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invoices of these goods and shall continue until the close of the season to keep the stock up to the high standard it has maintained since the opening. We handle Butterick's paper patterns. Monthly style sheet given away free.

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To see artistic features, the ladies never fail to admire our stock of fancy goods. The latest that we have added to our stock is a lot of Satin-Face, All-Silk Ribbons, in three widths at the one price of

23 CENTS PER YARD,
3-8, 3-4 and 4-1/2 inches wide, in several shadings. No more to be had at this figure.

The low prices at which we offered, the past few days, CHE-NILLE TABLE COVERS caused our stock to be sold out. We received this morning another stock of the same goods which we will sell at a reduced price from our former.

4-4 for 36c. 6-4 for 75c. 8-4 for \$1.73.
Call quick, as we will not have any more at these prices.

MORGAN'S BAZAR, 9 W. Centre St.

The OLD RELIABLE Dry Goods and Carpet Store,
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Latest Styles and Materials in Ladies', Misses' and Children's

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All New Novelties in Dress Goods.
Elegant line of Blankets and Comforts, at prices unheard of before.

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COFFEE AND TEA



Man, supplied with reasoning and discerning powers, may improve his condition by the exercise of these faculties. This can be applied with very good effect in the purchase of Coffees and Teas. A good cup of Coffee depends not only on the making—but the brand of Coffee, the grade, the roasting and preparation are very important factors. We feel confident that we can meet all those requirements. A delicious cup of Coffee is a certainty if you use

Our Fancy Java, or our Fancy Blended Coffee.

In regard to Tea, we occupy a front rank, all our Teas being very carefully selected by competent judges, and a trial order will convince you that we can please the most fastidious customers. We offer nothing but good grades that are noted for quality, color and flavor, and they are sold at popular prices

At **KEITER'S.**

IT'S WORSE THAN SLAVERY

The Existence of Native Africans in the Congo Free State.

THE STATEMENT OF A MISSIONARY

A System of Robbery and Extortion Fostered by Minor Officials Which Causes Frequent Outbreaks on the Part of the Savage Tribes.

LONDON, Nov. 13.—The Associated Press has received a statement confirming the reports of the terrible condition of affairs in the Congo Free State from an American missionary who has just returned to Europe. The missionary in question, the Rev. John B. Murphy, is on the staff of the American Baptist Missionary Union. He has worked in the Congo for nine years, and returned to Antwerp recently by the steamer Leopoldville. His last station was Equatorville, right in the center of the Congo Free State. He is the last arrival from there. He says:

"The seat of the government of the Congo Free State is at Leopoldville, which is fifty miles from the coast and 250 from Stanley Pool, which ought to be the real center. It takes four weeks to communicate between these two places, hence it becomes almost impossible for the government to manage his vast and unwieldy territory, and consequently the commissaires, or petty governors of the interior districts, have almost unlimited power. The officers of the state are young and inexperienced. They do not come out as colonists to develop the country, but in order that they may receive quick promotion, the Congo decoration, and above all, to get money. Of course, there are exceptions, but it is only the few who have an interest in the country and the well being of the people."

"It has been said by some trader that the king of the Congo Free State is the largest slaveholder in the dominions, and this is true, although the officers, by a play on words, conceal the facts by calling them liberated slaves. I have been told by naval and other officers of the state that a certain sum per head is paid by the government to the commissaires of the districts from which the slaves are received and to the naval officers who bring such slaves into camp. Fifty per cent of these wretches are in a starving condition."

"A word about the rubber and ivory trading, or rather plundering of the state. The officials have placed 'posts' in all the towns upon the river banks, and in most of the inland towns. Each post is commanded by a black corporal and a company of soldiers belonging to a hostile tribe, armed with European guns, so that the natives are terrorized by their presence. These soldiers are commanded to stop every canoe that passes the river post. The natives try to pass without being noticed. The soldiers seize their canoes and confiscate their contents. If the natives should muster up courage enough to call, then they are forced to sell their ivory or whatever their canoe contains at the soldiers' own price. I have seen these things and have remonstrated with the state for years, but got no satisfaction."

