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ONE CENT

## A Drive

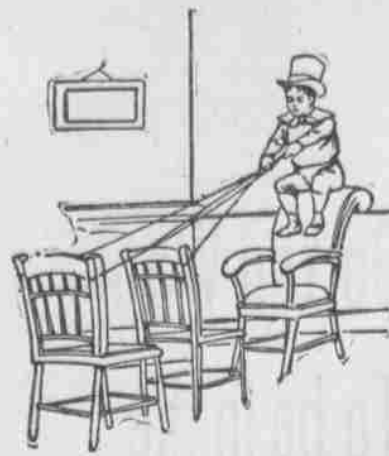
In furniture that will make the thin pocket-book smile all over with gladness. See what a small amount of money will accomplish just now:

Ladies' Rockers ..... \$1.00 up.  
Bedsteads ..... 1.90 up.  
Cupboards ..... 3.00 up.  
Extension Tables ..... 4.50 up.  
Cradles ..... 1.25 up.  
Chamber Suits, 8 pieces ..... 14.00 up.  
Parlor Suits, 5 pieces ..... 25.00 up.

Come and see and be convinced that this is the cheapest place in the state to buy your furniture.

**Williams & Son**

No. 13 S. Main St.



## A Big Clothing Merchant

Of Shenandoah was in the city for three weeks purchasing spring stock. I bought great bargains in the finest styles. By chance I bought at Sheriff's sale for \$2,000 Clothing worth \$5,000.

## These Bargains Must be Sold

To make room for the 58 cases of SPRING CLOTHING which are to come. The clothing just received packs my store and there is no room left for more goods. I must and will sell these BARGAINS before the 17th of March, as my Spring stock comes in March. Come all, come everybody. Come early to get your bargains. This sale will just suit you for these hard times.

## No Offer Refused.

They must be sold at any price to make room for more goods. Don't miss the great bargains. Remember the place.

**Great Mammoth Clothing House,**

L. GOLDIN, Prop

9 and 11 South Main Street.

## Glassware

A beautiful and very useful line  
At the cut price of

5c, 10c and 15c per Piece.

**F. J. Portz & Son,**

NO. 21 NORTH MAIN STREET, SHENANDOAH, PA.

We will give a sheet of Music FREE to any purchaser of goods from our store for the mere asking.

## New Capes at Bargain Prices.

Look at our window display of spring capes. Every garment new and correct in style. This week we offer three great leaders at

**\$1.19, \$1.98 and \$2.89.**

These prices are just half of what you would expect to pay. New dress goods coming every day. Our store is up to date in the newest novelties in rich dress goods at money-saving prices. Ten pieces more of that wonderful 50 cent black Henrietta just received. Equal to the dollar goods of other stores.

**L. J. Wilkinson, 29 South Main St.**

## For Sale To-day:

- 1 Car Fine Winter Wheat Middlings.
- 1 Car Choice Yellow Corn.
- 1 Car Heavy Oats.
- 1 Car High-grade Roller Flour, \$3 bbl.
- 1 car Choice Baled Hay.

## For Sale

A Good Heavy Spring Wagon,  
For two horses—almost new.

**At Keiter's.**

## THE NEWS GLEANINGS

Interesting Paragraphs Built up by the Active Reporters on Their Rounds.

### FLIM-FLAM MEN IN TOWN!

THEY MAKE UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPTS TO WORK A FARMER AND A BUTCHER—THEIR GAME.

Two Peddlers of Town Put in the Sunbury Jail After Securing a Release on the Strength of a Worthless Check.

The people of this town are warned against the operations of two flim-flammers. They are men who follow in the wake of circuses, fairs, or anything else that draws people to town, but during the past few days have been working the game on the quiet here. They are well known to the police of this region and would now be under arrest if the parties they have tried to victimize were not indispensed to bother with lawsuits. The worthy pair stopped a farmer on North Main street on Tuesday and asked him for a pound of butter. They were supplied and one of them tendered a five-dollar bill in payment. The farmer placed the exact change in the purchaser's hand, but the latter, with a quick movement, caused a dollar to disappear and argued that the change was short. The trick was done before the farmer's wide-open eyes and he was at first inclined to believe that he had made a mistake, but his better judgment prevailed and after a hot argument he succeeded in convincing the "flammers" that he was not to be beaten. The two men were very anxious to conduct the argument in an undertone and slipped away when they saw a crowd gather. Later in the day the men went into a West Centre street butcher shop and purchased a pound of bologna. The intended victim escaped more by force of circumstances than anything else. He tried to break the five dollar bill, but couldn't scrape enough change together and refused to leave the shop to get the bill changed. Two young men of town became apt pupils of the sharpers and are now said to be working the game at Mt. Carmel and Shamokin. The whole gang is being closely watched.

