Edna Baker of Hays Mill, is working for Elias Marteney at present.

George E. Witt bought a property in Summit Mills from Lewis Klotz last week.

The mines are working about three or four days a week.

The Brethren church will hold their Xmas services on next Wednesday evening, Dec. 23.

### GLENCOE.

We are sure bedecked in a whiteness but "Salt Peter" looms aloft as per usual.

Mrs. H. T. Meyers spent the week-end with friends at Hyndman.

Mrs. Calvin Poorbaugh and son Charles returned home Tuesday from a visit with Johnstown friends and kin-folk.

Miss Nelle A. Dom of Meyersdale, spent the week-end with her friend, Marion Leydig.

H. M. Poorbaugh is entirely pleased with the heating job completed in his home last week.

Henry Smith and family of Cumberland, are visiting at H. M. Poorbaugh's.

Idella Meyers, who just finished the millinery season in North Carolina, is wintering with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Meyers.

Dora Raupach is with her grand parents in LaVale.

A former resident of our township, Ephraim Coughenour of Conneville, died Dec. 13th, typhoid being the cause of his death.

An appetizing lot of candy at high and low prices is displayed at Leydig's store. Teachers will be welcomed to look over the stock. Some window decorator is the "lady manager" of this counter.

G. G. Delozier is out and about, feeling pleased with his improved condition. Glad to see him out.

The band really should be commended for getting out to practice under unfavorable conditions. They blow weekly and well. Keep it up and grow stronger boys.

The burglar alarm was given by Mrs. W. A. Raupach on Monday night of last week. The fire ladies were asleep but "young Germany" was soon on the grounds with the artillery. The "man under the bed" failed to materialize—but all the "ladies in waiting" have hopes of future calls.

Charles Hartman was a Berlin shopper last week. He sold a real gobbler at an elevated price.

We are very happy to say that S. W. Poorbaugh is much on the mend.

Mrs. Delozier and her children spent Saturday night at Sand Patch.

Ben Leydig went to Cumberland on Saturday. He became so interested in "dat little German Band" that he didn't see home till Sunday.

Again and yet—persuade yourself and friends to attend the oyster supper in Glencoe Hall on Dec. 19th. Feeds begins at 8 bells.

### NORTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP.

Charles W. Ackerman and Andrew Wakefouse were Sand Patch visitor last Sunday.

J. H. Holland and family were Sunday visitor at I. A. Bittner's.

Simon Ackerman son of C. W. Ackerman is on the sick list at this writing.

Miss Emma Rily who had been working at Garrett returned home last Saturday.

C. W. Ackerman and Andy Wakefouse are busy digging country coal.

The Northampton cornet band are making headway, good for the boys. Subscribe for The Commercial.

Nice large pop corn balls, 10c per dozen, at Habel & Phillips.

Especially low prices for Christmas Treats, at Bittner's Grocery.



Santa Says:

Give Christmas Presents that are Practical

If the problem of what to give to wife, Mother or Sister is puzzling you Now, come to our store and let us help you to choose something practical—something that will please and satisfy her—something that will contribute to the cozy comfort and convenience of her home and lighten the burdens of housework.

Give her a McDougall Kitchen Cabinet or a nice piece of Furniture, a nice Rug to replace the worn-out carpet, or A Sewing Machine, or some Fine Musical Instrument.



Take it upon yourself to be the one to place a superb gift in the home of the one dear to you. Money spent in trifles will never bring the pleasure or satisfaction to a woman who loves her home than a McDougall Kitchen Cabinet or some other useful house furnishing article that is needed in the home, which will last a lifetime and be an enduring monument to the giver's regards, thoughtfulness and good judgment.

Funeral Directors and Embalmers, PROMPT ATTENTION GIVEN TO ALL WORK ENTRUSTED TO OUR CARE, THE MOST SATISFACTORY WORK GUARANTEED AT ALL TIMES. OUR STOCK OF FUNERAL FURNISHINGS IS THE LARGEST IN THE COUNTY.

R. REICH & SON,

Both Telephones: Store, 9 or 21; Residence, 209 or 121, Meyersdale, Pa.



BEAR IN MIND

That you will find the most diversified line of gift goods at

Glessner's Christmas Store.

It is not necessary for you to spend more than you can afford and still make it a merry Christmas for everyone in the family if you make your selections here and now.

STYLISH DAINTY NECKWEAR.

Make Christmas gifts of distinction. Could you think of anything more acceptable; In pretty boxes 25c - 50c.

HANDKERCHIEFS ARE THE THING.

When you see them you'll admit we have the prettiest line at the most popular prices many of which are in boxes at 5c, 10c, 2 for 25c, 25c and 50c.

CHRISTMAS RIBBONS

Nothing will please a girl more than a beautiful supply of ribbons. We have pretty ones three and four inches wide at 10c per yard, and wider ones at 25c per yard.

We Have Christmas Umbrellas at \$1.50 up to \$3.00.

PARTY BOXES AND JEWELRY.

Party boxes are very much in demand; some at 50 cents. Christmas jewelry, such as Cufflinks, rings, tie pins Necklaces, lockets, bracelets, etc. in holly boxes will please the recipient.

This is Our Ideal Holiday Stock Which Includes Something for Everyone

Toys Dolls and Tree Ornaments.

I still have a good supply of gifts for the little folks, but don't delay too long. There are hundreds of toys and games at 10 and 25 cents.

BEAUTIFUL PICTURES, FRAMED, AT 10 AND 20 CENTS.

ALBERT S. GLESSNER

(Successor to Appel & Glessner.)

### CONFLUENCE.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Lutheran church will hold their annual bazaar Saturday, December 21st, in D. H. Pore's storeroom.

Miss Ida McDonald has returned from Lisbon, Ohio, and will spend several weeks here.

Mrs. T. W. Black's many friends will be glad to learn she is recovering from her recent illness.

Lloyd Kurtz was in Grantsville one day last week attending the funeral of an aunt.

Undertaker C. R. Ray of New Centreville is erecting a new residence which he and his family will occupy in the near future. He will also erect a room suitable for his undertaking business adjoining his new residence.

### VIM.

Mrs. Irvin Fike of near Hays Mill, and Mrs. Adam Hawn of near Meyersdale, spent Thursday of last week with their mother, Mrs. Wm. Fike.

Mrs. Wm. Seggie accompanied by Mrs. Geo. Stein of Meyersdale, spent Wednesday and Thursday of last week in Cumberland, Md., with her husband, who is in the Allegheny hospital.

Phoebe Burkholder and daughter, Margaret, and Miss Annie Judy of Garrett, spent several days of last week at Vim.

Henry Suder spent last Sunday at Deal with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Suder.

P. C. Miller spent Monday at Boynton on a business mission.

Wm. Shuck is a severe sufferer with a boil on his neck.

John White, an aged veteran of Salisbury, was a Vim visitor last Sunday.

It is rumored that Mrs. Lawrence Gishert is housed up with lagrippe.

C. W. Tressler with some of his family attended the funeral of his nephew, George Tressler, at White Oak church on Monday.

3 lbs. good Mixed Candy for 35c, at ad Bittner's Grocery.

Try a pound of 35 cent loose coffee, at Bittner's Grocery.

FOLEY KIDNEY PILLS FOR BACKACHE KIDNEYS AND BLADDER

## THIS COUPON

Will entitle the person presenting it at THE HARTLEY CLUTTON STORE, MEYERSDALE, PA. to 100 Votes in Piano Player Contest.

By THE COMMERCIAL.

Void After December 23rd, 1914.

Note—A new or an old subscription to The Commercial paid at this office entitles to 1,000 Votes.