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## THE EVENING HERALD.

ALL THE NEWS FOR ONE CENT.

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### THE WATER QUESTION.

As the time for the commencement of actual work on the proposed borough water works approaches public interest in the project is being awakened and the taxpayers and property owners are beginning to regard the movement more seriously than they did when it was first inaugurated.

This is a healthy sign. The enterprise has progressed so far now that it can be no longer regarded as a mere game of bluff, or as a child's play. Council and the committee necessarily feel some delicacy in taking the responsibility of so important an undertaking without feeling that they are supported by the sentiment of the taxpayers and property owners of the borough, whom they are supposed to represent.

The awakening of public sentiment, however, so far as we have been able to catch its drift, can scarcely be said to be in favor of hurriedly prosecuting the work and piling up an immense debt regardless of consequences. Serious doubts as to the right of Council to proceed under the authority obtained by the vote cast ten years ago, appear to be now generally entertained, and the more seriously the question is regarded the more doubt there appears to be cast upon the wisdom of the movement as it is now being prosecuted.

It is true that the taxpayers of ten years ago voted in favor of erecting water works at a cost of \$45,000, and vested the authority in Council to issue bonds for that amount, but \$45,000 will not build the works now projected. The lowest estimate, we believe, is double that figure, and conservative outside estimates put it as high as \$135,000, or three times the sum voted for the purpose in 1881.

Without stopping to inquire into

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**Fancy New Crop New Orleans Baking Molasses.**  
**New Corn Meal—Made of all new corn. Kiln-Dried—Fresh Ground.**  
**New Pickles—Natural Color—Crisp and Sour.**  
**New Currants—Cleaned—Ready for Immediate Use.**  
**New California Prunes—Fine Quality.**  
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**New Buckwheat Flour—Very Choice.**  
**New Green Scotch Peas.**  
**New California Strained Honey.**  
**New Raisins, Citron and Lemon Peel.**  
**New Skinned Hams—Fresh Smoked.**

**New Mince Meat—Best Quality.**

### WHAT 25-CENTS WILL BUY AT KEITER'S.

**Two Cans Choice Salmon.**  
**Three Pounds Fancy Rice.**  
**Two Bottles Keitchup—Large Size and Extra Quality.**  
**Four Pounds Good Currants.**  
**Three Pounds Mixed Candies.**  
**Two Pounds Mixed Nuts—New Crop.**  
**Five Pounds Oat Flakes—New Fresh Stock.**

**A Lot of Sheep, Goat and Wolf Skin Mats and Rugs—in White, Black and Colors.**

**Just Received Two Cars Choice No. 1 Timothy Hay, One car fine Middlings, extra quality. Also a lot Strictly Pure Country Lard.**

**FOR SALE TO ARRIVE—One Car Middlings. One Car Fancy Minnesota Flour.**

**DON'T FORGET that Northwestern Daisy Flour Always Gives Satisfaction.**

**AT KEITER'S.**

the status of case, let us ask ourselves the question, has Council the moral right to spend a greater sum on the project than was voted for the purpose when the vote was taken? If the case were one of absolute necessity they might feel warranted in assuming that their action would receive the endorsement of the taxpayers. But no such emergency has arisen, and there seems to be no necessity for proceeding without full authority, or without being certain the very best thing possible is being done.

To us it seems that a different and much more satisfactory conclusion of the difficulty might be reached by the exercise of a little good judgment. The borough does not need two water works. Two plants will not pay, and even the borough would have little use for a plant which, instead of being dividend-earner would be a tax-eater. Hence, if the borough must have a water works, why not open negotiations with the old Water Company and see whether or not their plant cannot be purchased?

If that can be accomplished the borough will be sure of a plant that will pay dividends and that will not be a burden on the taxpayers, and if Council has not the right to proceed under the authority of the vote of 1881, let another vote be taken and the consent of the taxpayers be obtained to proceed in the matter.

