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READY MADE SHEETS AND PILLOW CASES.

Our sheets are all 2 1/2 yards long, with 2 in. hem at the top; prices 50c. to 75c. each. Well-made pillow and bolster cases for 8, 10, 12 1/2, 15, 18 and 25c. each. Men's fine white shirts, first-class in every way, only 35c. each—better than 50c. kind of other stores; Ladies' ribbed vests, all sizes, 7c. each, or 4 for 25c. Every department is up to date in prices and quality. Come and see us for bargains.

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FINE GROCERS,

No. 122 North Main Street, Shenandoah, Pa.

Special Sale of Oil Cloths, Preserving Jars and Jelly Glasses.

Best qualities of OIL CLOTHS from 22 to 85 cents per yard. All the latest patterns. Mason's preserving jars at 80 cents a dozen. Jelly glasses with tin lids at the lowest possible prices. Do not forget that we carry the best brands of flour at lowest prices.

REMEMBER

That we carry the finest and cheapest line of heavy and shell BARGLASSWARE in the county. All sizes constantly in stock.

Also a large line of beautiful table glassware, see our line.

F. J. Portz & Son,

No. 21 North Main Street, Shenandoah, Pa.

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.

CUT IN WATER RENTS

The Borough Council Throws Down the Gauntlet.

OLD RATES TO BE CUT HALF

The Pipe Line Has Been Accepted and the Work of Making Connections Will Proceed at Once—Important Meeting.

A very important meeting of the Borough Council was held last evening. The town pipe line of the public water works was formally accepted from the contractors, the plans for connections were arranged, rates for water rents were fixed and other matters bearing upon the operation of the plant were adjusted. A quorum of Councilmen was not secured until after nine o'clock and the delay in getting together prolonged the meeting until midnight, but a good night's work was done and water should be distributed soon. The meeting may be said to be the inauguration of the public water works. Mr. Gable, chairman of the water committee read a lengthy report on the official test of the pipes and containing many important recommendations, which were acted upon serially. The report on the test of the pipes was substantially as already published and stated, "Mr. Quinn, after making the test, wanted to know if it was satisfactory and wanted the pipes accepted. As chairman, I told him it was not a satisfactory test, to which he replied that he thought it was a fair test, as all the pressure that could be had by water pressure was on and it was the only test specified in the contract. We also requested him to leave water in the town for at least two days, which was done, and all leaks have been repaired satisfactory to your committee. While your committee has no recommendation to offer in regards to accepting the pipe, we do think the best way, in order to get to work and give the people the water, is to accept the same." During a lengthy debate on the matter question was raised as to the style of thread in the fire plugs and finally a motion to accept a pipe was carried with the provision that Quinn & Kerns be requested to make the thread of standard style if it should be found otherwise. Mr. Gable then read the committee's report on connections, setting forth that the committee asked power to solicit bids to have the connections made by contract, "the borough to pay for digging and for the corporations to make connections, and not more than two feet of lead pipe to be used for the connections, the property owners to pay where galvanized pipes are used and for any additional pipe required. The borough to pay for not more than six (6) feet of digging in length, at any one connection. Any more required is to be done and paid for by the property holder. The time for the borough to make the connections will cease on the first of October, 1895. After the expiration of said time the property owners are to make connections at their own expense." This part of the report was also adopted and Mr. Kerns moved that the committee prepare specifications for bids to be advertised for at once, the bids to be opened at a meeting of Council to be held on the 18th inst. Mr. Gable recommended that three connections of six feet each be made for the people at Turkey Run, that the superintendent take the names of people who want water and collect the rent for same in advance, and that the parties having charge of the hydrants be supplied with the names of people entitled to water. These recommendations were also adopted. It was also decided that the connections at Turkey Run be made first. It was also recommended that all work on the connections be done by taxpayers of the borough, which was adopted after some discussion. Mr. Gable said he didn't believe in hiring dago labor. The collieries are only working three days a week and there are plenty men in town who are competent and willing to do the work. Almost all the \$145,000 the works have cost went to dago labor, he said, and he didn't believe in allowing any more to go that way. It was decided that this labor provision be made part of the contract and the proposal advertisement. Mr. Gable also reported that the committee recommended that 25 cents per family be charged for water and all other consumption be charged for in accordance with one half the rates now charged by the old water company. This recommendation was also adopted, but not until after a lengthy discussion. Mr. D. R. James thought the reduction of rates a dangerous move. The old water company duplicate, he said, does not amount to more than \$22,000, and to cut that in half would make the revenue less than the running expenses of the plant. Mr. Gable said the tax mills levied were for the purpose of paying the interest on the bonds and one-third of the principal annually. The water rents would pay the running expenses. The committee estimated the expense of running the plant at from \$4,000 to \$5,000 per annum and the revenue from rents at from \$12,000 to \$16,000. The calculation of rents