"The rubber question in our district is, however, by far the most pressing. It has reduced the people to a state of desperation. It is collected by force. The soldiers drive the people into the bush, and if they will not go they shoot them, and their left hands are cut off and taken to the commissaires as trophies. The soldiers do not care who they shoot down, and they often shoot poor helpless women and harmless children. Their hands—the hands of men, women and children—are placed in rows before the commissaire, who counts them to see that the soldiers have not wasted their cartridges."

"I cannot tell how many wars this question has caused, but I will tell of one. In November, 1894, they had a great fight on the Bostir, because the people refused to give rubber, and I am told upon the authority of a state officer that 1,800 people were killed in the fight. The commissaire is paid a commission of about one penny a pound upon all the rubber he gets. It is therefore to his interest to get as much as he can, and the plants are being ruined by his hasty proceedings."

"In regard to the misgovernment of the state. The white officers do not know the language of the people that they govern, and trust too much to their native soldiers, who are, as a rule, men belonging to a hostile tribe, whose chief aim in life is to plunder."

"Upon one occasion, in the month of November, 1894, some soldiers ran away from the state steamer. It was said they went to the town of Bompanza. The state sent a messenger telling the chief of the town to give them up. He answered that he could not, as they were not there and had not been there. The state sent the same messenger a second time, saying: 'Come to me at once or war in the morning.' The messenger returned to his master without delivering the message, saying the chief sent back a defiant answer. In the morning he sent down two canoes. The old chief went out to meet them as a friend, but was wounded, his wife killed before his eyes, and her head cut off in order that they might possess the brass necklace which she wore. Twenty-four of his people were also killed."

"Again, the people of Lake Muntumba had run away on account of the cruelty of the state. Being anxious to get these people back they sent a party of soldiers, in charge of a colored corporal, to treat with them. On the way they met a canoe containing seven of them and on some paltry pretext made the people land, shot them, cut off their hands and took them to the commissaire. The Muntumba people complained to the missionary at Irebon. He found that one of the seven was a little girl who was not quite dead. He rescued the child and she lives today, the stump of her handless arm being a witness against the horrible practice."

Watson House Free Lunch.
Sour krait and pork to-night.
Nice hot lunch to-morrow morning.
For a good photograph go to Billinger Bros., West Lloyd street.

MISS RAMAGE'S APPOINTMENT.

Her Many Friends Will be Pleased to Know She Has Secured a School.

The many friends of Miss Jeannette H. Ramage, who resigned her position here in the public schools as teacher of music, will be pleased to know that she has been successful in securing an appointment in the schools of Cranston, Rhode Island.

At the time she made application Miss Ramage was engaged unconditionally to teach, but subsequently was required to stand an examination which she failed to pass. This failure, it is claimed, was due to her recent illness, being the victim of a mental and physical collapse. In her behalf it was contended that her suspension was illegal, that the state law does not compel teachers to take an examination, that the committee had no power to nullify a contract, and further that Miss Ramage, being a graduate of a high school and two normal schools, had been in a normal condition at the time, would have passed the examination.

An appeal was taken to the state superintendent, and that official sustained it and restored Miss Ramage to her position as teacher. From Providence exchanges, it appears that the case has caused considerable interest, and the sentiment of the people was with Miss Ramage.

At Breen's Cafe.
Purée of pea soup will be served free to all patrons to-night.
Hot lunch served every morning.
Meals served at all hours.

THE POLICE RECORD.

Some of the Cases Before the Justices Saturday and Last Night.

During a fight Saturday night between a crowd of Lithuanians and Hungarians in the First ward, Saturday night, one Anthony Wurschawicz was struck on the forehead with a beer glass. The blow shattered the glass and split the bone above the right eye. Dr. M. S. Kistler took a piece of glass about an inch long from the wound. Constable Gibbon made an ineffectual attempt to arrest the assailant.

