

# EVENING HERALD.



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ONE CENT

## Christmas Goods,

... Suitable for Presents.

ORGANS, TOILET TABLES, GOLD SOFAS,  
SEWING MACHINES, LADIES' DESKS,  
PICTURES, EASELS, MIRRORS,  
GOLD RECEPTION CHAIRS, TURKISH ROCKERS,  
RECLINING CHAIRS, GOLD ARM CHAIRS.

Must be seen to be appreciated at

### JOHN P. WILLIAMS & SON

## Christmas is Over.

We now return to our regular business, but not to go to sleep. We will look up our entire stock and will bring before you a lot of goods worth your while to examine and inquire into. The money is scarce—we all know that; therefore we intend to make such reductions that you not only receive your money's worth, but double the value. Our store is, therefore, the proper place to invest it. Wait for the announcements. Watch this space.

116-18 N. Main St.

## English Dinner Sets, \$7.50.

## Decorated Toilet Sets, \$1.95.

New lot of

### China Oyster Plates,

Cheap at

### Chas. Girvin,

Successor to GIRVIN, DUNCAN & WAIDLEY.

8 South Main Street.

## We Have Now

a full line of Men's, Women's and Children's slippers for the holidays. Prices from 35 cents up.

Remember that we carry a full line of the snag proof duck boots. Rubbers of all styles at the lowest prices.

### Joseph Ball,

14 South Main Street, Shenandoah, Pa.

## The Result :-:

of low prices and good goods is quick sales.

Our Choice Family Flour at \$3.00 per barrel is selling fast and giving satisfaction every time. Try a barrel while it lasts.

### In Foreign and Domestic Fruits

### The Largest Stock

### The Greatest Variety

### The Lowest Prices

### The Heaviest Sales

### We have ever had.

Florida Oranges at 20 and 25 cents a dozen are cheap and quality fine.

Linoleums and Oil Cloths at the Reduced prices are quick sellers—65 cents is a very low price for two-yard wide Linoleum.

Table Oil Cloth—1½ yards wide—reduced to 15 cents a yard.

We offer bargains in Remnants and short length of Brussels Carpets. New spring styles in Moquettes are now here.

## For Sale

Now in stock and to arrive in a few days:

Two cars choice White Oats.  
One car Fine Middlings.  
Two cars No. 1 Timothy Hay.  
One car Corn.

Our chop is made of clean, sound old grain—no corn cobs or out hulls in it.

### At Keiter's.

## FIRE AMID THE STORM.

A Large West Street Dwelling in a Blaze.

### GOOD WORK BY FIREMEN.

Misleading Alarm, Bursting Hose and Other Obstacles Hampered Them, But Finally Subdued the Flames.

Amid the storm that raged last night, at about half past nine o'clock, there arose a cry of "fire!" It was followed by the sounding of an alarm over the electric system and the fire companies hurried their way down Main street through the driving gale and snow with all the speed the driving snow and gales would permit.

It was a terrible night, and as the bell could not be heard in some parts of the town but a small number of men responded at first. All the companies pulled down to the corner of Main and Poplar streets and the hose lines were unreeled, the firemen having been told that the fire was on Pear alley, at the rear of J. B. Monaghan's place. It was not until all preparations had been made that it was found the fire was at the southern end of West street—four squares distant from the place where the alarm box is located. In order to get to the scene the firemen were obliged to carry the hose on their backs up the steep hill on Poplar street to Jarlin, and the apparatus was sent back on Main and around by Cherry street. The Columbia Hose Company's engine took a position at the corner of Jardin and Poplar, the Rescue truck rested at West and Poplar streets and the hose carriages took positions at West and Laurel streets.

During the delay caused by the misleading alarm the fire was raging in a three-story and basement double frame dwelling, at the extreme end and on the west side of West street. The flames were blazing out the north and south sides of the third story when the firemen reached the place. A strong wind was blowing at the time, but took a southerly direction and thus warded off danger from the frame buildings north and east. When the firemen were ready to attack the building they found themselves handicapped by a short and irregular supply of water. This was due to the bursting of three sections of cotton hose and repeated parting of couplings. When everything was in working order the flames appeared to have fallen away, but the energy and determination with which the firemen got to work soon had a telling effect, and within half an hour after they started they had the fire confined. The storm worked until midnight and at that time the fire was declared extinguished. None of the neighboring buildings were damaged. The block in which the fire started was badly gutted and in all probability will have to be entirely rebuilt. It was originally owned by Isacher Robbins, but is now owned by Bartley Winn, a South Main street Polish saloonkeeper. It is valued at \$1,200.