was made on a basis of 2,000 connections, while in fact there are 3,000, so that a margin of 1,000 is left. Mr. D. R. James said the cost of coal per year, would be more than the committee's expense estimate and asked, "in case the revenue does not meet the expense, where will Council get the money to pay the interest? Suppose money had to be taken from the taxes to pay expenses?" Borough Solicitor Pomeroy took the floor and said: "Suppose the revenue from the borough plant does not meet the expense—suppose it is absorbed by the expenses of the plant and you run into debt? You cannot have any more mills unless you hold another election, but the deficit can be made up out of the ordinary revenue of the borough, whether it comes from the license money, or the tax money; but that will take away some money that you might devote to the streets and other purposes. Besides that the special tax was imposed for a two-fold purpose. These five mills are very little more than sufficient to pay the interest upon the bonded indebtedness and the amount of money we are supposed to set aside each year to pay one-third of the bonds, so that they will be paid off in thirty years. If we keep up the five mills tax each year we will save that much interest and there will be that much less principal to meet. Each year, while the revenue from mills will remain the same, the amount of money you have to raise to pay interest will run smaller. "Another question. The old water company proposes to reduce their water rent to just as low a figure as they can. I believe the company has made dividends as high as 80 per cent., but that was upon the original investment. The par value of the stock is \$10. All they paid in was \$3.25, so that the 80 per cent. was on the \$3.25. There has been a mistaken impression about this. The stock of the company has increased because the borough has increased. It has increased as the land has increased. You must take that into consideration. If we would undertake to hold on to the same rates the old water company would reduce its rates and there are a large number of people who will take water from the old company because it will be cheaper. If you reduce your water rent one-half, who gets the benefit? The landlord does. He won't reduce my rent, for instance, yet I am paying my tax rate. There is no doubt real estate pays a large proportion of the taxes, but there are a great many men who don't own any real estate, and yet pay tax indirectly." Mr. Haad said there was a wrong impression abroad. "These works are not a new water company, but belong to the people." Ex-Councilman Lamb was permitted to speak and said, "The water company claims that the property owners will have to give thirty days notice before breaking connections. That is on our receipts. Does that provision form part of the contract between the people and the company?" Mr. Pomeroy: "That is a contract between the water company and the consumer with which we have nothing to do." Mr. Lamb: "You intend to advertise for bids and it is a question whether the consumer can part with the connections without giving the 30 days notice." Mr. Pomeroy: "The consumers of the old water company are liable to the company for any regulations they may have made for the conduct of their business." Mr. Gable: "All they can do is to charge for one month after they give notice." Chief Burgess Burns asked who would be responsible for the relaying of pavements distributed by making the connections and was told that the property-holders will be responsible for any digging over six feet in length for each connection. Mr. Gable then read the final recommendation of the committee to the effect that the connections will not be larger than one-half inch at the rates offered. All other connections will be charged according to increase per quarter inch. After President McGuire instructed the water committee to consider the advisability of hiring an expert civil engineer to give testimony in the Torbert law suit Council adjourned.