Enoch Grogolis was put under \$300 bail by Justice Toney for smashing the doors and windows of Carl Witkulis' saloon, on East Centre street, Saturday night.

Mike Hobrow was put under \$300 bail on a charge of drunkenness and nuisance preferred by John Smith, and Hobrow had Smith put under bail for assault and battery.

When Chief of Police Tosh went to arrest a man for creating a disturbance on Oak street Saturday night John Galvin, of Gilberton, interfered. Tosh took Galvin into custody and the other man escaped. Galvin paid fine and costs to Justice Williams.

Store News for Bargain Seekers.
Can you beat this? A fortunate purchase direct from the makers enables us to offer the best grades of Chenille Table Covers at special low prices. The lot comprises all the newest colorings in the richest dyes. Here are the prices:

One yard square, now 30c.
One and one-half yards square, 70c.
Two yards square, \$1.75.
Our prices set the pace for other stores to imitate.

L. J. WILKINSON.

Arrested at Wetherly.
Mathias Miller, a former resident of this town who has been wanted by the police since last April, on oath of Emma Windish, of Yatesville, was arrested at Wetherly on Saturday by Detective Amour. He was brought to town and this morning Constable Phillips took him to Pottsville. Miller offered to settle the case if Amour would pay the costs and await their return, when he would pay him in installments.

Big bargains in woolen underwear at MAX LEVIT'S, 15 East Centre street.

Obituary.
Mrs. Mary Martin, wife of Patrick Martin and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Carr died on Saturday at her residence, 17 South White street, after an illness of two weeks. The deceased is survived by four children. The funeral will take place at 9:30 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Which Was Best.
"Which will you have?" the waiter asked. While the different brands before him stood, He thought a moment and then he said, "Give me 'Columbia,' which I know is good."

Church Dedication.
The services attending the dedication of the United Evangelical church, recently erected at Ringtown, were largely attended yesterday, many persons from this town being present. Presiding Elder H. W. Buck conducted the services, assisted by other divines of that denomination.

Kendrick House Free Lunch.
Vegetable soup to-night.

She Shoots Herself.
Considerable excitement was occasioned at Ashland Saturday evening by Mrs. Henry Myers, a widow, committing suicide at her home on Chestnut street, between 11th and 12th streets. The woman fired three shots, the bullets entering her head, and she died a few minutes after. The cause of the rash deed is not known.

Schultz House.
Oysters on toast to-night.
Finest lobsters in town.
Chicken soup. Little neck clams.
Rappahannock oysters.
Ham. Sardines. Swiss cheese.
Fish cakes. Oysters in every style.

Postmaster to Wed.
One of the fashionable events in Mahanoy City society will be the marriage of Postmaster T. C. O'Connor and Miss Frances Rastin, which is to take place at 8 o'clock church, that town, on next Tuesday.

Maloy, the Jeweler, alterations, watches and jewelry, 16 North Main street.

THE BAPTIST CONFERENCE

Ministers and Delegates From Many Places in Attendance.

WORK AT SATURDAY'S SESSION!

Visiting Clergymen Conducted Three Services in the Welsh Baptist Church Yesterday—Six Powerful Sermons Were Delivered.

The semi-annual conference of the North-eastern Baptist Association closed in the First Baptist Church, corner of Oak and West streets, last evening. The conference opened at three o'clock Saturday afternoon with the following officers in their places: President, Rev. E. Edwards, Minersville; Vice President, Lemuel Phillips, Plymouth; Secretary, Rev. W. F. Davis, Scranton; Treasurer, Evan M. Rowlands, Wilkesbarre.

