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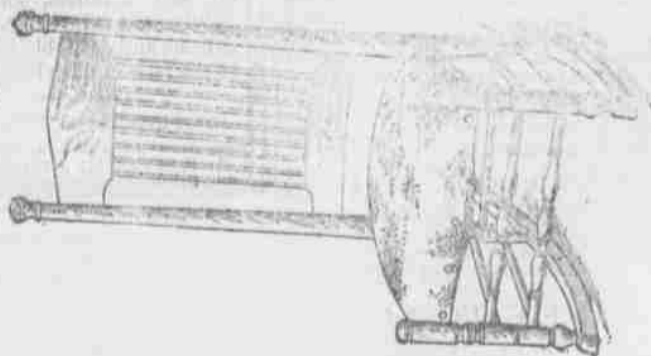


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This beautiful **ROCKER**, upholstered in fine silk plush, **Only \$2.29.** J. P. Williams & Son.

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Most of the trade know the quality and value of the Broadhead goods. For wear there is nothing in the market to equal it. The weave is of hard finish and will catch no dust. For one week these fabrics are reduced from 45c to 25c, and from 25c to 15c. This is certainly an extraordinary offer.

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## "Fancy China.

**Chas. Girvin,**

Successor to KIRBY, DORCAN & WAIDLEY.

8 South Main Street.

## The Tariff Has Done It! What?

Caused the manufacturers to unload 200 pairs Ladies' fine vice kid hand-welted Button Boots at a cut of \$1 a pair, former price \$3.25; we sell them at **\$2.25** This is an exceedingly low price. Great Bargains are offered by

**Joseph Ball,**

14 South Main Street, Shenandoah, Pa.

**Buckwheat Cakes.**



NEW FISHING CREEK

**Buckwheat Flour.**  
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Best in the market—strictly pure goods.

## New Mackerel.

The quality of Mackerel is improving. They will be still better in a few days. **NEW BLOATER MACKEREL,** NEW No. 1 MACKEREL just received.

FOR SALE.

3 Cars No. 1 Timothy Hay, 1 Car Corn, 2 A Oats.

**AT KEITER'S.**

## A DEMAND FOR THE KEYS

Evangelical Church War Reaches a Crisis Here.

### "NO SURRENDER" THE CRY

The Anti-Bowmanites Preparing to Leave, But Insist Upon Legal Process Before Quitting.

The first gun of the Evangelical church war was fired yesterday afternoon by the appearance in town of Rev. W. E. Fredericks, the Bowmanite clergyman of Tamaqua, who came to make a formal demand for the keys of the local church. As was anticipated, the demand was met with a refusal on the part of the anti-Bowmanites, and the latter are still in possession of the church property. Rev. Fredericks is a short, medium built man of middle age and speaks with tender tone. He has an easy-going manner and evidently has resources for emergencies. He called at the HERALD office this morning and stated the object of his visit to town. He said he came here expecting to find some members of the church who were not allied with the Bowmanites, having read in the newspapers that there were half a dozen, but upon arrival here found himself as a stranger in a strange land. He acquainted himself as much as possible with the town in a short space of time and sought the trustees of the church, but found that several of them were in attendance at the Reading conference of the church authorities.

The visitor eventually found three of the trustees, Messrs. R. Stocker, M. G. Gessly and David Faust, and made a demand for the keys of the church, but the delivery was refused, the trustees vacating that their board had decided not to vacate without an order from the court. Mr. Fredericks then stated that he would consult his attorney, ex-Judge Ryan, of Pottsville.

Rev. Fredericks was appointed by the Bowmanite conference last February to take charge of the Shenandoah, Mahanoy City, Coal Dale, Lansford and the Barnesville circuit, but withheld the exercise of his authority pending the decision of the Supreme Court.

At the same time Rev. Boyer was appointed to take charge of the Shamokin, Frankville and Ashland churches. Rev. Boyer is at present located at Shamokin. "I came here under legal advice," said Rev. Fredericks this morning, "and under that advice should have made the demand for the keys of the church in the presence of at least one layman, but as I could not find one here willing to assist me I suppose I must return to my lawyer and see what the next step is to be. From observations I have made I am inclined to believe that there are a number of the congregation disposed to join us, but a progress brought to bear prevents them. I think that we will yet be able to lay the matter before them in such a manner as to show that we love them and want them to return to the church, and I believe they will ultimately do so. The keys of the Lansford church have already been surrendered to me."

