

AT MEAL-TIMES

Do you ever consider the quality of the food you are eating? It may be good, it might be better, purer, fresher and more wholesome. Is it not worth while to make sure that your Tea, Coffee, Sugar, Butter, Eggs, Spices and innumerable other groceries are of the best quality? There is such a striking difference in the prices of the best and the worst that it certainly does not pay to buy the worst, even on the false ground of supposed economy.

The best is always the cheapest, because the most satisfactory and durable, and the very best of everything in the grocery line is kept at

SEVERN'S
Cor. Centre and White Sts.,
SHENANDOAH, PA.

THIRD EDITION

Points.
Oysters are improving in quality as the season advances.

This is the time of the year to take exercise in the open air.

This year oysters are in an unusually plump and luscious condition.

The leaves of the forest trees will soon be taking on their autumnal tints.

Typhoid fever is epidemic in Northumberland and Luzerne counties.

Postmaster Graeber has been authorized by the department at Washington to change the quarters of the Ashland post office to Washington Hill.

Hereafter the Judges of Elections will have to call at the County Commissioners' office on the day before elections to receive and receipt for ballots of their respective districts.

29 prize medals have been awarded to the manufacturers of the only genuine imported Anchor Pain Expeller, the great German remedy for all Rheumatic diseases, Gout, Neuralgia, Sprains, &c. 25 and 50 cents a bottle, at C. H. Hayden, P. P. D. Kirlin, J. M. Hillis, and other druggists.

Hance Not Felt the Pinch.
In conversation with an *Inquirer* reporter the other day, T. J. Foster, of the *Scranton Colliery Engineer*, gave it as his opinion that the anthracite coal miners have felt the hard times less than any other class of wage earners.

Mr. Foster declared that fully as much anthracite is being mined this year as in the few preceding years, and the miners and laborers have not felt the pinch. He accounts for this by the growing domestic consumption of anthracite and the necessity of mining in order to keep up the great stocks which the coal companies store for use in emergency. Improvements around the works have been greatly curtailed in order to reduce operating expenses, and this has greatly affected the great machine shops and kindred industries. Mr. Foster apprehends no want of employment for coal workers this fall, and wages remain at the same rate as last year.—*Wilkes-Barre Record*.

USE DANA'S SARSAPARILLA, ITS "THE KIND THAT CURES!"

Best work done at Brennan's steam laundry. Everything white and spotless. Lace curtains a specialty. All work guaranteed.

Stole Shoes.
Thomas McHale was arrested this afternoon and committed to default of \$500 bail by Justice Williams for stealing a pair of shoes from Samuel Block's store on South Main street.

Have you tried McElheney's fried oysters?
9-12-14

Here's a Bargain.
Do you want a bicycle? We have a few high grade \$140 pneumatic with Morgan and Wright tires left. Will close them out for \$95 each.
McCONNELL & Bro.,
Ashland, Pa.
10-2-14

Fried oysters a specialty at McElheney's.
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After the Ball.
The base ball players are singing a new song. Ask some of them to sing it. It embraces a tale about "After the Ball is Over" and one of the verses runs something like this:

We sold four boxes of temperance,
And three good legs of beer;
Two boxes of fine cigars, and yet
'Steem dollars is all we have here.

The proprietors of Pau-Tina have spent thousands of dollars to make it known that it cures Coughs, Colds and La Grippe. Trial bottles of Pau-Tina free at P. P. D. Kirlin's drug store.

Maley.
MALEY.—On the 5th inst., at Shenandoah, Margaret, wife of William Maley, aged 53 years. Funeral will take place on Saturday, 7th inst., at 9:30 a. m., from the family residence, 116 West Oak street. High mass at the Annunciation church. Interment in the Annunciation cemetery. Friends and relatives respectfully invited to attend.

Thousands walk the earth to day who would be sleeping in its bosom but for the timely use of Down's Elixir. 1m

Yate Defeats Brown.
NEW HAVEN, Oct. 5.—Yate opened the football season here by defeating the strong Brown team in a well played game.

The Weather.
Fair, slightly warmer; northerly winds, becoming variable.

Buy *Keystone* flour. Be sure that the name *LEASIG & BAKER*, Ashland, Pa., is printed on every sack. 3-3-14aw.

