

the present rate of depletion continues. The trouble with the reserve under Mr. Carlisle's vigorous and comprehensive management is that it won't stay reserved.

It is perhaps not surprising that a Democratic Administration should break down all round in the more important functions of government, but it is rather strange that it cannot even gum a postage stamp correctly. The current stamps are the worst of their kind. They are not up to the standard in color and won't stick. This is what a nation gets which admits to power such an imbecile and at the same time such a flagitious party. It ought to be dipped in the gum arabic of its unsuccessful philatelic experiments and hung up somewhere to dry.

REPUBLICANS CAN have no objection to an extra session of the 54th Congress at as early a date as President Cleveland may choose to call it. On the other hand, they will welcome the opportunity of rendering the country valuable service betimes. The question is, Will the President call an extra session? The Republican House would not be "on his hands," it is true, but it might interfere seriously with his "personal comfort." There is some ground for believing that the talk about an extra session is designed to rouse the present Congress from its lethargy and stimulate it to action. It is easier to believe this than to believe that Mr. Cleveland seriously contemplates bringing the new Congress together not long after March 4.

COLORADO, from whose robust and expansive lungs went forth a long, loud, trans-continental howl that her progress would be halted and her business ruined by the repeal of the Sherman Silver Purchase act, is already refuting herself, and showing by her own testimony that she scarcely knew what she was talking about. The depression which the repeal brought upon the industry of silver-mining has been followed by so great an increase in the production of gold and so vast an extension of operations in the development of mineral territory, that the abrogation of the Sherman act, instead of being a disaster, is likely to prove the greatest blessing that Colorado has ever received in the way of Federal legislation. Leadville, for years the centre of the silver producing interests of the state, is the scene of the activities like those which characterized its early days, and the yield of gold from its tributary territory is increasing at an astonishing rate. The energy and capital hitherto devoted mainly to silver-mining are now directed toward the production of gold, and in all the great mining districts of the state there is a feverish, eager and successful development of the yellow metal; which seems entirely to carry Colorado into an era of larger and more durable prosperity than she has ever known. The Centennial state may yet feel in duty bound to pass a vote of thanks to the courageous statesmanship which sensibly, even if rudely, awakened her from her long and enchanting but still enervating silver drama.

known and popular bakery establishment of Frederick Keithan, was established in 1873, since which time Mr. Keithan has, through great energy and perseverance, built up a large and lucrative trade. The premises occupied are spacious, conveniently arranged and well equipped with all the requisite appliances for the manufacture of fine family bread, rolls, doughnuts, cakes, pastry, pies, &c., which are furnished, fresh, to consumers and the trade every morning. The materials used at this model establishment are first-class in every respect and its products are universally recognized as the best in the town. Mr. Keithan makes a specialty of his rye and Vienna breads, which have gained a wide reputation for their excellent qualities. He also manufactures the finest ice cream and ices in this vicinity which are in great demand. The proprietor has had several years experience in this branch of industry and is one of our most enterprising and progressive business men and citizens, and has, through his own unaided efforts, built up one of the finest business enterprises in this vicinity. The credit of his admirable concern is gilt edged.

W. J. Dech, Carriage and Wagon Builder.

The name of Mr. Dech is well known all over this part of the state and is always coupled with the best work and most honorable business methods. As a carriage and wagon builder he has no superior in the state and all work turned out of his establishment can always be relied upon to be perfect in every respect; indeed, the vehicles made by him are not surpassed by those of any other maker, either for durability or excellence. He carefully selects all his material, employs only expert workmen and supervises every detail himself, thus insuring the best results. A repairing and horse shoeing department in which the greatest care and attention is paid to every piece of work, and Mr. Dech guarantees satisfaction in every case. He is not only an expert mechanic and worker in iron and wood, but also a thorough business man whose name stands high in the commercial circles of Shenandoah and surrounding country.

Schaeffer's Harness Manufactory, 121 N. Main Street.