"With so many churches under your care you will not be able to fill the pulpit here every Sunday," the reporter replied. "We have not arranged that yet," Mr. Fredericks replied. "Our present work is to secure the church property. I presume we will be obliged to make arrangements for local preachers until the conference meets next February."

Rev. Lichtenwalner, O. S. Kehler, John L. Hassler, M. L. Kemmerer and Henry Sampson, authorities of the anti-Bowmanite faction, are in Reading attending the conference on the affairs of the church, and therefore are not cognizant of Rev. Fredericks' visit. One officer of the church seen to-day said that the demand for the keys of the church had been rejected because the congregation had rights which it could not surrender. If the court says the church must be surrendered the order will be obeyed, because while the claimants are legally right and morally wrong, there is no disposition to defy the course of the law. The congregation expects to hold service in the church next Sunday.

The congregation is practically holding on the church property until the Bowmanites secure possession by due legal process, and this the congregation believes will be the result. The followers of Rev. Lichtenwalner have already appointed a committee of five to look for a site for a church, several influential gentlemen having pledged themselves for amounts sufficient to make a start.

Before leaving town to-day Rev. Fredericks said that he would probably pay another visit to town and assert his rights before the close of the present week, although his action was altogether subject to the advice of his counsel and it was possible that action would be postponed until next week.

### Rupture.

Cure guaranteed. No operation. Inquire at the Shenandoah drug store, 9-13-14 S. South Main street.

The prettiest oil cloth and linoleum in town at Fricke's carpet store 10-10-14

## YOUTHFUL SHOPLIFTERS.

Two Girls of Tender Years Sent Down To Jail.

Frances Morris and Mary Yenskefski, twelve-year-old girls residing on Poplar street, have been halted in their downward path and are now confined in the Pottsville jail pending a trial of their case in court.

The girls belong to a party who make it a practice of going about the town gathering cast-off articles. Yesterday they strayed into the dry goods store of P. J. Monaghan, on South Main street, and while Mary held an umbrella she carried in such a manner as to shield herself and companion from view of the clerks, Francis stole a bolt of ribbon from a case.

Miss Connell, one of the clerks, became suspicious and as the two girls were leaving the store she halted them and required them to remain until Policeman Dougherty arrived. A search brought forth the ribbon and the girls were taken before Justice Williams.

Owing to the youthfulness and sex of the prisoners the parents were given an opportunity to adjust the matter, but they refused to do anything, not even desiring to procure bail, and the girls were sent down to Pottsville last evening, the authorities not considering the lockup a proper place of confinement for them.

As soon as the arrest became known reports were circulated that several merchants have been missing goods for some time past and Justice Williams issued warrants for a search of the girls' homes. Mary Yenskefski's house was the only place in which a discovery was made. Two pairs of slippers found there were identified by Morgan, the Oak street shoe dealer. He stated that one pair was stolen on Tuesday and the other last week.

McElhenny will have snapper, clam and oyster soup this evening.

### "Irish Inspiration."

Barry O'Neil and his company appeared in a play with the above title at Ferguson's theatre last night but failed to inspire the audience with the enthusiasm which such plays generally provoke. The story of the play is similar to others seen here. There are scheming land agents, persecuted lovers and always-on-hand friends of the victims, notably Con Kelly, a character assumed by Mr. O'Neil. The play lacks originality and Mr. O'Neil's character is not the rollicking Irishman which promises to become a popular character, although he sings some catchy songs very well. The company is a weak one, aside from Miss Mand Blanchard, who plays the character of Lady Margaret. This lady is a clever actress who has been seen here before and seems out of place in "Inspiration."

Mrs. Bridgeman, R. C. M., teaches violin (spidgeman) cello and piano. Corner of Jardin and Lloyd streets. 9-3-4f

### Crushed by Cars.

William, the seventeen-year-old son of Samuel Cannon, of West Strawberry alley, was dangerously injured in the Turkey Run colliery this morning. He was employed as a driver and fell beneath a trip of cars, the wheels crushing his right knee and badly lacerating the leg down to the ankle. Dr. Hamilton temporarily dressed the limb and the sufferer was removed to the Miners' Hospital. Amputation of the limb at the thigh may be necessary.