Coming Events.
Oct. 13.—Third annual ball, under the auspices of Boston Bus Pipe and Drum Corps, in Foley's hall, Gilberton.

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WITRO ANSWER.
For sixty days Keagey, the photographer will give a 10x12 platinum picture with every dozen of his \$3 cabinets.

SIGNS OF A SEVERE WINTER.

A Weather Sage Meets Never Falling In-dications Everywhere.

"There'll be plenty of good sleddin' this comin' winter," remarked a Catawissa Valley farmer yesterday to Colonel M. P. Fowler, as he cast his meteorological eye skyward and watched the fleecy, white clouds scudding along. This farmer, it ought to be stated, is an old inhabitant and so far as weather goes, knows as much about it as any other man. "Yes, sir," he continued, "it'll be a hard winter an' the snow'll be deep. I've kept account of them white clouds flyin' all summer an' this makes 37 days they flew. That means that it'll snow 37 days this winter an' generally heavy snow, too, for the clouds were heavy. Never knowed it to fall 'cept possibly the winter of '43, but I didn't never count much on that. You see I had 28 days down that year an' it snowed 29. I allus thought that I made a mistake in countin' an' I hev been keefuller since then.

"But I tell you there's no mistake this time. Why, sir, the moles in my meadow are buryin' deeper this year than ever, 'cept possibly the fall of '52, and I guess you rickollock the heavy snow we had then. That was a winter for snow! Jiminy, but she did come down! I mind it well, for they fall we butchered our big hog. Weighed 423 pounds. Fact. Speakin' of hogs jist brings it to my mind that we butchered one afore I left. Well, sir, you may'n believe it, but I'll swan if its meat wasn't growed tighter than the dickens and was the whitest I've ever seed. Fact. You know what that means, Crickets'll be froz-d shot, and we'll hev the longest cold spell we've had since '50, shouldn't be sprised if it'll last longer, but that was a cold snap.

"See that haw's fustock? Look at that bunch of hair growin' there. Never see it so long an' thick 'less it's goin' to be a long and hard winter, do you? No, siren, no anyone else, either. Never knowed that sign to fall, 'cept possibly in '39, but you could hardly count that, for it was purty sharp all that winter, you rickollock. I noticed, too, that the cattle's hair is growin' longer this year. That's a sure sign, an' now that I happen to think over it, we remarked at the time in '39 that it was uncommonly strange that the fetlocks of the horses should be so long an' thick an' the cattle's hair just ordinary like. Now you take the squirrels for instance, an' I'll say right here an' I don't keer who knows it, that you can place more dependence on a squirrel than you kin on an infernal groun' hog, for there is sometimes when the groun' hog fails; but as for the squirrels I kin say that I never knowed of 'em to miss hittin' it. Darned if the squirrels isn't layin' in the biggest stock of nuts I ever hearn tell on an' they started in early, too. Now if that don't mean that this here's goin' to be the longest and severest winter we've almost ever had what in the name of common sense and reason does it mean?

"Jist look at the corn husks on't. They're thicker than you've ever seed them, an' you mightn't want'er b'leve me, but the Injuns have three outside peels on 'em. Look out for this winter, I tell you. It'll be a nipplin' one. Them thick corn husks an' three injun peels isn't there for nothin'. An' then there's the spruce trees. There's more moss on the bark than I've ever sawn, an' the bark on the hick'ry saplins is thicker than its been since '44, an' you know what that winter was. Besides the ginseng roots is growin' deeper than for a long time an' you've got ter dig for your easyrack this year. That long dry spell meant somethin', an' as soon as I seed frost in August I begun to figger on my woodpile. I hev't looked at the goose bone yet, but I'm told it has all signs of a hard winter an' it's not surprisin', either, for dang my buttons if I ever seed so many pin-ferthers on chickens afore in my life, not leavin' out the fall of '27, an' you know what a hard winter that was.

"Well, I must be goin'." Hey I the roomatiz? No, isn't roomatiz. Like a blained fool I cut my corn in the full of the moon 'bout ever thinkin' what I was doin'. I rubbed it with a half of a pertator couple days ago an' I've got to wait now till there's enough rain drips off the house to rot the pertator. If this dry weather keeps up I'll be lame, but I think I'll take a few slices of the corn as soon as the moon gets well in the last quarter. Shouldn't wonder if it 'ud rain to-morrow.