Pure blood and good digestion are an insurance against disease and suffering. Burdock Blood Bitters keeps the blood pure, the digestion perfect. Prices Speak Louder Than Words. Our French hairbrush underwear is not all sold yet. In order to close out our summer stock to prepare for fall we will sell them at 85 cents a suit, and also a nice line at 50 cents a suit. And the only place to get a fashionable hat is at Max Levit's Up-to-date hat and gents' furnishing store, 15 East Centre street, Titman's new Building. 7-12-95

Watson House Free Lunch. Oyster pie tonight. Nice lunch tomorrow morning. Babies made happy with Laks' Syrup. Boarders Wanted. Two permanent boarders wanted. Apply at 215 North Main street. The only baby medicine—Laks' Syrup. Good Offer. Attention is called to the advertisement offering two valuable properties on White street for sale. A judicious reticence is hard to learn, but it is one of the greatest lessons of life.

TWO MEN WERE BURNED

Another Explosion at the Shenandoah Powder Mill.

NOT AS BAD AS THE FIRST.

The Men Escaped Dangerous Injuries. Only Part of the Mill Was Damaged—Work Will be Resumed Tomorrow.

Another explosion has taken place at the mill of the Shenandoah Powder Company in the Catawissa valley, but fortunately it did not prove as disastrous as the first. The mill was started up yesterday for the first time after being rebuilt and everything worked satisfactory. Messrs. John Roberts, F. C. Reese and Daniel Beden, who constitute the company, spent several hours in watching the operations and shortly after three o'clock in the afternoon they started for their homes in this town, leaving Alexander Lindenmuth, the powder maker, and Albert Lindenmuth, his brother and assistant, in charge. There were about twenty-two kegs of powder in the pan and the men had made arrangements to shut down for the night when the explosion occurred. It was about 3:45 o'clock. The force of the explosion blew a side out of the mill and raised a part of the roof, but the rest of the mill remained intact. The two workmen were burned on the neck, arms and back, but not dangerously. They were walking from the pan when the explosion took place. It is surprising that they were not more seriously injured. The proprietors of the mill were ascending the Catawissa Valley side of the mountain on their way home when they saw the volume of smoke caused by the explosion ascend above the mill. They drove back to the place and found the two injured men, who were sent to their homes in Ringtown. The cause of the explosion is as mysterious as the cause of the first one, although there were two men at the mill this time and no one was about on the previous occasion. The Lindenmuths say all the machinery was stopped and they had even poured water on the charge. They say the powder exploded like a lot of oil. The damage to the mill will not exceed \$30. The owners have commenced repairs and will have operations started again tomorrow morning. When you want good roofing, plumbing gas fitting, or general tin-smithing done call on E. F. Gallagher, 18 West Centre street. Dealer in stoves 3-4-1f

An Excellent Showing. The reports of 451 camps of the P. O. S. of A., filed at the Philadelphia headquarters, for the past six months show that 289 gained 5,248 members, 142 show a loss of 1,190, and 29 report neither loss nor gain. This leaves a net gain of 4,052 and the present membership is 51,665, with 299 camps still to report. This is a most excellent showing considering the hard times and the state officers, one of whom is S. L. Brown, of town, the State Vice President, are to be highly complimented. Hives are not dangerous to life, but they are a prolific breeder of misery and profligacy. Doan's Ointment gives instant relief, even in the worst cases of this and other exasperating diseases of the skin.

A "Y" Picnic. The Y. W. C. T. U., of Mahanoy City, will picnic at High Point park tomorrow afternoon and the "Y" of town has been invited to participate. Quite a number of the members and their friends will avail themselves of the opportunity to spend a day with their sisters of the white ribbon. The Lakeside Electric Railway leads direct to the grounds. Have your carpets, feathers and mattresses cleaned by the Steam Renovating Co., 32 East Coal street. 4-17-3m

Temporarily Disabled. Owing to a break in the washery at Fay's steam laundry the proprietor has been obliged to stop taking orders for this week, but all orders in will be filled, as arrangements have been made to have the work done at the Mahanoy City laundry.

