



GREAT BARGAINS In Furniture!

Buy where you can get the best goods for the least money.

:: It Pays to Deal With Us. ::

The people of Salisbury and vicinity have had it demonstrated in the purchases they have made.

- BED ROOM SUITS with bevel plate mirror, in antique or mahogany finish, **\$14.00**
- ENAMELED BEDS, **3.25**
- SPIRAL SPRINGS, **1.25**
- COTTON-TOP MATTRESSES, **2.25**
- SIX-FOOT EXTENSION TABLES, **3.50**
- LARGE ARM ROCKERS, **1.00**
- HIGH-BACKED DINING CHAIRS, **.40**

Johnson & McCulloch,

ELK LICK, PENNA.

Fisher's Book Store,

SOMERSET, PA.

WHOLESLAE AND RETAIL!

This large and pushing establishment sells at wholesale to 90 town and country merchants in this and adjoining counties. Its wholesale trade extends into Maryland and West Virginia. We are at all times prepared to compete in prices with the city markets.

At this season we are specially pushing School Books and School Supplies. Our stock of these goods is large, full and complete, and the prices lowest wholesale.

Special attention is also being given to Base Ball Goods. We are also doing a nice trade in Miscellaneous Books and Baby and Doll Carriages.

Constantly in stock a full line of Staple and Fancy Stationery and Harmonicas. Merchants and others can buy of us to advantage, Tablets, Inks, Pens, Pencils, Envelopes, Bill Books and Legal Cap Papers, Fountain Pens, Blank Books, Judgment Notes, Receipt Books, School Books and Supplies, Miscellaneous Books and such other goods as are usually for sale in an up-to-date Book, News and Stationery Store.

Chas. H. Fisher.

Lowest Prices In Town!

Arbuckle's and Enterprise Coffee, per pound only 10 cents.

- 4 lbs. Best Rice, **25c**
- 10 lbs. Navy Beans, **25c**
- 15 lbs. White Hominy, **25c**
- 7 Cakes Coke Soap, **25c**
- 6 Cakes Waterbury Soap, **25c**
- 5 lbs. Good Raisins, **25c**
- Lancaster Gingham, **5 cents per yard**
- Good Cashmeres from **12 1/2 cents up**
- Very best Cotton Bats, **10c**
- Good Calico, **4 cents per yard**
- Best Calico, **5 cents per yard**
- Good 7-cent Muslin reduced to **5 cents**

Men's Suits from \$4.00 up. Children's Suits from 75 cts. up. Boys' Knee Pants from 25 cts. up. Men's working pants, coats, overalls, etc., at prices away down.

GREAT BARGAINS IN SHOES!

We carry an immense line of SHOES and buy direct from the celebrated manufacturers—Rice & Hutchins, Walker and Douglas—thereby saving fully 25 per cent. of jobbers' prices. We warrant these shoes in every part. We are also agents for the famous Carlisle and Evelt Ladies' Shoes. REMEMBER, THE ABOVE ARE CASH PRICES.

Barchus & Livengood,

Salisbury, Penna.

Grain Flour and Feed!

S. A. Lichliter is doing business at the old stand. With greatly increased stock and facilities for handling goods, we are prepared to meet the wants of our customers in

ALL KINDS OF STAPLE GROCERIES,

Feed, Flour, Corn, Oats, Etc.

In short anything to feed man or beast. Furthermore, we are JOBBERS OF CARBON OIL and can save merchants money on this line, as we buy carload lots. We are also

Headquarters For Maple Sweets.

We pay cash for good Butter and nice, clean Fresh Eggs. Come and see what advantages we offer.

S. A. LICHLITER, Salisbury, Pa.

IN THE KOONTZ BUILDING!

Having some time ago purchased the Koontz property, all those interested in Monumental work will find me in what was once known as

THE KOONTZ MARBLE WORKS.

I am prepared as never before to offer to all those in need of Monumental work, from small Headstones to Granite Monuments.

PRICES HERETOFORE UNHEARD OF.

None but the best of Marble and Granite, and workmanship the finest. I make Granite work a specialty. You will be surprised at my prices. Call and see me.

ALBERT J. HILLEGASS, Berlin, Pa.

REPUBLICAN TICKET.

STATE.

For Governor,
WM. A. STONE,
Of Allegheny County.

For Lieutenant Governor,—
J. P. S. GOBIN,
Of Lebanon County.