In any case, first be sure you are right; then go ahead.

There are citizens in town who want the electric railway, but are not disposed to have the poles placed in front of their places. They do not object to the placing of the poles on the adjoining pavements, however. In this respect they are like the boy who, when asked where he would prefer having a boil, answered "On somebody else." But the boy had to struggle along with the boil on his neck.

One of our Pottsville contemporaries, the *Republican*, is never satisfied with matters in which it is not primarily consulted. Editor Zerby ought to know that this globe we inhabit is large enough for all and while certain men may not be satisfactory to some parties that may be quite so to others. See the point?

## WILL THEY AGREE

A FLAG OF TRUCE FLOATS IN THE BREEZE.

### IMPORTANT WATER MEETING HELD

Representatives of the Old Water Company Make a Proposition to the Joint Committee. To Meet Again.

The flag of truce floats at the trenches of the respective water works. Last night the joint committee of councilmen and citizens met representatives of the old water company in the council chamber and had a talk over the situation.

Messrs. Charles Bowman, Elmer Wasley and T. R. Biddell, Esq., were present in behalf of the water company. Mr. Bowman was the spokesman and made the following proposition to the joint committee: "If the water company will satisfy the judgment recently recovered in the Pottsville court for water supplied the borough for fire purposes, and waive its claim to payment for water supplied the borough for water purposes during the past two years; and if the water company will pay the costs of the recent suit and enter into a written agreement to supply the borough with water for fire purposes for ten years, or longer, will the borough enter into a written agreement to abandon the existing movement to establish public water works?"

The joint committee said the proposition would be taken under advisement and then asked the representatives of the water company to ascertain from the stockholders what they consider a fair price for their plant.

The water company is to meet the joint committee again next Wednesday evening. The proposition of the water company practically means a refunding to the borough of about \$9,000 in water rent, besides relieving the borough of several hundreds of dollars costs, and at least \$6,000 water rent for the future. The cash value of the proposition to the borough, if accepted, will be at least \$10,000.

A HERALD reporter to-day interviewed Mr. Bowman, the water company, but a very small one. My interest is hardly worth mentioning. In appearing before the joint committee last night I acted, as I thought, for the best interests of the people in general. I feel confident that the most sensible and cheapest way for the present agitation to be settled is for the borough and water company to make some amicable arrangement whereby the company shall continue to supply the borough with water, or the borough shall take the plant off the company's hands. This is my honest conviction as a citizen of the town. A citizen said the other day: "Pragmatically the borough invests one hundred thousand dollars in new water works (it will cost that amount, at least) five per cent on the amount would be but \$5,000. Now take the expenses. Two engineers and two firemen would be required for the pumping station, an extra superintendent would be needed, and other help required will make the salaries alone aggregate at least \$5,000. Now the new water company could not expect more than half the customers in the town, and suppose the old company should reduce the water rents (which would be natural) and the borough should compete, then the total revenue of the borough works would hardly meet the expenses."

"To my mind," continued Mr. Bowman, "the argument of the citizen presented some facts for thought. But, again, suppose a capitalist or manufacturer should come into the town and ask 'What is the debt of your borough?' With the existing debt and the one that would be incurred by the establishment of new works, the answer would necessarily be—\$150,000! A borough the size of Shenandoah saddled with such a debt could hardly be expected to favorably impress capitalists who might seek admission. The figures would scare off the most daring capitalists."

"Shenandoah is now being furnished with water as cheap as any place in the state and the borough will not be able to furnish it any cheaper."

"Concerning the increase of debt for borough water works by special election ten years ago, I hardly think a movement now on that basis will hold water. This is not a pun," said Mr. Bowman, with a smile. "Fully one third of the citizens who advocated and voted for the increase have either left the town, or are dead, and I question if an election to again increase the debt would succeed. The new water works cannot be established for \$45,000 and public sentiment of to-day will not sustain an election to increase the borough debt."