"Noticed last night that the horns of the moon was pointin' down. If they're that way to night it'll rain sure. Never knowed it to fall 'cept once in the spring of '34, an' it was jist as well it didn't rain that day, 'cause I rickollock I had to walk seven miles to the nearest widow woman's to borrow a piece of bread, 'cause our brindle cow had lost her cud. Yes, sir, you can depend on it, all signs are for a hard winter."

The Genuine and the Sham.
Every good thing has its host of imitators; every genuine article its counterfeit. The imitators always choose the most valuable and popular article to counterfeit, so that when they claim their sham to be equal, or as good, or the same as "So-and-So's," the public may depend upon it that "So-and-So's" article is the best of the kind. The sham pretends the genuine merit of the thing it copies and never has this been better illustrated than by the imitations of Alcock's Porous Plasters. Alcock's Porous Plasters are the standard of excellence the world over, and its imitators in their cry that theirs is "as good as Alcock's" are only emphasizing this fact and admitting "Alcock's" to be the acme of perfection, which it is their highest ambition to imitate. The difference between the genuine and these imitations, which copy only general appearance, is as wide as that between copper and gold. The only safe way for purchasers is to always insist upon having Alcock's Porous Plasters. They are the only perfect plasters ever produced.

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9-12-14

THE GREAT AMERICAN CLOTHING STORE.
31 N. Main street, has just received one of the largest stocks of clothing ever brought to Shenandoah. The finest selection of chevots and Irish Frieze in the county. Come and examine goods before going elsewhere. 25-04

Lane's Family Medicine Moves the Howls Each day. Most people need to use it.

Political Points.

The county campaign is on. Saturday will be the last day to pay taxes, if you want to vote this year.

Populists now say Senator Sherman is the attorney for the Bank of England.

Before the election it was the McKinley bill that was ruining the country. Now it is the Sherman law. We have a nice set of doctors at Washington. They don't know yet what is the matter with the patient, but they are going to bleed him, anyway, and risk it.

Just what Congress is going to do is very uncertain. It may adjourn and go fishing. It may stand and indulge in more speech making. It may raise the tariff or it may lower it a little. No one cares to hazard their reputation by venturing to predict what it will do.

It is reported that August Belmont, Henry Clews and other bankers say there was no cause for the panic—that it was purely sentimental. Certainly, all you have to do is to imagine you're rich and you are rich. Confidence, gentlemen, confidence is what is needed, confidence in the banks.

Says Almy W. Inghent.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Oct. 5.—Dr. Mary Walker arrived here from Boston yesterday and caused the arrest of Arthur D. Snood of this city, whom she says is the murderer of Christie Warden, at Haverhill, N. H., in July, 1891. She alleges that the wrong man was hanged for the crime. She further alleges that Snood is also Harry L. Norcross, whom it was thought threw the bomb at Russell Sage. It was a companion of Snood's at Norcross, who was killed at that time. Snood has been held to await investigation. Dr. Walker told a plausible story at the police station and Snood could not give a satisfactory account of himself.

Judge Long Will Fight for His Pension.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—An application was made to Judge Bradley, of the district supreme court, for a writ of mandamus to compel the commissioner of pensions to continue on the pension rolls the name of Judge Charles D. Long, of Michigan. The payment of Judge Long's pension was suspended some time ago, and at the time was the subject of much newspaper comment. The question at issue will be argued by counsel on the 16th inst.

Probable Fatal Fend Near Scranton.

SCRANTON, Pa., Oct. 5.—As a result of a family feud of five years standing Michael Costello and John McDermott, of Greenwood, last night engaged in a furious fight. Costello rained a shower of stones on McDermott and his two children, and the latter fired both barrels of his shotgun into Costello's legs, maddling them so badly that he will probably die.

Killed While Crossing the Track.

WASHINGTON, Pa., Oct. 5.—Thomas and John Ackleson, well to do farmers, were driving across the tracks of the Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis railway near Bulger Station, when they were run down by an express train. John Ackleson was instantly killed and his brother Thomas seriously injured. Both horses were killed and the wagon demolished.

New York Crickets' Poor Showing.