The block was occupied by six Polish and Hungarian families. The fire is supposed to have been started by the opening of a lamp during a fight among boarders in a bedroom on the third floor of the building.

This fire was a benefit in many respects. It showed the value of the fire department. The men worked as hard and steady in the storm as could be expected from a paid department, and that they kept the flames so well confined in spite of all the obstacles shows that they also have a good stock of excellent judgment. Another beneficial effect is the lesson it teaches the officials having charge of the borough's affairs. The hose that burst has been in use for about fifteen years and has been reported to Council in connection with the couplings by Fire Marshal James S. Williams frequently since last July. That official has also called attention to the necessity for additional fire alarm boxes. There is no box in the neighborhood of where the fire was last night, the nearest to the scene being the box from which the alarm was sounded.

When the alarm was sounded the Rescue Hook & Ladder Company's fair was in progress. The members of the company did not allow the festivities to interfere with the call of duty, but responded promptly.

### 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. 9-15-14 sat.

### The Factory Open.

The Schuykill Hat and Cap Manufacturing Company this morning started operations in its new quarters, the old HERALD building, on East Coal street, and to-night the operatives will celebrate the event by having a dance in one of the large operating rooms. The company has hired the Schoppe orchestra and will supply refreshments.

### A New Social.

A social called Mrs. Quiggle's Family Reception will be held at the English Baptist church, on South Jardin street, to-night, beginning at 8 o'clock. An admission fee of five cents will be charged. Refreshments will be served.

### BOUND BY THE BLIZZARD.

The Storm Causes Many Branches of Business Trouble.

What little business had swing in this town and vicinity has been completely bound up by the storm to-day. The heavy gales, driving flakes and snow covered streets made work almost impossible for teamsters and shipping was almost out of question. No one visited stores only in cases of absolute necessity. Traffic on all lines of electric railways has been suspended since early last night, and as the storm continues with the same vigor as at the beginning it is impossible to say when the lines will be operated again.

The Lehigh Valley and Philadelphia & Reading railroads managed to keep up their freight and passenger traffic to-day, but with considerable difficulty. The latter road put two engines on each of its passenger trains on the line between this place and Mahanoy Plane.

The storm knocked out the collieries this morning and but two of the Reading mines were able to start up. They were the Ko-Inoor and Ellengowan. The latter suspended operations at noon.

The storm is a snorter and if there is not an early break trade and traffic will commence to suffer heavily. The indications are, however, that there will be a clearing to night with better results for to-morrow.

Many of the mail connections were missed to-day. The mail due here from the west on the nine o'clock Lehigh Valley train failed to get here on account of connection being missed at Shamokin.

The finest kind of holiday confectionery at M. L. Kemmerer's, 34 North Main street. 12-28 tf

### ENGINES COLLIDE.

An Accident at a Crossing Near Ashland This Morning.

The Lehigh Valley passenger train that left Ashland at 8:30 o'clock this morning, bound for Shenandoah, ran into a P. & R. engine at a crossing on the outskirts of the former town. The place where the accident occurred was where the P. & R. track leading to the big Mine Run colliery crosses the Lehigh tracks. Fortunately neither of the colliding engines was running fast and no person was injured. Both engines were damaged, but not very much. The collision was due to a misunderstanding on the part of one of the engineers as to which had the right of way. The accident caused a change in the running of trains on the Lehigh's Ashland branch until the wreckage could be cleared. The passenger train scheduled to leave here at 9:15 for Ashland met the Shamokin train at Kohinor Junction and made the run to Pottsville. A wreck crew had the road in shape so that all trains made their schedule runs after ten o'clock.

Get your holiday confectionery at M. L. Kemmerer's, 34 North Main street.

Our 30-cent chocolates are fine. M. L. Kemmerer. 12-28 tf

### PERSONAL.

Charles E. Titman spent to-day at Pottsville.

Miss Mabel Straub, of town, is visiting friends at Pottsville.

