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122 NORTH MAIN STREET, SHENANDOAH.

DRIED FRUITS.

Prunes 3 pounds for 25 cents,	Raisins 5 pounds for 25 cents.
Prunes 2 pounds for 25 cents,	Raisins, (blue) 3 pounds for 25 cents.
Peaches 3 pounds for 25 cents,	Raisins, (red) 3 pounds for 25 cents.
Peaches 2 pounds for 25 cents,	Pears (dried) 2 pounds for 25 cents.
Nectarines 3 pounds for 25 cents,	California Peaches, 15c per pound.
Apricots 3 pounds for 25 cents,	" Prunes, " " "
Currants 3 pounds for 25 cents,	" Apricots, " " "
Fitted Plums 2 pounds for 25 cents.	

Do not forget that we carry the best brands of flour at lowest prices.

House-Cleaning Time----

Is now at hand and everybody is preparing to beautify their homes. Nothing changes the appearance of a room to greater advantage than pretty wall paper, handsome window shades, artistic room moulding and curtain poles. Our line stands pre-eminently at the head of anything in this section of the county. We are sure we can please you in quality and price if you will but take the time to see and ascertain prices on these goods. Contracts taken and satisfaction guaranteed.

F. J. Portz & Son,

No. 21 North Main Street, Shenandoah.

WILKINSON'S

Bargains Like These This Week.

Lace curtains at 69c 89c and 98c per pair, worth double. White bed spreads at 59c 87c 98c and upwards. Extra values in linen towels, 25c per pair or \$1.25 per dozen. Regular 40c cream table linens now 22c per yard. Chenille table covers 39c, formerly \$1.00; better at 50c, worth \$1.25. Large chenille covers 79c, reduced from \$1.50. Ladies' ribbed vests, 4 for 25 cents. Choice pickings on the remnant table. Ends of canton outing, prints, blue drillings, muslins, etc., at money saving prices; two thousand yards linen percale, wide and heavy, regular 12c kind for only 6 cents.

L. J. Wilkinson, 29 S. Main St.

New Carpets.

This week we offer a new line of choice patterns of Axminster and Moquette Carpets. A full stock of Velvet, Tapestry and Body Brussels. Also another lot of new Ingrains at 35 cents, exactly the same quality as we have been selling at 50 cents. Ingrain at 25 cents, reduced from 40 cents—All Wool Ingrains Extra Quality—A large stock of Rag Carpets, all prices and styles. New Moquette Rugs at low prices. Linoleums at reduced prices.

Specials in Canned Goods.

We received today another lot of Fancy Northern Sugar Corn, 4 for 25 cents. The best we have had at the price. Also another lot of Fancy Cold Packed Tomatoes, 4 for 25 cents. Fine Table Peaches, 2 cans 25 cents. California Pears, 2 for 25 cents. Alaska Salmon, 10 cents a can.

Today--A lot of Strictly Fresh-made Fancy Dairy Butter.

TO ARRIVE.

Three cars No. 1 Timothy Hay.
Two cars Choice White Oats.
One car Heavy Winter Wheat Middlings.
One car Yellow Corn.

At Keiter's.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETS.

Steps to Maintain the High School Standard.

THE PUPILS MUST BRUSH UP

Denominations of the New School Bonds and Interest Dates Fixed. New School Building Work Stopped.

A meeting of the School Board was held last evening to confirm the purchase of the Titman property, take action on the approaching graduating exercises, and general business. The directors in attendance were Messrs. Ogden, Trezise, Lee, Edwards, Hanna, Devitt, Hooks, Manley, Stanton, Morgan, Thomas, Conry and Baugh.

A communication from the joint committee on Fourth of July celebration, asking the board to appoint a delegate to cooperate with the committee in its work, was read and accepted and Secretary Trezise was appointed delegate.

The High school committee submitted a lengthy written report stating, among other things, the following:

"We received a full report of the standing of the present senior class of the High school and after a full consideration of the same we decided to recommend that diplomas be issued to the members of the said class, viz: James Creary, Cornelius Campbell, Emma Gunter, Gertie Mair, Allen Seltzer, Albert Beck, Harry O'Hearn, Tobias Hochlerner, Lillie Llewellyn, Annie Fox, Martin Devitt, Harry Gable, Katie Dougherty, Mary Burke, Mary Griffith, Frank Conry, Agnes Leckie, Annie Flaherty, Carrie Folmer, Maggie Shane, Lizzie North and Mary Mullenbarr.