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—The eighteen New York crickets made a very poor showing against the Australian thirteen yesterday. At the end of the New Yorks' first inning they had scored but 101. The Australians then went to bat and scored 33, with only two men out. Play was resumed at 10 o'clock this morning, and the visitors are still piling up runs.

Narberth to Become a Borough.

NORRISTOWN, Pa., Oct. 5.—The grand jury of the Gettysburg quarter sessions has acted favorably upon the petition of freeholders of the village of Narberth, in Lower Merion township, praying the court to grant them articles of incorporation as a borough, and the application will be granted.

Five Prisoners Break Jail.

LIMA, O., Oct. 5.—At an early hour in morning the prisoners in the Wood county jail, at Bowling Green, made their escape. There were five prisoners—one murderer, three desperate crooks and one thief. No trace of them can be found.

No Case Against Ex-Cashier Work.

BOSTON, Oct. 5.—United States District Attorney Hoar has nolle prossed both of the indictments which were found against Mr. Joseph W. Work, formerly cashier of the Maverick National bank.

USE DANA'S SARSAPARILLA, ITS "THE KIND THAT CURES."

Millinery!

Just opened in the Egan Building, No. 8 East Centre street, a full line of Fall and Winter Millinery.

Miss Annie Morrison,
SHENANDOAH, PA.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE MERCHANTS' NATIONAL BANK

at Shenandoah, in the State of Pennsylvania, at the close of business, October 3, 1893.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$157,075 30
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	96,000 00
Stocks, securities, etc.	5,000 00
Due from approved reserve agents	67,184 40
Due from other National banks	1,227 30
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	2,520 72
Current expenses and taxes paid	565 96
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	4,500 00
Checks and other cash items	1,058 31
Bills of other banks	2,700 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	303 53
Specie	20,755 50
Legal-tender notes	12,423 00
Reserve fund	17,500 00
er, (5 per cent. of circulation)	3,250 00
Total	\$310,708 56
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid up	\$100,000 00
Surplus fund	10,000 00
Undivided profits	5,000 19
National Bank notes outstanding	4,000 00
Individual deposits subject to check	1,235 22
Deposits of certificates of deposit	1,170 00
Due to other National Banks	1,991 19
Due to State Banks and bankers	515 30
Total	\$310,708 56

State of PENNSYLVANIA, COUNTY of Shenandoah, ss: I, E. B. Hunter, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. B. HUNTER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of October, 1893.

MARTIN N. BRADGAN, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest: P. J. GAGHAN, G. W. BRADGAN, T. F. BRADGAN, } Directors.

MISCELLANEOUS.

FOR SALE—Nine shares Schuykill Tractition stock. Apply at this office, 9-8-14

FOR SALE—A National typewriter in perfect condition. Will be sold cheap for cash. Apply at this office. 9-11-14.

AMUSEMENTS.

FERGUSON'S THEATRE.
P. J. FERGUSON, MANAGER.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6th, 1893.

The hit of the Season.
The third annual tour of

Fitz and Webster

A Breezy Time.

A roaring, rollicking musical farce comedy. E. B. Fitz and Kathryn Webster, the popular musical artists, supported by an excellent company.

EVERYTHING NEW.
New songs, new dances, new music, new company, new specialities, new costumes. A bevy of pretty girls, the tennis quartette, the rondo (in octette). The latest, the new Turkish bell savotte, and a cyclone of fun and music.

Prices, 25, 50 and 75 Cents.
Reserved seats at Kirlin's drug store.

POLITICAL.

VOTE FOR

JOHN P. MARTIN

FOR

COMMISSIONER

VOTE FOR

BENJ. R. SEVERN

FOR

CONTROLLER.

VOTE FOR

GEORGE FOLMER

Of Shenandoah,

FOR

TREASURER.

VOTE FOR

C. F. ALLEN

FOR

COMMISSIONER

VOTE FOR

C. C. MATTEN

FOR

REGISTER.

VOTE FOR

Dr. Daniel Dechert

FOR

County Treasurer

Elegance

in

Stationery.

You are careful about your writing paper, of course—nothing shows good breeding more clearly than a correct correspondence.

Let your bills come to the butcher, the baker, the candlestick maker, do not need to be so much like quill-pen as your epistles to friends. You can save money there by using our cheap grades of paper and envelopes.

The best is not the next best. Both correct in every way.