The following delegates were in attendance: John Phillips, Ashland; L. Phillips, Owen Mogan and Hon. Daniel Jesso, Plymouth; E. M. Rowlands and Rev. Edward Jenkins, Wilkesbarre; W. E. Jones and R. Thomas, Minersville; B. Hughes and J. J. Evans, Hyde Park; L. N. Roberts, Providence; Evan Jones and E. Edwards, Shenandoah; Rev. B. Jones, Wisconsin; T. J. Edwards, Mt. Carmel.

The clergymen in attendance were Rev. E. Edwards, Minersville; W. S. Jones and W. F. Davis, Scranton; J. M. Lloyd, Parsons; J. L. Lloyd and Edward Jenkins, Wilkesbarre; J. E. Davis, Plymouth; R. E. Jones, Wisconsin; and H. C. Williams, Ashland.

Considerable work was done at the short conference held Saturday afternoon bearing upon the interests of the churches throughout the conference.

A new church is to be organized at Carbon-dale.

The trustees transacted some important work connected with some property in the possession of the conference.

The missionary committee reported excellent work during the past six months.

Saturday evening a public meeting was conducted at the church by Rev. D. Ivor Evans, the very popular pastor. Rev. B. E. Jones, of Wisconsin, had charge of the devotional exercises, Rev. J. M. Lloyd preached in English and Rev. Edward Jenkins in Welsh. Rev. Lloyd's subject was "The Judgment," and Rev. Jenkins' "The Healing of the Syrophenician Daughter."

Three preaching services were held yesterday and very powerful sermons were delivered in English and Welsh. In the morning Rev. W. F. Davis preached on "What Shall I do?" and Rev. W. S. Jones on "The Ethical Side of the Atonement." In the afternoon Rev. E. Edwards preached a sermon on "The Pentecostal Prayer Meeting" and Rev. J. T. Lloyd on "The Blessings of Church." Last evening Rev. W. S. Jones and H. C. Williams preached. All the sermons were much enjoyed by very large congregations, and the attendance throughout the conference was very gratifying. The ministers and delegates were entertained by members of the church during their visit.

It was decided to hold the next session of the conference at Scranton in May, 1896.

Grand Band Masquerade Ball.
Grand masquerade ball by the Grand Band, Robbins' hall, Dec. 2nd. Event of the season.

TIME TABLE CHANGES.
A New Afternoon Train on the Lehigh Valley Railroad.

A new time table went into effect on the Lehigh Valley railroad yesterday. The miners train that left here for Delano and way points at 5:50 a. m. now leaves at 5:45. The train that has been leaving town at 2:57 p. m. is still running with connections for Scranton and Buffalo, but does not make connections for New York or Philadelphia. A new train has been put on. It leaves at 4:05 p. m. and makes the connections that have been taken off the 2:57. Passengers reach Philadelphia at 8:11 p. m. Passengers taking the 4:05 will reach New York and Philadelphia at the same time that the 2:57 train enabled them to reach those points.

The train that left here on Sundays at 2:55 p. m. for Hazleton and Mauch Chunk now leaves at 2:30 p. m.

The train that arrived here at 6:35 p. m. on Sundays from New York and Philadelphia and main line points, now arrives at 7:40 p. m. and goes back to Delano as a regular train at 7:40, by way of Mahanoy City. This gives an additional Sunday train to the latter point.

Improve Your Gas Light.
Wilkinson's dry goods store is illuminated with the wonderful Welsbach gas burners. Mr. Wilkinson is the agent for Shenandoah and will give any information to consumers desiring to use this new and economical light. For terms, etc., apply to

L. J. WILKINSON.

Best plumbing is done by P. W. Bell.

The Boy Tramps.
The two boys who left their homes in Mahanoy City in company with a tramp, an account of which appeared in these columns, were taken into custody at Lebanon. The boys were Richard Phillips and John Irtan, aged 15 years, and they have returned home in company with the former's father. The tramp induced the boys to accompany him.