"A motion was made and unanimously carried directing that hereafter no pupils shall be promoted from any class to a higher one in the High school whose work in examinations is not equal to or greater than 75 per cent., and that pupils who, on account of lack of ability, irregularity of attendance, or neglect of study, fail to keep up to this standard during three years shall remain four years in the school, or until they reach the required standard. It is not only very desirable, but very necessary to maintain such a standard in our High school and, from the reports of the superintendent and the High school principal, this action was deemed necessary."

Director Conry said the evening school committee would require an appropriation of \$1,200 for the next term and the matter was referred to the finance committee.

The building and repairs committee, through a written report handed in by Director Lee, stated that the sewer in the First ward complained of by Health Officer Miles had been attended to. The Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Company had made a proposition to put in a sewer large enough for all drainages (3x3 feet in size), provided all parties interested pay their respective shares of what such a sewer would cost if the company had not put it in. The company will take full charge of the sewer and be responsible for its good condition. The committee made an offer of \$30 as the School Board's share and it is awaiting the company's acceptance. The committee also reported that \$5,500 will be required to make the new school building at the corner of Jardin and Cherry streets, complete and that the property on North White street belonging to C. E. Titman had been purchased for \$5,000. It is 160x150 feet in size. It was recommended that the property be cleared of debris of the fire.

Director Edwards, of the finance committee, reported that the total liabilities of the board amount to \$60,572 and the total assets, including the \$105,000 valuation of school properties, are \$169,970.77.

It was decided that the \$10,000 worth of bonds to be issued for building purposes be in the following denominations: Six of \$500 each and seventy of \$100. The bonds are to be issued at 90 cents, but will be redeemable at the option of the board and bear interest at 4 per cent. The interest will be payable on July 1st and January 1st of each year.

It was stated that Architect Rilly had stopped work on the new school building because the chimney, from the roof up, a height of about twelve feet, had not been constructed with red cement and mortar, as required by the contract. The matter was referred to the building committee.

Ten-cent box Magic Paste Stove Polish or 5 cents. Ask your grocer. Pictures free.

Commencement Exercises.

The annual commencement exercises of the Shenandoah Grammar and High schools will be held in Ferguson's theatre on Thursday and Friday evenings, June 20th and 21st. The chart for the sale of reserved seats will be opened at the library room, West street building, at 9 a. m., on Saturday, June 15th. The public will enter at the main door. Admission, reserved seats, 15 cents; general admission, 10 cents. 12-3t

The best and most reliable plumbing in town is done by P. W. Bell, the plumber, corner of Main and Centre streets. Satisfaction guaranteed. 6-4-tis

Table Board. Table boards can be accommodated at Max Reese's, 30 1/2 East Centre street.

PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS.

New Buildings Going Up in Some Parts.

Considerable building of houses is going on in the town, but little of it is observed by the majority of the people in the town on account of the scenes of operations being on the outskirts and in alleys. There is little room left on any of the main streets for the carpenters and bricklayers to display themselves and their work. A busy part is at the southwestern outskirts. Here small dwellings are springing up in mushroom fashion and within another year this territory, which has been heretofore looked upon as a wilderness, will be so thickly populated as to require a division of the Fourth ward, or a separate election precinct.

In passing along South Jardin street one observes many evidences of visits by carpenters and painters. The improvements consist chiefly of extensions or additions to buildings. Like many other streets, it has no space for new buildings. Every foot of property is taken up. The character of this street is undergoing a rapid change. A few years ago it was lined by the residences of tolerably well-to-do mine workers and business men and their employes. It was a street distinct from the business centres. Now it is thickly studded with small stores and they are increasing in numbers. The hard times have forced many of the residents in this quarter to cast out nets to catch the stray pennies and many apartments which heretofore figured as easily furnished parlors are now lined with shelves bearing a limited amount of stock, principally groceries. One thing the people of this part of the town have successfully evaded and repulsed. That is the encroachment of the saloon. There was a passive sufferance of the opening of stores, but when an attempt was made to turn one of the houses into a saloon there was open rebellion and the fight was one of the most bitter before the last term of the Pottsville license court.

The only new building on this street is the school house in course of erection at the northwest corner of Jardin and Cherry streets, and to make room for it two large dwellings were removed. This was the only method by which a site for a school building could be secured in the Third ward. It comes high to be obliged to buy buildings in order to secure a site on which to erect a school house, but there is no alternative and this, if nothing else, stamps the movement of the School Board in snatching up the vacant Titman property on North White street as a wise one.