HOOKS & BROWN,

No. 4 North Main Street, Shenandoah, Pa.

The Grand Fall Opening!

Millinery, Coats, Capes, Dry Goods

DIVES, POMEROY AND STEWART,

POTTSVILLE, PA.,

Special attractions on

Thursday, Friday and Saturday

OCTOBER 5th, 6th and 7th.

We have spared no pains to make our store an object lesson throughout. Every department has been renewed and we are able to put forth the very best goods for the inspection and consideration of those who are seeking good goods at hard-times prices. We make our patrons a study and think we have not failed in our efforts to suit all in quality and price.

Our First Fall Opening in Millinery!

Promises a rare treat, not only in the fine French hats, but hats of our own American talents. Our trimmer having been to Europe, is now able to combine the European styles with the American and design some most beautiful effects, which are well worth your inspection. Our trimmed felt hats, all new and latest styles, (no old goods carried over) will range in price from 40c to \$1.49. Among them are the Colonial, Harcourt, Florizee, Picolo, Francaise, and so many others space will not permit mention thereof. Our trimmed hats of every description for the aged as well as the young ladies will be put forward at the following prices: \$1.45, \$1.95, \$2.45, \$2.95, \$3.95, \$5.95, \$7.95, \$9.95, \$11.95, \$13.95, \$15.95, \$17.95, \$19.95, \$21.95, \$23.95, \$25.95, \$27.95, \$29.95, \$31.95, \$33.95, \$35.95, \$37.95, \$39.95, \$41.95, \$43.95, \$45.95, \$47.95, \$49.95, \$51.95, \$53.95, \$55.95, \$57.95, \$59.95, \$61.95, \$63.95, \$65.95, \$67.95, \$69.95, \$71.95, \$73.95, \$75.95, \$77.95, \$79.95, \$81.95, \$83.95, \$85.95, \$87.95, \$89.95, \$91.95, \$93.95, \$95.95, \$97.95, \$99.95, \$101.95, \$103.95, \$105.95, \$107.95, \$109.95, \$111.95, \$113.95, \$115.95, \$117.95, \$119.95, \$121.95, \$123.95, \$125.95, \$127.95, \$129.95, \$131.95, \$133.95, \$135.95, \$137.95, \$139.95, \$141.95, \$143.95, \$145.95, \$147.95, \$149.95, \$151.95, \$153.95, \$155.95, \$157.95, \$159.95, \$161.95, \$163.95, \$165.95, \$167.95, \$169.95, \$171.95, \$173.95, \$175.95, \$177.95, \$179.95, \$181.95, \$183.95, \$185.95, \$187.95, \$189.95, \$191.95, \$193.95, \$195.95, \$197.95, \$199.95, \$201.95, \$203.95, \$205.95, \$207.95, \$209.95, \$211.95, \$213.95, \$215.95, \$217.95, \$219.95, \$221.95, \$223.95, \$225.95, \$227.95, \$229.95, \$231.95, \$233.95, \$235.95, \$237.95, \$239.95, \$241.95, \$243.95, \$245.95, \$247.95, \$249.95, \$251.95, \$253.95, \$255.95, \$257.95, \$259.95, \$261.95, \$263.95, \$265.95, \$267.95, \$269.95, \$271.95, \$273.95, \$275.95, \$277.95, \$279.95, \$281.95, \$283.95, \$285.95, \$287.95, \$289.95, \$291.95, \$293.95, \$295.95, \$297.95, \$299.95, \$301.95, \$303.95, \$305.95, \$307.95, \$309.95, \$311.95, \$313.95, \$315.95, \$317.95, \$319.95, \$321.95, \$323.95, \$325.95, \$327.95, \$329.95, \$331.95, \$333.95, \$335.95, \$337.95, \$339.95, \$341.95, \$343.95, \$345.95, \$347.95, \$349.95, \$351.95, \$353.95, \$355.95, \$357.95, \$359.95, \$361.95, \$363.95, \$365.95, \$367.95, \$369.95, \$371.95, \$373.95, \$375.95, \$377.95, \$379.95, \$381.95, \$383.95, \$385.95, \$387.95, \$389.95, \$391.95, \$393.95, \$395.95, \$397.95, \$399.95, \$401.95, \$403.95, \$