### Frightened the Fakir.

Sharpers of all kinds seem to be flooding this region. The Mahanoy City Record gives an account of trouble with one in that town on Tuesday night. The trouble arose out of a purchase of a chain from a traveling fakir. The fakir was selling the chains for the genuine article and charged fifty cents for them, claiming that each was worth double the money. On this assurance quite a large number of his audience purchased, but on close scrutiny some of the smarter ones found that the chains were nothing more than common brass and practically worthless. All were soon acquainted with the true facts, and then they demanded that the money be returned. The fakir closed up and tried to quit the place, but the stronger ones hedged him in. He mounted a convenient wagon box and tried to argue, but still of no avail. At last he agreed to return the money upon return of the chains, and a general rush was made for the wagon. When about half returned he made use of the old guy that he had already returned more money than he had sold chains. This further angered the crowd, as a great many still had the worthless chains in their possession, and a mad rush was made for the fakir, with no mild intention. The fakir saw that further remonstrance was useless and returned the money to all those who had the chains, and quit the place immediately.

### A Worthless Check.

Two men of town named Mike and Saba Zuski were arrested at Excelsior about three weeks ago for peddling without a license. They were given a hearing before a Mt. Carmel Justice and settled the case by giving a check for \$150 on the First National Bank of this place in payment of the fines and costs. When the check was forwarded to the bank it was stamped as "no good." Detective Amour was instructed to locate and arrest the men, which he did, and they have been placed in the Sunbury jail to await trial on the original charge, and will probably be prosecuted for issuing a false check.

Dawn has removed his gallery to Hoffman's old stand, West Centre street.

## IF YOU...

Were face to face with a prospective customer, what would you say to insure a sale? Say the same in an advertisement to our many readers, every one a prospective buyer. People would be glad to deal with you if they knew how you could benefit them

USE THESE COLUMNS.

## MR. WYATT'S BILLS.

The Representative Introduced Two Important Ones Yesterday.

Representative Joseph Wyatt, of town, yesterday introduced two bills in the House at Harrisburg, one affecting the duties of tax collectors and one providing for a new ward for patients at the State Hospital at Fountain Springs. The latter bill provides that a ward shall be erected for the reception and special treatment of persons afflicted with anthracosis, or miners' asthma, and persons suffering with lung diseases contracted by reason of employment in glass works, and that the sum of twenty thousand dollars be appropriated for the purpose.

The other bill provides that tax collectors shall furnish each person, on payment of taxes, with a numbered receipt setting out date, name of taxpayer, amount of tax and district in which taxpayer is assessed, from a book containing a stub, that on the stub a memorandum shall be made in ink of the number of the receipt, the date, name of taxpayer, amount of tax and the district. That ten days before each election the tax collectors are to send a sheet to the office of the County Commissioners containing the number of each receipt issued, date of payment, name of taxpayer, amount of tax, and the district. The first report shall be for taxes received on and after June 1st, 1895. The County Commissioners are to have the reports bound and kept for public inspection. Any tax collector failing to comply with the requirements will be subject to a fine of not more than \$200, or not more than one year's imprisonment, or both.

## PERSONAL.

Harry Davidson, of East Coal street, spent this afternoon in Mahanoy City.

James Hilbert, Sr., spent several pleasant hours at Mahanoy Plane last evening.

Captain Withers, of the local Salvation Army corps, spent last evening in Ashland.

Warren J. Portz, George H. Krick, Leo Bamberger and Prof. E. W. Wilde went down to Pottsville to hear the Son-a-Band concert.

R. F. Coogan, proprietor of the Lakeside hotel, at East Mahanoy Junction, was a visitor to town yesterday, receiving medical relief for a sore throat, and incidentally making arrangements for the opening of the spring and summer season at his resort.

### Mrs. Patchulis Convicted.

Mrs. Fannie Patchulis, of the First ward, was convicted before the Pottsville court yesterday on a charge of keeping a disorderly house. She was sentenced to pay a fine of \$1 and costs and serve 30 days imprisonment. She went to jail accompanied by her small child and now the family is in prison, as the husband had been previously sent to the jail on a charge of larceny.