The work of rebuilding on the sites that were swept by fire two weeks ago is progressing, but not at the rate that characterized the rebuilding that followed the fire of November, 1883. The owners are not of the same enterprising spirit some of the former sufferers displayed. The two-story frame structure for Ploppert, the baker, is almost finished. Yellow boards look odd in the midst of the blackened wreck caused by the fire. Messrs. Carl and Heisenberger, owners of some of the other properties on Centre street side of the square that was swept by the fire, have cleaned up a good part of their sites, but neither the stone masons nor carpenters have yet made their appearance. The space within the standing walls of the Dornbach building is cleaned out and everything is in readiness for the builders. More progress has been made at this point than at any other in the square and the owner is evidently determined to get the new building up before the summer closes. The old walls, or at least the greater part of them, will be kept in service.

Thomas Bellis' new building on North Market street will soon be completed and when it is he will occupy it, vacating the house on the White street end of the property, of which he is also the owner. He will rent the latter.

Franey's big buildings on East Centre street, opposite the Lehigh Valley depot, are not going up with the rapidity that was foreshadowed. The work here has been very slow and the foundation walls are beginning to wear a lonesome appearance. When this property and the fire district are rebuilt, people returning to the town after an absence of several months, will hardly recognize East Centre street from the Lehigh Valley Railroad to Main street.

Dentistry.

Dr. J. Donaldson Ford, a highly successful dentist, of Girardville, will open a branch parlor at the residence of Max Reese, on East Centre street, within a few days.

The Fire Hose.

Max Reese is working hard to secure the contract to furnish the new hose for our fire department, as agent for the Mineralized Rubber Company, of New York. The firm manufactures what is claimed to be the best hose in the market and, everything being equal, the Borough Council should show a disposition to give home people the preference in such matters by giving Mr. Reese the contract.

New Dental Parlors.

Reitzel & Hartley, successful dental practitioners at Mahanoy City, will open branch parlors in the new Titman building on East Centre street this week.

Buy your wall paper and room moulding at John L. Hassler's. 4-11-2m

Buy Keystone flour. Be sure that the name LESSIG & BAER, Ashland, Pa., is printed on every sack. 1f

AN EXCITING RUNAWAY

Horse and Driver Have a Thrilling Experience.

SUSPENDED FROM A TRESTLE

The Horse Hung in the Air For a While and Then Almost Fell Upon the Badly Scared Driver.

A sensation was caused at the eastern outskirts of the town yesterday afternoon by a horse belonging to John Ploppert, the baker, running away and making an ineffectual attempt to scramble over a railroad trestle. The driver of the horses narrowly escaped being killed and the horse almost broke its neck by falling off the trestle.

The driver attempted to get the team across the track of the Lakeside Electric Railway near the Indian Ridge colliery and in doing so caused the wagon to upset. The horse remained quiet until the wagon was right when one of them stirred up, kicked itself free from the vehicle and harness and dashed away. It crossed over the lots and ran along the tracks of the P. & R. R. that leads to the Indian Ridge breaker until it reached the trestle that spans the creek which flows near Bridge street. The horse bounded upon the trestle, but failed to get over it. Its legs went down between the sills and the animal remained suspended in the air. Several men went to the assistance of the driver to get the horse out of its precarious situation and while they were at work it toppled over into the stream, almost falling upon the driver and barely escaping a broken neck. The horse was momentarily stunned, but the driver was so badly frightened over his experience that he failed to secure the animal and it got upon its feet again and ran down the shallow stream until it got back on Centre street, when it collided with a telegraph pole, with which the remnants of the harness became entangled and caused a halt until some men secured the frightened and jaded horse and turned it over to the bewildered driver.

THOUGHTS OF THE MOMENT

As Paragraphed by the Pen and Pencil Men.

There is more real religion in being good natured than in believing all the creeds that were concocted for the entanglement of human minds.

Some of our pious people forget that the minister wastes his sermon unless the church is properly ventilated. To compel a congregation to breathe bad air, and then expect them to be devout, is a good deal like asking a man to look pleasant when you run into him with a bicycle.

There are strong probabilities that Gabriel will be requested to postpone his trumpet solo in order that our water works may get in operation before time shall be no more.

All the papers are in joyous acclaim over the adjournment of the Pennsylvania Legislature. A gentleman remarked the other day that about one-fourth of the members were so thoroughly disgusted that they will not stand for a candidacy again.

Tomorrow is supposed to be the anniversary of the birthday of the American flag. Whether it is or not, there ought to be a liberal display of bunting all over the town in honor of the event. "Old Glory" ought to be, according to recent calculations, about 118 years old. May it continue to wave over "the land of the free and the home of the brave" until time shall be no more.