"There is still another point to be considered. Suppose the new movement goes ahead, bonds are issued, \$45,000 is expended, and after the fund is exhausted it is discovered that the plant is only half finished. A special election will be necessary to increase the borough debt to a sum covering the cost for completing the work. Now suppose the people vote against an increase? What will become of

the \$45,000 expended? To save anything from the wreck a sale will be necessary. To make a sale a purchaser will be needed. A purchaser would not give more than fifty per cent on the amount invested for a half finished plant and the borough would lose from twenty to twenty-five thousand dollars.

"There are excellent reasons for the sentiment that the borough and water company should make some amicable arrangement."

Mr. P. J. Ferguson was also heard expressing his views on the water question. He also said he believed that the borough and water company should make some arrangement."

**Specimen Cases.**  
S. H. Clifford, New Cassel, Wis., was troubled with Neuralgia and Rheumatism his Stomach was disordered, his Liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was terribly reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Electric cured him.

Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill., had a running sore on his leg of eight years' standing. Used three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and his leg is sound and well. John Specker, Catawba, O., had five large Fever sores on his leg, doctors said he was incurable. One bottle Electric Bitters and one box Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him entirely. Sold by C. H. Hagenbuch, Drugist.

Grand Institute ball at Robbins' opera house, Wednesday evening, December 10 Music by Schoppe's full orchestra. 10-61

**Parisian Foly Company.**  
The manager of the Parisian Foly and Spectacular Company, which is to appear at Ferguson's theatre this evening, says he will fulfill all the promises made in his advertisements. The bill will include a correct representation of Buffalo Bill's presentation to Queen Victoria. Billy Carter, banjoist; C. W. Williams, ventriloquist; avil chorus and tableaux; Smith and Campbell in "Riddle"; Lezzie Hall, protean artist; Harris & Walters, sketch artists; Antonio Von Goffro, elastic marvel; grand burlesque extravaganza, "Bachelors' Isle."

**Bucklen's Arnica Salve.**  
The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no payment required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by C. H. Hagenbuch.

Endorsed by the people as a safe, reliable, harmless and cheap remedy. Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.  
**Christmas Library.**  
*Judge's Library, or Monthly Magazine of Fun*, has also published a Christmas number. It is filled with all those delightful little things which so much please the children and amuse the older people. It is fun from cover to cover. As Christmas is the time of joy, so this number of the library is a fitting close to a successful year. No other paper in the country can make its offer which we do. We advise everyone to finish the year right by sending in their cash subscription to us for *Judge's Library*.

**Coughing Leads to Consumption.**  
Kemp's Balsam will stop the cough at once.

**10 Cents Per Pound.**  
The finest French mixtures, perfectly pure, 10 cents per pound, at Max Reese's. The finest and best chocolate creams, cheaper than elsewhere.

Do you suffer with Consumption, Coughs or Sore Throat? You can be cured if you take Par-Tina Cough and Consumption Cure. 25 and 50 cents. Trial bottles free at Kirin's drug store.

**Profitable Investment.**  
If you want an excellent farm, situated only six miles from Shenandoah, containing 78 acres, with fruit trees and stream of water, call at the HERALD office for further particulars. It is a profitable investment and the terms are reasonable. 11-18-11

Candelabras and candlesticks, and fancy bric-a-brac of all kinds, at Holderman's. 11-28-11

**A Surprise.**  
Keep your eye on this local, Kenney, the photographer, will have his new opening in a few days and will have something interesting that will surprise the people. 11-28-11

"Feebly she laughed in the languid moon, white Poppyro upon her face doth look" and wonders what has swelled it so. While he finds it is neuralgia, however, he does not lose his head, but having twenty-five cents in his inside pocket, invests in a bottle of salvation Oil.

Brumm's holiday stock of watches, jewelry and silverware is now the largest and finest in town. An invitation to inspect our goods is extended to all. 12-7-11

Read Reese's holiday advertisement.