### Important Notice.

Notice is hereby given to all parties who have left watches at my place for repairs that if they are not called for on or before March 30, 1895, they will be considered forfeited and sold at auction to the highest bidder. All work ordered of me will be executed at once. Yost, Jeweler, 102 North Main street. 2-26-ap11

### The Injured Passengers.

The passengers who were injured in the Lehigh Valley wreck near Lofty on Tuesday night were Mrs. William Yates, Miss Elizabeth Moore and Miss Williams, of Mahanoy City; J. S. Goldstein, New York; G. B. Leavenworth, New Haven, Conn., and A. R. Dardue, Blinghampton, New York. None were dangerously injured.

### The Charity Concert.

The concert which was to have been given at Ferguson's theatre this evening, for the benefit of the deserving poor of Shenandoah, has been postponed until the 28th inst. The postponement is very much regretted by the committee. It was unavoidable, as many of the people who are to take part are ill.

### Died.

POWELL.—At Shenandoah, Pa., on the 14th inst., Benjamin Powell, aged 87 years, 3 months and 4 days. Funeral will take place on Monday, 18th inst., at 2 p. m., from the family residence, 324 West Cherry street, Shenandoah. Interment in Odd Fellows' cemetery. Relatives and friends respectfully invited to attend. 3-14-95

### Feigenspan's Book.

Now on tap at all the principal hotels and saloons. It is a genuine book beer. No counterfeit, but excellent beer direct from the celebrated Christian Feigenspan Brewery, Newark, N. J. 3-14-1w

When you want good roofing, plumbing, gas fitting, or general tin-smithing done call on E. F. Gallagher, 15 West Centre street. Dealer in stoves. 3-4-tf

### Obituary.

Benjamin Powell, a very old and highly respected resident of this place, died at his home on West Cherry street this morning. He was in his sixty-seventh year and died after a lingering illness.

### Coming Events.

April 23, 24—Entertainment in the All Saints' P. E. church to raise library funds.

Buy Keystone flour. Be sure that the name LESSIG & BARR, Ashland, Pa., is printed on every sack. tf

## MERCANTILE MATTERS

To Revolutionize the System of Rating the Standing of Business People.

### WILL LIMIT GUESS WORK.

THE INJURIOUS EFFECTS OF HAPHAZARD REPORTS ON THE RESPONSIBILITY OF BUSINESS MEN.

One Strong Case in Point Where the Merchant Was Incorrectly Reported to and Rated by the Mercantile Agency.

Among the visitors to town yesterday was George S. Titus, of Philadelphia, a gentleman who claims to represent a recently organized sort of secret service to be used in connection with commercial agencies. Mr. Titus says he represents an entirely new undertaking, one which will revolutionize the credit system in commercial circles. His visit to this region is due to the business crisis that has brought about so many seizures by the Sheriff of late. Although his business, to a large extent, partakes of the secret character Mr. Titus spoke quite freely to a reporter. He says that many of the commercial agencies have found that they have been imposed upon by certain people who have been relied upon for information concerning the standing of business people. Pursuant to inquiry caused by disclosures made through these defective returns to commercial agencies, agents found that in many cases the rating of some people who should have ranked high had been placed as doubtful, and in some cases as worthless, and vice versa. Next to the business men rated, none suffered more inconvenience by these improper reports than the traveling salesman sent out by the wholesale houses. The case of a Shenandoah salesman was cited. He took an order from a storekeeper for a barrel of provisions on credit, knowing the man to be responsible for at least a thousand barrels, yet the house would not fill the order because the merchant was not rated satisfactorily by the commercial agency with which the house had dealings. This situation, Mr. Titus says, came about through somebody not knowing anything about the merchant's business attempting to rate him; or, perhaps, the duty to assign the rate being placed in the hands of a party anxious to do the merchant an injury. It has also transpired that several people in the region who have been rated at a splendid figure have been the first to go under the Sheriff's hammer, while many who were rated very low have braved the financial crisis and give no indication of going under. Mr. Titus says that at present there is really no remedy. Many of the merchants suffer unconsciously, because they are not members of the agencies rating them, and the agencies cannot proceed against the parties furnishing the information, because it is given as a gratuitous service and without any attempt to guarantee correctness.