Schiffly House. Clam chowder for free lunch tonight. Spring chicken. Hard and soft shell crabs.

Special Sale Tomorrow. 200 No. 9 tin washboilers will be sold tomorrow from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m. for 39 cents, worth 75 cents, at the Pittsburg Novelty Store, 25 West Centre street. Do not miss this opportunity. 7-12-11

Kirlin's compound blackberry cordial is the best. It's the Leader. Of all the beers sold in Shenandoah Columbia Lager Beer is the best. It is strictly pure and for family use excels all others in the market. Go to Malley's for ladies' silver belt buckles, 16 North Main street.

Give teething children Laks' soothing syrup.

And told every man you met that you had a load of wood to sell, and every man you met would in turn tell every man he met that you had a load of wood to sell. It would in consequence of this become pretty well known that you had a load of wood to sell, and directly you would not have any load of wood to sell. We have not got a load of wood to sell, but we have loads of groceries to sell and we are going to tell it to every body who reads this paper, and when these are gone we will get more.

IF YOU HAD A LOAD OF WOOD TO SELL TO EVERYBODY WHO READS THIS PAPER, AND WHEN THESE ARE GONE WE WILL GET MORE.

GRAF'S

122 North Jardin Street.

THE BUSY STORE

116 and 118 North Main St.

OUR MUSLIN UNDERWEAR

Sale still continues. We added this week a number of other, garments, equal in quality—and reduced in price.

LADIES NIGHT GOWNS.

An extra number with tucked yoke, 50c. Another with feather stitch braiding 50c. Another with ruffles, 50c.

LADIES DRAWERS.

The best value you ever saw, with Embroidery, 50c. LADIES SKIRTS. In price none to equal them. MUSLIN REMNANTS. 8c. Quality 5c.

Our odd number of pieces of best sateen as well as demitees and lawns, will be sold at a price you never saw them sold at 8 1/2

Look in our window.

Max Schmidt.

PERSONAL.

T. H. Snyder, the painter and paper hanger, took a business trip to Mt. Carmel today.

Miss Laura Jacobs, of Kolmar, Germany, arrived in town yesterday on a visit to her sister, Mrs. Ellis F. Supowitz, and her cousin, Mrs. M. Moses.

John J. Slattery made a business trip to Philadelphia today.

Mrs. F. R. Ketchner, of Nanticoke, is visiting Mrs. J. W. Erwin, of South Jardin street.

Louis Goldin has returned from Atlantic City. His family will remain there for several weeks.

Mrs. J. J. Price spent yesterday as the guest of Pottsville friends.

Adolph Prince and son, of Pottsville, visited friends in town yesterday.

P. J. Ferguson made a business trip to Pottsville today.

C. J. Quinn spent today at the county seat.

Mrs. Milton Boyer visited friends at Pottsville today.

William Neisewender returned from his western trip yesterday with a car load of fine horses.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh J. O'Hara celebrated the first anniversary of their marriage by giving a reception to a number of friends last evening.

Joseph Malley, of Tamagna, is visiting friends in town.

J. K. P. Scheffly spent yesterday fishing at Lakeside.

Misses Bertha and Emma White attended the funeral of their uncle, Adaloud today.

George Schoener made a flying visit to Juniata.

Miss Mary Danks is home from St. Clair to spend the summer with her mother, on South West street.

Mrs. Louisa Schurz and daughter, Retta, are visiting relatives at Pottsville.

W. S. Britton, of Grandville, district president of the P. O. S. of A., was in town last evening and installed the officers of Camp 295.

An unfailing specific for cholera morbus, cholera infantum, diarrhoea and all those other dangerous diseases incident to the summer season is found in Dr. Fowler's Ext. of Wild Strawberry.