### Oysters Delivered.

On and after Friday, 12th inst., my representative will call upon families in all parts of town with prime oysters for sale and take orders for delivery. G. M. Schoener, proprietor, 121 North Main street. 10-11-2t

### A "Penny" Wreck.

A wreck occurred on the Pennsylvania railroad at New Boston, this morning, by a collision between two loaded coal trains. Three gondolas were thrown from the track and the rails and sills were torn up a considerable distance. The wreck prevented all traffic over the New Boston branch this morning, and all Lehigh Valley trains went to Pottsville and returned via the short line.

### Autumn Assembly.

The Ideal Social Club of Pottsville will hold an Autumn Assembly on the 17th inst. The patronesses are Mrs. Philip Woll, Mrs. George Ochs, Mrs. Joseph Woll, Mrs. M. Burkhardt, Misses Maggie Martin, Kate and Clara Veith and Mary McCormick.

Chicken and oyster pie at the White House to-morrow evening, 121 North Main street, G. M. Schoener, proprietor. 10-11-2t

### Surprise Party.

George Frost was tendered a surprise party at the home of his parents, on South Jardin street, last night. About twenty couple were in attendance. Vocal and instrumental music, dancing and games of various kinds were indulged in until midnight, when refreshments were served.

McElhenny's ladies' dining rooms are the coolest in town.

### Keep Your Feet Dry.

Just received a full line of cork-soled shoes and water-proof boots. Also a full line of ladies' misses' and children's shoes, which will be sold at the lowest bottom prices. Higgins', 34 South Main street. 10-8-4f

## TERRIFIC EXPLOSION.

Thirty-One Boilers Exploded at Shamokin This Morning.

### FIVE MEN WERE KILLED!

Four Others Were Injured and Two of Them Will Die—The Worst Explosion on Record.

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD.

SHAMOKIN, Oct. 11.—The most disastrous boiler explosion ever recorded in this region occurred at the Henry Clay colliery here this morning, at 7:30 o'clock. Five men were instantly killed, two fatally injured and two sustained injuries of a serious, but not dangerous, character.

THE KILLED.

JACOB DIDUM, Mahantongo Valley, married.

THOMAS CARR, married; one child.

WILLIAM BOYLE, married; four children.

WILLIAM McLAUGHLIN, married; no children.

WILLIAM ELLICK, 18 years of age.

INJURED.

PETER HECK, fatally.

WILLIAM GIMM, fatally.

DENNIS BUESAN, bruises and scalds.

J. F. FLECKENSTEIN, shocked.

The boiler house stands on the side of a mountain and about five hundred feet from the breaker. It contained thirty-seven boilers. All the men killed were in the boiler house at the time.

Just before the explosion occurred the water started to thump in a boiler at one end of the nest. Jacob Didum realized that an explosion was about to take place and his companions to run for their lives.

Just then a boiler went up. The men had already started for the other end of the boiler house. At the same time a boiler at that end exploded and the men were hurled in. Several boilers then exploded in rapid succession, as so many fire crackers, and there was no means of escape for the men in the house.

The boilers continued exploding until only six were left in the centre of the nest. They were displaced, but did not explode.

All the boilers that went up took different courses. Some went towards the breaker, others buried themselves into the dirt banks and some sailed high in the air and dropped on to the highway several hundred yards from the scene of the explosion.

One of the boilers went through the hoisting engine house, then through the colliery office, smashed a coal and rock wagon, skipped over a high embankment and then dropped into the public road.

Another boiler went through the breaker, shattering it considerably. It was the damage caused by the passage of this boiler through the breaker which injured Fleckenstein.

All the men who met their death were killed instantly and some of them were terribly mutilated. Thomas Carr's body was cut in three pieces.

The Henry Clay colliery is owned and operated by the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Company. Its pay-roll aggregated \$40,000 per month. The damage done to the boiler house and breaker will aggregate \$100,000. The colliery will be idle about six weeks. The cause of the explosion is not known.

All coal from the Big Mountain and Sterling collieries was sent by tunnel to the Henry Clay shaft and prepared at the breaker there for market. The inconvenience to the workmen of the two first named collieries by reason of the explosion will be obviated by a resumption of work at the Burnside and North Franklin collieries, which have been idle for some time.

### Free.

An invitation is extended to the public to visit McElhenny's cafe Saturday evening. Mr. McElhenny will have an epicurean surprise in store for you. Do not forget Saturday evening.

### PERSONAL.

Isaac Waters, of St. Clair, was a visitor to town last night.

E. D. Smith, Esq., of Pottsville, transacted legal business in town to-day.

J. C. Purcell, the Pottsville insurance agent, transacted business in town yesterday.

Samuel Miller, of Ringtown, witnessed the play at Ferguson's theatre last night.