A prominent fruit dealer informed us yesterday that in order to establish a demand for their oranges, the California growers have been sending to the eastern markets hundreds of car loads of oranges and selling them at prices which, if they do not prove a positive loss, at least realize for them no profit. This course was pursued in view of the fact that it will be several years before Florida can again become a competitor in our markets.

The new compulsory education law requires that every child in the Commonwealth between the ages of 8 and 13 years shall attend for at least 16 weeks in each year a school in which the common English branches are taught. Only such children shall be exempted from these provisions as are certified by parents or guardians to be mentally or physically incapacitated, or who live two miles from a public school, or who are being otherwise instructed in the common branches and are so certified by the principal of a school. A fine of \$2 is provided for the first offense of any one against the law, and \$5 for each succeeding offense. An appeal to the court of quarter sessions is allowed to the negligent parents or guardians. Boards of school directors or controllers are authorized to appoint truant officers to better enforce attendance at school.

"Suicide!" said the duffy girl. "I wouldn't commit suicide if it were the last act of my life."

THE BUSY STORE

116 and 118 North Main St.

Window Shades,

With Spring roller and fringe 19 cents or 6 for \$1.00 all who were left on first lot, about 2 weeks ago, will have another opportunity to secure them at such reasonable prices.

Corded Wash Silks,

In all coloring. The sale is still on at 32 1/2 cents. These goods are all perfect. We don't wish you to entertain the idea because they are sold at 32 1/2 cents there is something wrong. We guarantee them all.

Ladies' Bonnets.

A small lot of city made bonnets we offer to close out at 10 cents. The goods are all right and neatly made.

Ladies' Waists.

Now there are only a few left. You may have them at your own price! They must be closed out. Watch for the announcement of stocking sale.

Max Schmidt.

Spartans Won Again.

The third of the series of base ball games between the Spartans and Students was decided at the Trotting park yesterday afternoon before 500 spectators. C. H. Hagenbuch undertook the arduous task of umpiring the contest. It was 3:30 when the game was called. Kirlin's work at short and his batting and base running were features of the game. The work of Scheily at center for the Students was poor and his throwing very yellow. The work of Hamilton and Reilly for the Spartans was very good and Scanlan made his base running a feature. The Spartans have won two out of three games. Score:

STUDENTS.	R	H	O	A	E
Kirlin, ss.....	5	1	3	0	
J. Monaghan, lb.....	2	11	0	1	
M. Grubler, 3b.....	2	1	2	3	
J. Brennan, 2b.....	3	3	2	3	
P. Monaghan, p.....	4	3	2	5	0
R. Glover, c.....	2	6	1	0	
Reilly, cf.....	1	5	1	2	1
Clouser, lf.....	1	0	1	0	0
J. Scheily, of.....	1	1	0	3	
Grant, p.....	0	0	0	1	
Total.....	26	21	27	15	12

SPARTANS.	R	H	O	A	E
Clery, c.....	4	1	5	3	0
Carry, rf.....	3	1	1	5	
Foltz, cf.....	5	4	3	1	0
Hamilton, lb.....	2	4	14	1	1
Honck, p.....	4	5	2	2	2
D. Reilly, ss.....	3	0	3	3	2
G. Scheily, lf.....	2	1	1	0	0
Martin, 3b.....	3	1	2	5	
Scanlan, 2b.....	5	1	0	0	0
Total.....	31	29	27	14	11

When you want good roofing, plumbing, gas fitting, or general tinmithing done call on E. F. Gallagher, 18 West Centre street. Dealer in stoves 3-4-tf

A Wedding.

Endolph Swank, formerly a resident of Shenandoah and now of Bluefield, West Virginia, and Miss Lizzie A. Llewellyn were married last evening at the residence of the bride's parents on East Coal street, by Rev. R. M. Lichtenwainer, pastor of the United Evangelical church. The ceremony was private and only immediate friends of the parties were in attendance. There was a collation after the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Swank will remain here for a week and then leave for their home in West Virginia.

For pure blood use Fowler's Sarsaparilla.

Elected Principal.

Prof. William N. Ehrhart, formerly principal of the public schools of this town and lately principal of the school of Cressona, has been elected to the principalship of the Mahanoy City schools.

Try Scheider's Homemade Bread and Cakes. 23 East Coal street. 4-17-1m

Parlor Suites Cheap.

To clean out my stock of parlor suites I offer about a half dozen at a cut of 50 per cent. J. J. FRANEY.

BUTTER

Is cheap now, and we have it as cheap as the cheapest; and what is more we have it as good as the best, at

GRAF'S

122 NORTH JARDIN STREET.