Postmaster Reber, of Ashland, visited town friends yesterday.

Thomas and Edward Morgan, of Shamokin, spent yesterday in town with relatives.

Miss Kate Elsenhart and her brother, George W., visited friends at Mahanoy City yesterday.

Prof. Williams, of Wilkes-Barre, who was a guest of town friends, left for his home yesterday.

Dr. Wendell Reber, of Pottsville, has decided to extend his holiday vacation and will not return from Philadelphia until January 2nd.

A nice holiday present. A box of Brennan's Havana cigars, \$1.25 per box.

### Aims House Investigation.

County Auditors Samuels and Jenkyn yesterday continued their investigation of the aims house charges at the Pottsville court house with little or no effect. It seems difficult to get witnesses who can give evidence of any value to the prosecution. The most important testimony adduced yesterday was that given by Mrs. Pierre Condon, an employe in the insane department. She swore that John Rash and one Butz, attendants, gave female inmates their clothing and watched them dressing. Dr. O'Hara removed Butz, but he was re-instated.

Smoke Brennan's famous cigars. They are the best in the market, for fine trade only. 12-21-14

### Offer to McHale.

The management of the Pottsville Athletic Club, which is to give an exhibition in Robbins' hall to-morrow (Friday) night, will give Sim McHale, of Shenandoah, \$25 to box William Gibson ten rounds at the exhibition. Al O'Brien, light weight champion of Pennsylvania, will also appear. In addition to the sparring exhibition Prof. Buchnell and Wingate will perform many feats of juggling on the invisible wire, introducing trained pigeons and knife throwing about the human body.

Brumm's jewelry and music goods store is the place after all for great variety and low prices. 12-22-14

## OUR COUNTY SEAT LETTER.

An Occasional Correspondent Treats General Topics Interestingly.

### TALK ON APPOINTMENTS!

Hopes of Schuykill County Applicants for the Factory Inspectorship Are Waning—Phillips' Chances.

SPECIAL HERALD CORRESPONDENT'S.

POTTSVILLE, Dec. 26.—The candidates in this county for Factory Inspector and Superintendent of the Arsenal at Harleburg are beginning to feel they are not in the contest. To tell the truth, all but one of them never were in it. The nearest to the Factory Inspectorship was Hon. D. D. Phillips, of Gordon, and there is no telling but that he may yet snatch the prize from the Western applicant. Dave is wily and knows considerable about manufacturing politics. He has a good friend at court who will land him a winner if it can be done without creating a reaction between the friend and the Governor elect.

General J. K. Sigfried would be a worthy successor to Wachthorn, the present inspector of factories, and if General Hastings could have his own way the appointment would be made. Sigfried stands high in Hastings' estimation, and if there is anything in sight the former will get it.

While General Hastings is looking around for material to fill his military staff he should not forget the veterans of the late war. I have heard it remarked that to fill the staff with selections entirely from the ranks of National Guardsmen will not be accepted as a proper step in the Keystone state.

The belief that Judge Pershing will not appear in court again is becoming stronger every day. It is believed he would resign at once were it known that the Judge's retiring Act would pass the Legislature. I do not think Judge Pershing is consulting his own interests in waiting. His friends have made it plain to him that it is his duty to wait. I am satisfied Governor Hastings will name Judge Pershing's successor during the coming year, and if the successor's name is not Richard Henry Koch the Governor will make a mistake and disappoint nine-tenths of the Republicans in the county. Mr. Wilhelm will not be an applicant, according to the statements of some of his best friends, and this will leave W. D. Seltzer, Esq., the only other probable candidate.

The next County Treasurer'ship is already being discussed again, and I am told that George Folmer, of Shenandoah, will again be the Democratic nominee. Hon. Elias Davis will in all probability be the Republican nominee. He has the promise of nearly all the most influential leaders and workers in the county. His conduct in the last campaign won for him the admiration of his friends and enemies alike. Davis is no kicker. He can always be found where you want him—in the line of duty. He has no friends to reward and no enemies to punish, and if he is the nominee, which is almost a certainty, he will be triumphantly elected.

Justice Dengler, of Shenandoah, is also spoken of in connection with the County Treasurer'ship, but he will have to get up very early in the morning to head off Elias Davis, although Dengler would make a strong candidate and an excellent official.