Contract Awarded.
Owen B. Williams has been awarded the contract for sinking the shaft at the Kohinoor colliery below the Holmes vein, to make the shaft ready for a fan and hoisting water.

Go and try Womer's shoe store, on North Main street, for footwear. The cheapest and best place in town. 11-7-95

THE BUSY STORE

116 and 118 North Main Street.

FACTS FOR THIS WEEK.

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR.
DRAWERS, a good heavy Muslin, fine locks—One inch mixed every 29c
FINE MUSLIN DRAWERS, an extra good Muslin, tucked, with very good embroidery—our price now 44c
HILL MUSLIN DRAWERS with handsome embroidery 49c

ALL EXTRA VALUE.

STAMPED LINENS.
We call your special attention to this class of goods. The handsomest line at the lowest price, 18x72 inch Scarf, all fringe, worth 50c. 38c

18x72 inch scarf, nice border with open work for ribbon. 44c

18x72 scarf, open drawing work, worth 65c. 49c

NOTIONS AT 4c EACH.
A good quality Napkin, fringe with red border 4c

Good assortment of lace 4, 5 and 6 inches wide, per yard 4c

CHILDREN'S BIDS—Not the common Honey Comb Bid, but a fine quality well stitched Bid 4c

A lot of Ladies' Collars and Cuffs, your choice 4c

P. N. Corsets Best in Fit and Wear!
MAX SCHMIDT.

LIVELY BUSINESS HERE.
Special Sale of Overcoats at the Mammoth Clothing House.

Thousands of people will ask themselves: "Where shall I buy my overcoat?" Why, at Goldin's. It will pay you to call in and see our display of overcoats at specially low prices which will reap you harvests in bargains. At the

MAMMOTH CLOTHING HOUSE,
9 and 11 South Main Street, Shenandoah, Pa.
L. GOLDIN, Prop. 11-12-95

Funerals.
The funeral of Mrs. Henry Greenberg took place yesterday afternoon from the family residence on West Cherry street. Interment was made in the Jewish cemetery.

The funeral of Miss Hattie Evans, who died at Harrisburg on Thursday, took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of her sister, Mrs. George H. Carl. The attendance was large. The pall bearers were John Hopkins, David Simmons, William Edwards, Harry Powell, Isaac Griffiths and Alfred Owens. Interment was made in the Odd Fellows' cemetery.

DON'T SEND
to Philadelphia for your fashionable neckwear, when you can buy the same at MAX LEVIT'S, 15 East Centre street.

Rubbish on the Street.
Residents of South Jarlin street complained today of a quantity of rubbish thrown upon the street in front of the Borough building. The refuse was the result of a cleaning up the Council chamber received.

For an appropriate Christmas present see our fine pastel or water color crayons, cheap. Billinger Bros., 19 West Lloyd street.

Executive Committee.
The members of the Republican executive committee met County Chairman Payne on Saturday and settled up the affairs of the committee for the late campaign. All bills were paid.

Money Saved is Money Earned.
The large stock of rich Cloaks, Jackets, Wraps and Furs—the style, fit and make of our garments, most of all the very little prices, make us the acknowledged leaders. L. J. WILKINSON.

Foremanship Change.
William H. Kawther has resigned the outside foremanship at Coleraine and accepted a similar position at Packer No. 3 colliery, vice Christ Williams, who has been granted a leave of absence on account of ill health.

Off the Rails.
Several freight cars on the Lehigh Valley railroad jumped a switch at Wetherly this morning, but no person was injured and little damage was done.

Have the leaks in your gas and water mains repaired by P. W. Bell, the plumber.

It is Time To Think

Of buckwheat cakes and mush.

You will find at our place some Benton Buckwheat flour, the best in the land. Also Hecker's and Superlative self-raising, 10, 15 and 18c. Wm. Lea's celebrated corn meal will give satisfaction every time. Cheaper than ever in 25 pound lots.

Graf's,

122 North Jarlin St., Shenandoah.