**A Kind Friend.**  
Is what they call that Famous Remedy, Red Flag Oil. It quickly cures Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Cuts, Bruises, Burns, Sores and all pains. It is good for man or beast. 25 cents. At Kirin's drug store.

## HERE IS AN OFFER

A CHANCE TO SECURE WATER BY GRAVITY.

### ABUNDANT SUPPLY AT LOW COST.

One Dam and Piping is all that is Required to Supply This and the Mahanoy Valley. The New Movement.

Having heard that W. D. Seltzer, Esq., had said that he could give the people of Shenandoah all the water they need cheaper than the cost under the old water company and cheaper than the joint committee can furnish it should it perfect its plans, a HERALD reporter sought an interview with the lawyer.

Mr. Seltzer was found in Squire Denig's office, where he has desk room. "Yes," said the gentleman, when the reporter repeated what he had heard, "I did say that and I believe it can be done. There is a stream of water on the Green Mountain. I have an arrangement with the party owning the place by which it can be secured for water purposes. In fact, I own the place and can say authoritatively that it can be secured. The site I speak of is about nine miles from here."

"That is quite a distance when compared to the locations of the old water company's works and the proposed borough work," suggested the reporter.

"True," said Mr. Seltzer, "but the works at my place would require but one good-sized dam and no pumping would be required. With the dam constructed and pipes laid the plant would be complete. The stream is a strong one, so strong that it has washed out boulders weighing from 15 to 20 tons, and it flows on Green Mountain 50 feet above the Catawissa creek. It could be brought here by grade and would give ample supply through twelve-inch pipes for not only this town, but for all the neighboring patches as well."

"Have you ever estimated what the cost would be to bring water here from the place you speak of?" asked the reporter.

"Yes, I have. About four or five years ago I tried to get up a company to bring the water here and also supply houses in the patches, but people complained at that time that money was too scarce and the insurance company was ready to take all the bonds. The same company will take all the bonds of water companies to-day. Well, when that was under way, I sent to New York and secured an estimate from a company as to the cost of piping—spiral pipe they call it, the same kind of pipe that the Union Pacific Railroad Company uses for carrying water long distances. From that estimate and other approximations I was convinced that a company could make a handsome profit by supplying the patches in this section and not touch Shenandoah."

"Well, what do you think it would cost to establish the plant you suggest?"

"That I can't say. I haven't got the figures I had when the other project was on foot."

"Could it be done for \$45,000?"

"No, sir; it could not. And the proposed water works of this joint committee cannot be established with that amount. Why their pumping plant, alone, will run up to that figure. The pumping of water over to this place will be costly. The valley on the other side is considerably lower than this one, and reservoirs will be needed on top of the mountain, or on this side, for storage purposes, as well as on the other side."

"Well, do you think it will cost \$100,000 to bring water from Green Mountain to this place?"

"No; perhaps it would not run that high, but I am positive the water could be brought at less cost than the joint committee can bring water over this mountain, and the plant won't cost as much as the one owned by the old company. As I said before, put a dam in the ravine on Green Mountain, which is about as wide as that in which the old water company's dams are located, then lay your pipes and you have a first class water plant."

"How do you stand on the present water question?"

"I haven't taken any side, because I do not think the project of the joint committee will amount to anything because the project for which the special election was held ten years ago was abandoned and they can't take that up now."

### Now Try This.

It will cost you nothing and will surely do you good, if you have a Cough, Cold, or any trouble with Throat, Chest or Lungs. Dr. King's new Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is guaranteed to give relief, or money will be paid back. Sufferers from La Grippe found it just the thing and under its use had a speedy and perfect recovery. Try a sample bottle at our expense and learn for yourself just how good a thing it is. Trial bottles free at C. H. Hagenbuch's Drug Store. Large size 50c. and \$1.