For Judge of Superior Court,—
W. W. PORTER,
Of Philadelphia.

WM. D. PORTER,
Of Philadelphia.

For Secretary of Internal Affairs,—
JAMES W. LATTA,
Of Philadelphia.

For Congressmen-at-Large,—
GALUSIA A. GPOW,
Of Susquehanna County.

S. A. DAVENPORT,
Of Erie County.

COUNTY

For State Senator,—
JOHN S. WELLER,
Of Bedford County.

For Congress,—
F. J. KOOSER,
Of Somerset Borough.
(Subject to the Decision of the District Conference.)

For Assembly,—
W. H. KOONTZ,
Of Somerset Borough.

S. A. KENDALL,
Of Meyersdale Borough.

For Associate Judge,—
A. F. DICKEY,
Of Somerset Township.

For District Attorney,—
RUFUS E. MEYERS,
Of Somerset Borough.

For Poor Director,
ADAM S. MILLER,
Of Lincoln Township.

The Political Inquisition.

The modern political machine is an instrument of torture. It is the old medieval Spanish inquisition adapted to politics. From a commercial standpoint it is medieval feudal barbarism. The growth of modern corporations has made the political machine possible. Certain political exigencies confront the corporations in the shape of hostile or favorable legislation. They must have friends where they are quite apt to find enemies—in legislative halls. The machine comes to their rescue, controls the legislature and transforms their otherwise enemies into friends, who respect their wishes and enact laws to their aggrandizement. The machine is most powerful where the corporations and saloons are most powerful, in such states as New York and Pennsylvania. It easily and materially grinds out class legislation; to the enrichment of the few and the impoverishment of the many. This creates a feudalism of wealth in direct contradiction of American institutions. America will soon cease to be the country of the average man, if the machine continues to rule.

In the concluding chapter of Prof. John Fiske's work on the "Discovery of America" he describes the inquisition thus: "It was a machine for the winnowing out and destroying all such individuals as surpassed the average in quickness of wit, earnestness of purpose and strength of character. * * * The more closely the people approached an elevated standard of intelligence and moral courage, the more likely was the machine to reach them. * * * They were strangled and burned by tens of thousands as the inevitable result, and the average character of the Spanish people was lowered. The brightest and boldest were cut off; the dull and weakest were spared until the Spaniard of the eighteenth century was a much less intelligent man than the Spaniard of the sixteenth."

How like the effects of the modern political "machine" that reads! It is made up of men of low cunning, without "earnestness of purpose or strength of character." They are frowning scyophants who lick the feet of a Quay or a Platt, and kiss the Blarney stone of party regularity. They love their party solely and only for what is "in it" for themselves. Such are the men who set up nominations in the state, district and county conventions and who get themselves elected to public place. Men of character and courage could not belong to such a "machine." If they presumed to join it they would immediately lose their character and courage. Indeed the "machine" does not want such men. It suppresses them, strangles them, burns them at the political stake. And so it comes that the average machine-made county, district or state convention is com-

posed of the political kokistocracy—men for the most part without character or influence for good in their respective communities. Any observing person acquainted with the average boss-ruled convention knows that such is the truth.

We have just driven the medieval cruelty and treachery of Spain from the Western hemisphere by force of American arms. It is time we should destroy the political "machine," the representative of the Spanish inquisition in American politics. Pennsylvania is a good place to begin it. Spain, France and Italy are slowly but surely being strangled to death by corrupt politicians and rulers. Witness the barbarities and cruelties of Cuba and the Philippines and the Dreyfus and Panama scandals. Political corruption leads to death everywhere and always. The political "machine" is bringing America to the verge of the same abyss of destruction. Unless we awake and shatter the "machine"—the instrument of torture, the feudal barbarism, the inquisition, the cess-pool, the kokistocracy of American politics—unless we be soon delivered from the body of this death, we shall die!

Awake! My countrymen, awake!
Put on thy strength, the nation shake!
Give now thy time to affairs of state,
E'er thou rudely be wak'd to the rescue
too late.—F. B. Stevenson, in Harrisburg Commonwealth.

GRAND OLD PARTY RACKET.

It Has Been Worked by Politicians to the Point of Exhaustion.

The Republican party has a glorious past. Its record in national administration is one to be proud of. Its general legislation when in control of the State Legislature has been in the main beneficial and wise. It is always possible to make an eloquent and telling speech by merely recalling and dwelling upon that proud record. This is so manifest that candidates for office find it easier and safer to rely upon the merit and records of their party for an election than to dwell upon their own particular merits. The public has too often been satisfied with this sort of claim. But now it is asking for something more. It wants to know especially in our present State election, not simply by what party name the candidate calls himself, but what he will do if elected.