Letter Carrier John Bartsch and son, Ralph, left for Philadelphia this morning.

Prof. G. W. Wells, of Schuylkill Haven, passed through town this morning on his way to Girardville.

M. J. O'Haren, one of the genial traveling salesmen of town, spent to-day hawking among the Shamokin business men.

Conductor Hartzels, a passenger conductor on the Lehigh Valley passenger train running between Mauch Chunk and Shamokin, is lying ill at his home in Mauch Chunk.

Begley & Schoener's oyster bay, 11 West Centre street. Meals served at all hours. Families supplied with oysters at short notice. 10-10-14

## THE SHAMOKIN FIRE.

No Trace of the Missing Men Has Been Found as Yet.

SPECIAL TO EVENING HERALD.

SHAMOKIN, Oct. 11.—There is no material change in the condition of affairs at the Lake Fidler colliery, as the fire is still raging in the inside workings and it has been impossible to make any further search for the bodies of George Brown, Anthony Bopert, and the two unknown Polish laborers, who lost their lives there. The Coal Run creek was turned into the mine yesterday and the heavy rain storm of Tuesday night and yesterday aided materially in the work of drowning out the inside workings to the height of the water level. The deadly afterdamp is now fastening from the mine openings in considerable quantities and puts the idea of further search for the bodies out of the question. The heavy rain was very timely as it has increased the quantity of water in the Coal Run stream to three times its former amount, and it is estimated that the Fidler mine can now be filled with water in four, or five weeks at most, instead of six weeks, the time it would have otherwise taken.

Arrangements are also being made to flush No. 1, or inside shaft, where the fire started. This will be accomplished by filling it full of coal dirt and water which will be washed into the shaft through the two eight-inch rope holes directly over this part of the workings. When the shaft opening has been filled with the culm, water will be kept running through it continually in order to extinguish the flames, and as the work progresses it is hoped that other arrangements can be decided upon to extinguish the flames at other points above the water level should they communicate farther.

It is not safe to approach very close to the mine openings at present as the deadly afterdamp is coming out in large quantities. Workmen are putting brattices in place at the openings between the Fidler and the Hickory Swamp and Colbert collieries and the latter operation resumed this morning. Although the Swamp is still idle it will start up again within a few days as when the bratticing has been completed both of these mines can work with safety for the present.

### Oysters!

If you want good oysters go to H. Mehl's, 105 East Centre street, next door to Devers' barber shop. The best selected oysters in the town. Private parlors for ladies. 10-15-th-2at

## RAILROAD AND MINE.

What is Going on in Both Branches of Industry.

The Lehigh Valley Railroad Company is receiving from 30 to 40 new hopper coal cars weekly from the Lebanon Car Works. Their great improvement over those in use heretofore is generally commented upon. The truck frames are of cast iron instead of wood, as formerly, and all are fully equipped with air brakes and patent couplers. The brakemen will in future have a better chance of escaping with their hands and arms while coupling. The Reading Railroad Company is also equipping its freight cars with the patent couplers as rapidly as possible to comply with the act of congress.

A new coal mine is soon to be opened at West Hazleton. Some years ago the Pennsylvania Railroad Company purchased this tract of 18,000 acres, ostensibly for the coal that might be under it. For many months they prospected, but could not locate enough coal to warrant the beginning of operations, their own men claiming that there was but little or no coal to be found. The firm of J. C. Hayden & Co. were then granted permission to prospect and practically obtained an option on the land. For the past year several men have been engaged in prospecting and succeeded in locating the coal.

A new lot of window shades at Fricke's carpet store. 10-10-14

### Struck by a Car.

As a car of the Schuylkill Traction Company's line rounded the curve at Main and Coal streets yesterday afternoon it struck Mokaitis' beer wagon and damaged it considerably. Robert Benny, the motor-man, claimed that the driver on the wagon refused to give right of way to the car.

### Tea and Sociable.

A tea and sociable will be given at the home of Mr. Charles Smith, 233 East Coal street, on Friday evening, October 12th, for the benefit of the Presbyterian church. All are invited.

Remnants of carpets and oil cloths cheap, at Fricke's carpet store. 10-10-14

## Look Out!

For packed eggs. Lots of them on the market. We never sell any. Wont touch 'em. Only fresh ones at our store.

**Graf's**  
122 North Jardin St.