All kinds of candies, 20 cents per lb., at Duncan & Weidley's. 12-5-11

## PERSONAL.

S. A. Biddell is ill. J. O. Roads, of Pottsville, was in town his week.

School Director William Bushman is on his sick list.

Andrew Morrison spent Tuesday at Nesquehoning.

I. Robbins has opened a cheap meat market in Pottsville.

Martin Burns, of Hazleton, was the guest of M. S. Rigg, yesterday.

Elijah Gregory, one of Girardville's solid citizens, was in town on Wednesday.

Mrs. Mame Carlin, of Pottsville, who was the guest of Mrs. Michael O'Neill, left for her home yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hunter, of Ashland, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hunter, of town, last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Robbins, of town, accompanied by Mr. Robbins' sister, Dr. Nora Robbins, went to Philadelphia on Wednesday.

Squire Charles G. Palmer has been repeatedly mentioned of late as a most eligible candidate for the Legislature from this district. He is practical, has a long head and could be depended upon to look after the workingman's interests without being clammy, if those people would mind him there. The 'quire is an old citizen of the county, a miner himself, and blessed with a good common school education and a fair and convincing talker.—*Miners' Journal*.

## Commendable.

All claims not consistent with the high character of Syrup of Figs are purposely avoided by the Cal. Fig Syrup Company. It acts gently on the kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the system effectually, but it is not a cure-all and makes no pretensions that every bottle will not substantiate.

Attend the institute ball in Robbins' opera house, Wednesday evening, December 16. Schoppe orchestra. 12-10-61

## A National Family Paper.

The announcement of *The Youth's Companion* for 1892, which we have received, seem to touch about all healthy tastes. Its fiction embraces folklore, serial, sea adventure and holiday stories. Frank Russell, Will Allen Droumgoole, Mary Catherine Lee are a few of the distinguished story-writers.

In general articles cover a wide range. Self Education, Business Success, College Success, Girls Who Think They Can Write Natural History, Railway Life, Boys and Girls at the World's Fair, Glimpses of Royalty, How to See Great Cities, Practical Advice are some of the lines to be written on by eminent specialists.

Gladstone, De Lesseps, Vesali Vareschagin, Cyrus W. Field, Andrew Carnegie, Mrs. Henry M. Stanley are among the contributors. The *Companion* readers thus come into personal touch with the people whose greatness make our age famous. Its 500,000 subscribers show how it is appreciated.

Whoever subscribes now for 1892 gets it free from the time a subscription is received till Jan. 1, 1892 \$1.75 a year. Address, *The Youth's Companion*, Boston, Mass.

Handsome stock of lamps with the most delicately hand-painted bisque and china shades, at Holderman's. 11-28-11

It is a well known fact that Par-Tina Cough and Consumption Cure has cured Consumption, Coughs and Colds when all else failed. 25 and 50 cents. Trial bottles free at Kirin's drug store.

**Clean Up for Institute.**  
Supervisor Llewellyn announces that he will make trips about town to-morrow with men and carts to gather sweepings from the streets, so as to have them clean for Monday, when the teachers' institute opens.

Holiday goods, cheap. Read Reese's advertisement.

**I. O. O. F. Meeting.**  
The members of John W. Stokes Lodge, No. 515, I. O. O. F., are requested to attend its next meeting Friday evening, Dec. 11, 1891. Business of importance will be transacted.

Attest: J. S. WILLIAMS, Sec'y. 12-10-21

Four linotypes for 25 cents, at Dabb's. 11-28-11

Large stock of fancy goods, such as lamps, bronzes, china ware and imported cut glassware, at Holderman's. 11-28-11

## Mince!

3 pounds for a quarter, None cheaper.  
2 pounds for a quarter, None better.

## Motts' Cider!

8 cents a quart. 25c per gallon. Sweet and not intoxicating.

**GRAF'S,**  
No. 122 North Jardin Street.