The great majority of the voters of Pennsylvania are Republicans, and they are displeased and discontented with the fact that an incubus in the form of a tyrannical, corrupt and self-seeking machine has fastened upon it in this State, and they want to strike that incubus off. Its centre of power is the Legislature, and of candidates for the Legislature it will be asked, how do you stand in regard to the Quay machine? How did you vote in the last Legislature on the question of paying interest on State money to the State instead of to the politicians? How did you stand on padded pay-rolls, junketing trip expense bills swollen to the proportion of a grand larceny and all the other vicious measures which have been exposed and described so forcibly and frequently by Mr. Wanamaker?

These are the tests to apply to Legislative candidates. Will they serve the people and oppose the purpose of a corrupt machine and the petty swindling and big stealings which its managers promote and protect? It is not enough that the candidates belong to a noble party with a glorious past. Are they themselves noble or ignoble? Will their past record bear examination? Are there any guarantees that their future course will be directed to the promotion of the highest public interest, rather than the private benefit of scheming politicians?

The grand old party racked has been worked to the point of exhaustion. It has served often to confirm the machine in power by diverting attention from present evils to past history. It will not work this time. The people have caught on to the sham and can no longer be deceived by it.

What is Elkin Driving At?

Chairman Elkin would have us believe that the prodigal and reckless expenditures of the money in the state treasury gives the tax-payers no reason to complain, because these taxes are realized from corporations, inheritances, licenses and charters. What difference does it make from what source the money comes? Is it not the people's money, and are not the people robbed thereof when the state treasury is looted?

This is the thinnest plea we have ever seen in defense of treasury raids. Mr. Elkin apparently regards the treasury funds as unclaimed assets, which anyone is free to seize, at least if he hap-

pens to be inside the ring. Outsiders are not supposed to participate. Certainly they are not given the same show. Even if we accept the absurd assumption that taxes levied on corporations, estates, and licenses are not paid by the people, the dullest can comprehend that the more money that is taken wrongfully from the state treasury, the less there is to distribute among the counties for school and other public purposes, and to that extent increases the tax on farm and other real estate.

Does Chairman Elkin hope to make the tax-payers of Pennsylvania believe that robbing the state treasury is not robbing them? Does he expect by this means to make them indifferent to corrupt raids on the state funds? If not, what is the object of the argument that the tax-payers are not concerned with the fate of the money in the state treasury?

Railroads Are Not Enemies.

The following very sensible article, which appeared in the Brandon, (Miss.) News, June 23d, 1898, contains so much good sense that we deem it worthy of reproduction.

The old feeling that "anything you can get out of a railroad company, is so much gain," is dying out and people are learning that the railroads are the best friends any community can have. In years gone by it has been the custom to bring suit against the railroad company on every occasion where a suit would stand, no matter how trivial the amount involved, and it is an old saying that "no jury ever returned a verdict in favor of the company." It is hard to convince the average jury that there is any merit in any defense a corporation may present, and because of this well-known and well-grounded feeling it has been the policy of the railroads to compromise every action possible.

It is not our purpose to take up the cause of the railroads as against the people, only so far as justice and mutual interest goes, but the News believes that the change of sentiment which is rapidly coming, giving the railroads the same consideration and the same chance that is accorded private individuals, will be beneficial to the people and to the country, as well as to the corporations.

No community can thrive without railroad facilities, and the greater these facilities, the better the opportunities for thrift. Every town may be benefitted by cultivating the acquaintance of the railroad people, and getting them interested in local progress. This is not a difficult matter, for the railroad men know that whatever goes to build up the towns on their lines, helps their company also, and in nearly every instance are ready and willing to do more than their share in co-operation with the people. They should be known personally by the business men of the different towns, for a personal acquaintance has much to do with fostering good feeling. The ambition of the towns in the way of public improvements should be made known to them, and in nine cases out of ten the railroads will aid and encourage the people.

In short, the railroads and the communities should get closer together, and work for mutual good, rather than along the old lines of antagonism.

SLOWLY, but surely, the American Indian is adopting the higher civilization of his white brother. It has just been learned that a young brave and a maiden in British Columbia have recently been disemboveled for witchcraft in imitation of the actions of the saints at Salem, Mass., a few generations ago.—Johnstown Tribune.