Mr. E. M. Schaeffer has always maintained a high reputation for the superiority of his productions and fair and square management of his business affairs. He opened his present enterprise here in 1882 and since that period has built up a very large and prosperous trade. The premises utilized are commodious and fitted up with special reference to the business and in his workshop will be found a complete equipment of tools necessary and a number of skilled workmen are employed. The store is neat and complete in all its appointments and contains a fine stock of everything in the line of horse furnishings, embracing light and heavy, single and double harness, suitable for truck, road, carriage, heavy draught and farm purposes, bridles, halters, collars, saddles, &c., all of his own superior manufacture, and in which none but the very best quality of leather and trimmings is used, while he personally superintends every detail of the manufacture. He also carries a general line of fur and wool robes, blankets, whips, fly nets, horse boots, clippers, breast pads, and in fact everything used on or about a horse. He is the sole agent in the anthracite region for Barton's patent mine bane. Mr. Schaeffer is thoroughly experienced in every detail of this industry and devotes his entire time and attention to its conduct and enjoys the fullest confidence of all with whom he has had business relations.

David Faust, Insurance, 120 South Jardin Street.

No intelligent man now asks the question, "Shall I insure?" but every wise man asks, "With what agent and company shall I insure?" In Shenandoah this question is easily answered by supplying the name of David Faust whose reputation for integrity and taking care of his clients' interest is of the highest and who represents some of the oldest, strongest and most reliable insurance companies doing business in America. Those insuring with Mr. Faust are always sure of the fairest kind of treatment, their risks are properly placed in a sound company, at the lowest possible rates, and in case of loss, their claims are carefully looked after by a competent and honorable man. His office has a clean and flattering record for claims settled and is the proper place for all property owners in Shenandoah to place their insurance. Mr. Faust is a prominent factor in the social and commercial circles here and he is highly esteemed by all classes in the community.

R. T. Knight, Grocer.

A leading and very prosperous grocery house of Shenandoah, is the well-known establishment conducted by Mr. R. T. Knight, at 8 South Jardin street. He carries a full and complete stock of the

best grain, straw, and other commodities in the community and their business is so conducted as to commend their place of business to the favor and confidence of all with whom it has dealings and to steadily increase its prosperity from year to year. William H. Glenn, who manages the business, is very polite and popular both in social and commercial circles here and is one of our most enterprising and progressive citizens.

promptly and in the most superior quality of his goods and services. The methods upon which his business is conducted, Mr. Klein has gained the fullest confidence of the trade at large, while as a citizen he is highly esteemed and regarded as one of our most enterprising and successful men.

Home Friendly Society of Baltimore, Md. Industrial Insurance.

B. L. TALLEY, Prest. } Wm. T. EVANS, Supt.
GEO. A. CHASE, Secy.



One of the most important questions which has for the past quarter of a century commanded public attention is the science of life insurance, and the most practical and economical methods by means of which a person may, through a moderate weekly expenditure, make provisions for his family when death shall have deprived them of his support and protection. It has been only by degrees and through careful study by experts like B. L. Tally that the most beneficial systems have been brought to their present state of perfection, and in the science and theory of life insurance wonderful progress has been made. The Home Friendly Society, which conducts its affairs upon the industrial plan, is among the most useful, liberal and benevolent institutions doing business in this country. Its plans are based upon the most liberal and soundest principles, and its manager, Mr. William T. Evans, is a trustworthy and capable officer. There is no doubt but that the Home Friendly Society has a firm hold on the public favor and confidence, and its business is rapidly increasing from week to week, as the death claims so promptly paid will attest. The Home Friendly Society has purchased the business of another company lately, which will add greatly to its prosperity.

Hon. Joseph Wyatt, Dealer in Wines and Liquors, Corner Main and Coal Streets.

Prominent among the representative men of Shenandoah special mention is due to Hon. Joseph Wyatt, whose business and public career have always been of the most honorable, successful and praiseworthy character. In the conduct of his liquor store and restaurant at his popular stand, corner Main and Coal streets, he has made a host of friends and customers who appreciate and patronize him because of his upright principles and square dealing and his affable manners and personal qualities. These considerations also led the people, who wanted an able and honest representative in the Legislature, to elect him on November 6, 1894, and during his career there he will without doubt distinguish himself for his close attention to the affairs of the state and ably represent his constituency. He is thoroughly posted on all the live questions of the day and is an enterprising and progressive gentleman who takes an especial pride in the progress and welfare of Shenandoah where his interests lie and of which he is an honored and representative citizen. He has resided in Shenandoah four years. His youthful days were passed in Mahanoy City, where his respected parents still reside.