It is now almost a certainty that this town will have water works of its own. The Borough Council will agree to submit the question to the people and the people will win. There are several mossbacks in the old water company and it will not hurt to sit down on them for once.

I am almost persuaded to believe that Schuykill county will retain her two Senatorial districts through the influence of Senator Cameron. According to the constitution Schuykill will hereafter be entitled to five Representatives instead of six, and it is probable that it will be reduced to that number. Should that be the case three representatives will be distributed between the First, Second and Third districts and the remaining two would go to the Fourth. The apportionment will precipitate a bitter contest.

Next week the troubles of our representatives will commence. With several hundred seekers after positions hanging to their skirts and but a few places to give will require heroic diplomacy.

Sunday schools and families supplied with holiday confectionery by M. L. Kemmerer, 34 North Main street. 14

### Ninth Annual Ball.

The ninth annual ball of the Phoenix Rose Company No. 2 will be held in Robbins' hall on Monday, December 31st (New Year's Eve) and a good time is assured to all. The dancing music will be furnished by the Schoppe full orchestra. The receipts will be devoted to a fund to pay for the proposed new building of the company. 12-27-14

Ladies' neckchains. All styles and prices. At Strouse's jewelry store.

### Nine Hour Time.

The shops of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, at Delano, were yesterday started on nine-hour time. They had been working eight hours a day.

## Holiday Announcement

We desire to call your attention to our most beautiful collection of novelties in gold and sterling silver, diamonds and other precious stones, clocks, bronzes, jewelry, silver table ware, etc., all bought of the best and most reliable houses in this country.

All goods carefully selected, of unsurpassed beauty, most attractive graceful and unique in appearance, with the newest ideas of a rich, exclusive character confined in Shenandoah entirely to this house.

Our stock is beyond doubt the best selected and most magnificent in this county. The celebrated B. & H. Banquet Lamp, and gold finished Onyx Table, a specialty.

It will be to your interest to give us a call. Prices the lowest at

### A. HOLDERMAN'S,

Cor. Main and Lloyd Sts.

## A Final Word

FOR 1894.

We wish to bring to your notice that our line of HOLIDAY GOODS was never so complete. The prices will surprise you. Never will goods be sold so low for years to come. An excellent variety of

Push Albums, Celluloid Albums, Celluloid and Push Handkerchief Boxes, " " Photograph Boxes, Writing Desks, Writing Tablets, Manicure Sets and Toilet Cases.

## Toys in Endless Variety.

Dolls (a beautiful line), trumpets, tool chests, pianos, chairs for dolls and little folks, doll carriages, wash sets, mechanical toys, musical toys, &c.

Come and see our stock before you make your purchases. We will do our best to please you and assure prices that CAN'T be beat. Don't forget that

**\$15.00**

we give away to our customers absolutely FREE on January 15, 1895.

### F. J. Portz & Son

21 North Main Street.

### DROPPED DEAD.

The Oldest Lehigh Valley Railroad Engineer Passes Away.

John McCarroll dropped dead at his home in Delano this morning. He was about sixty years of age and was the oldest engineer in the employ of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company and a stockholder in it. He was an active engineer up to a few years ago, when the company detailed him to the yard and shops at Delano. He worked up to last night and his death was wholly unexpected.

A large stock of cuff buttons at Strouse's jewelry store. 12-22-14

Go to M. L. Kemmerer's, 34 North Main street, for your Christmas confectionery.

### Notice.

The members of John W. Stokes Lodge, No. 515, I. O. O. F., will please take notice that on and after December 28th, 1894, the lodge will meet in Egan's hall, corner Main and Centre streets, every Friday evening at the usual hour.

ARTHUR WHARMSBY, N. G.  
Attest:—J. S. WILLIAMS, Secy.  
31-25-94-37

Gold and silverware in all the latest and most unique designs for holiday presents at Yost's jewelry store. 12-19-14

## Beginning To-day

We put on sale 25 barrels of the old standard, "PRIDE OF LEHIGH" Flour, at \$3.00 per barrel. This is not a low grade flour, but a full-roller, of all winter wheat. We have sold it with satisfaction for 7 years. There will be no more at this price, and you will never buy it cheaper. Don't miss the chance

### Graf's

122 North Jardin Street.