It has been the practice of these mercantile or commercial agencies to forward to certain business places in different towns blank return sheets with letters requesting that the blanks be filled, giving as near as the writer can the financial standing of the man whose name is written at the head of the blank. It can be readily seen that this places a powerful weapon in the hands of any unprincipled person whom the agency may inadvertently deputized for the work. Mr. Titus says that some failures in the coal region have occasioned much surprise in distant commercial circles, but if the proper information had been forwarded to the agencies there would not have been room for surprise, as many of the people would not have enjoyed the credit accorded them. The new system is intended, to an extent, to act as a check upon some of the reports made to the agencies and adjust discrepancies, whereby it is hoped the actual standing of the business people reported may be more closely reached. If successful the system will be of great benefit to all circles. The legitimate business man will no longer be the victim of unprincipled foes; the man who really has little or no standing will be deprived of the chance to give himself a fictitious rating, and the mercantile agencies will be able to give their clients more reliable information.

### Mantell in "Monbars."

Robert Mantell will appear in "Monbars" at the Ashland opera house on Thursday evening. The performance will begin promptly at 8 o'clock and electric cars will be held to enable people from Shenandoah and other places to get home after the performance. 3-12-95

### The New Post Office.

The alterations and improvements being made in the Ferguson theatre building, to provide new quarters for the post-office, are progressing rapidly and it is expected that they will be ready by April 1st. The quarters will embrace the rooms formerly occupied by the Adams Express Company and W. J. Galvin and will be 50x30 feet in size. The location will be one of the best the office has ever had.

## Best and Finest

In the County.

18 kr. plain Wedding Rings,  
Band and Fancy Rings, Diamonds, Sterling Silver and Platedware, Jewelry, Clocks and Optical Goods sold lower than ever.

## HOLDERMAN'S

## Jewelry Store,

Cor. Main and Lloyd Sts.

Repairing done prompt and in faultless manner.

### A MAGNIFICENT WORK.

The Funk and Wagnalls Standard Dictionary Now Completed.

After five years of immense labor and an expenditure of almost a million dollars Funk & Wagnalls, of New York city, have completed their Standard Dictionary of the English Language. The second and last volume has just been issued. The great amount of expert labor spent upon the work may be realized from the statement that no fewer than 247 specialists and other editors were engaged upon it and the actual cost before a completed copy was ready for the market was \$900,000. All men engaged upon the work were of world-wide reputation for expert knowledge and scholarship. The work approaches perfection nearer than any other of modern times and embodies many new principles in lexicography. It contains 2,338 pages; 5,000 illustrations, made expressly for it; 801,865 vocabulary terms, which is nearly two and a half the number of terms in any single-volume dictionary, and about 75,000 more than in any other dictionary of the language. The work cannot be overestimated and is a decided improvement upon other notable dictionaries of recent issue.

## AMUSEMENTS.

### "THE PAY TRAIN."

For one night only, Friday, March 16th, at Ferguson's theatre will be produced the realistic comedy drama, "The Pay Train," headed by the sterling actress, Florence Bindley. An entire carload of scenery, an electric storage battery and a forty horse-power steam engine, all of these effects are carried by the company, and yet the play does not depend on them for its success, as it is a play of great literary and dramatic merit with a plot so very interesting as to hold the audience spell-bound from first to last. It is a play that appeals to the average theatre goer and pleases all classes, having an equal division of comedy and pathos. Incidental to the play specialties will be introduced, including those made famous by Miss Bindley.

### "THE POLICE PATROL."

Real horses, real patrol wagon, and real policemen are a few of the inducements offered to play goers in A. Y. Pearson's "Police Patrol," which comes to Ferguson's theatre on Saturday, March 16th. This will be refreshing news to the weary public and will no doubt be appreciated. Those who have not read or seen of this excellent production have doubtless been apprised of its merits by their friends, for it has toured the continent season after season with unvarying success, and promises to retain its popularity for many years to come.

There are many common liniments sold but there is only one great pain cure for all forms of Sprains, Cuts, Bruises and all bodily pain. Its name is Red Flag Oil. Costs 25 cents. Sold at Grahler Bros. Drug Store.

## You'll be Surprised

To learn how cheap EGGS are at our place. Lower than ever. Cost less than meat. Remember, we sell none but fresh eggs.

We have a great variety of Butter.

**Graf's**

122 North Jardin Street.