Billinger & Bro., Photographs

Established in May by its present proprietors, the art studio and gallery of Billinger & Bro. has since that time maintained a prominent position among the leading establishments of its kind in this section of the state. Messrs. Billinger & Bro. have kept pace with the progressive spirit of the age in adopting all the approved processes and mechanical and chemical improvements, which have been from time to time introduced in this interesting department of industrial art, and the fine specimens of work that adorn the walls of their reception room and art studio, will not suffer by comparison with those of contemporaneous artists in the leading metropolitan galleries. The spacious premises occupied by the reception room, art studio and gallery are conveniently and elegantly arranged with admirable light, modern apparatus and fine scenic effects for producing the best and most artistic results. Photographs of every style and size, single or in groups, are guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction in every case. All care is given to artistic posing, exquisite finish and everything down to the least details in retouching and printing is attended to in a manner to satisfy the most fastidious connoisseurs. Personally these gentlemen are highly proficient members of the profession, who enjoy the respect and esteem of all classes in this community.

Singer Manufacturing Co.

The Singer Manufacturing Company established an agency in Shenandoah in its early history. C. J. Quinn, the present manager, took charge of the company's business in this town in 1881. Mr. Quinn is a native of Schuylkill county, and backed by the merits of this great sewing machine has sold thousands and thousands of them. The Singer Agency headquarters in Shenandoah is one of the solid business houses that gives tone and stability to the town, and the people have long since recognized the fact that the Singer is the machine, and few people in Shenandoah have any other. In fact, few in the world buy any other, as statistics show that three-fourths of all the machines sold in the world are Singers. For family or manufacturing purposes it has no equal. The two hat and cap factories here are equipped with Singers, the Mahanoy City overall factory, the Girardville overall factory, the Ashland shirt factory, the seven shoe factories at Orwigsburg, in fact the manufactories of the world use practically Singer machines. This is the best kind of proof that the Singer is without a doubt the best machine in the world. Many of our readers are acquainted with these facts and know the truth of the assertion. The Singer Company always takes pride in never making an assertion that they are not willing to back up. At the World's Fair the Singer carried off 54 first awards, more than all the other sewing machines combined.

John Roberts, Livery and Funeral Director.

The livery of J. Roberts is not only favorably known in Shenandoah, but has a state reputation for the splendid style in which it is conducted and the peerless turnouts of the establishment which completely outclass anything to be seen in Schuylkill county. Mr. Roberts keeps a large number of fine driving horses, among which are some matched teams of superior style and beauty, and his coaches and sleighs have been made to order for him regardless of expense and are perfect models of design and splendid in appearance. His lighter rigs are also first class, and while he maintains his stables as the leader in their line and furnishes the public with the finest outfits, his charges are as low as those of any other stable. Special arrangements are made for funerals, weddings and all kinds of parties and a prominent feature of the house is that Mr. Roberts is an experienced and courteous funeral director, a graduate of Clark's school of embalming, the only graduate in this part of the county. He can go in and do his work successfully and has the ability to do it. He supplies

S. Haak, Wholesale Beer and Liqueurs.

This house has established a high reputation all over this part of the country for the superior quality of goods and its liberal business methods. Mr. Haak receives his liquors direct from the manufacturers and deals extensively in the best brands of whiskeys, brandies as well as choice wines, champagnes. His beer, ale, porter, are all the products of the best breweries in the country and are highly esteemed everywhere. He offers the best inducements to the trade and has a large territory in his business. Mr. Haak enjoys a wide reputation for the prompt and careful manner in which he attends to all orders and his customers and patrons can always depend upon getting just what they ask for. The liberal methods upon which his business is conducted, Mr. Haak has the fullest confidence of the trade at large, while as a citizen he is highly esteemed and regarded as one of our most enterprising and successful men.

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