THE general opening of public schools throughout the country at this season recalls the immense amount of money we annually expend for education. It is well spent, and the system of free education is responsible for no one can tell how much of our greatness. Nobody need be a blockhead unless nature has been unkind in not providing a brain to be educated, or he chooses not to use the opportunities offered. Last year there were enrolled in the schools of the United States 14,465,370 pupils, with an average daily attendance of 9,747,015. There are 240,968 school-houses, 400,325 teachers, the school property is valued at \$455,984,164, and the annual cost of the schools is \$181,453,780, or at the rate of \$18.62 per pupil. On this basis, it appears that, with one-twentieth of the world's population, we have one-third of the world's school children, and expended one-half of the world's outlay for education.—Johnstown Tribune.

DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve
Cures Piles, Scalds, Burns.

DOUBLE MURDER AT GARRETT.

Michael Kearney and John Lenhart Killed by S. P. Meyers.

A horrible double murder was committed at Garrett, this county, between the hours of four and five o'clock, Tuesday evening, when S. P. Meyers shot and killed Michael Kearney and John Lenhart. The story of the crime as reported to the *Star* is about as follows:

Meyers, who did the shooting, had a quarrel with his father about the possession of a house. The father, it is reported, took Michael Kearney and another man with him to make some repairs at the building in dispute, when the son appeared with a shotgun. A quarrel ensued, whereupon the younger Meyers shot Kearney in the back, from which the wounded man died soon after. He then fled to the home of a Mr. Judy, where he boarded, and when Constable Lenhart and his brother John entered the house to arrest him, Meyers fired again, killing the constable's brother outright, the charge having struck Lenhart in the face, lacerating it in a horrible manner. The constable then fled from the house, and as soon as the already enraged citizens learned what had taken place, the house was well guarded to keep the criminal from escaping, though the people feared to enter. However, Sheriff Hartzell was soon on the scene, and near the mid-night hour he entered the house with Soldier Fred Dupont and a man named Sullivan, and with their assistance the desperate man was captured and taken to the Somerset jail.

It is regretted that after Meyers was captured it was hard to keep the outraged citizens from lynching him, and that he was kicked and wounded in the head by a stone or a glance shot from a gun or a pistol.

Kearney, one of the men killed, leaves a wife and three children, while Lenhart, the other victim, leaves a wife and one child. Meyers, who did the shooting, is a single man.

Thus has another horrible crime been added to Somerset county's criminal record, and it is altogether likely that Sheriff Hartzell will have another job of hanging to do before his term of office expires.

WAR IS NOT ENDED.

According to Gen. Wheeler's Way of Thinking.

The Montgomery (Ala.) Advertiser printed the following as a portion of an interview with Gen. Joseph Wheeler, and stated that the General was in the presence of three gentlemen, one of whom is Hon. Samuel Blackwell, when talking to the reporter:

"I do not believe the war is over by any means; neither does President McKinley, who told me personally he had no faith that the Peace Commission would settle the difficulties existing with Spain over the Philippines. The Spanish claim that the battles at Manila were fought after the protocol was signed, and on these grounds will refuse to give up the islands."

Continuing, General Wheeler said: "Spain will want us to give up the Philippines," and laying emphasis here, said, "we will never do that. I am going back to duty and really expect to be called into action again."

The Modern Funeral.

Rev. J. A. Maxwell, formerly pastor of the Baptist church of Connellsville, now pastor of the First Baptist church of McKeesport, has some very sensible ideas on the subject of funerals and he isn't afraid to preach them. In a recent sermon he said:

"The modern funeral is not Christian, Christianity does not make ostentation over a dead body. It does not enshroud death with such gloom. People who can afford it have set such a pace of extravagance in the burial of their dead that it breaks an ordinary man up when he has a loved one dead to conform to funeral customs. It is no good to the dead, but is an immense injury to the living.

The ordinary funeral sermon reflects no great credit to Christianity. Usually it is a desperate effort to erect a post-mortem character upon a frequently shaky ante-mortem foundation. If funeral sermons are preached, let them be preached to the living. If a man has been a good man he does not need an obituary orator. If he has been a bad man he ought not to have one.

The wearing of symbols of mourning is not consonant with the hope of a Christian. A true Christian cannot at any time be in mourning over the providences of God or anything that comes to his life.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers,
The famous little pills.