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ONE CENT.



VENEZUELA
The Monroe Doctrine and Schomburgk line are the all-engrossing subjects of the day. There can be no question regarding The

.. New England Piano
Because our customers (the arbitration committee) decided long ago in its favor, conceding every claim for durability, richness of tone, and beauty of finish.

65,000 IN DAILY USE

SOLD ON EASY TERMS.

J. P. Williams & Son, S. Main St.

We have placed on our counters this week a large assortment of MUSLIN UNDERWEAR, Children's outing flannel, lawn and cambric dresses, and ladies' and children's white aprons. These have been made specially to our order and will cost you no more than the price you would have to pay for the material.

Ladies' Night Gowns with yoke of fine tucks and embroidery, 50, 79 and 99 cents.

Children's Outing Flannel Dresses, 25, 37, 50 and 79 cents.
" Cambric " 25, 49 and 79 cents.
" Lawn " 99c, \$1.87 and \$2.15.
Infant's Slips from 37c to \$1.87.

P. J. GAUGHAN, - 27 N. Main St.

THIS IS OUR EYE OPENER!

Special Drive in Ladies' Footwear!

Our Spring Line of Ladies' Shoes is being increased every day. Takes in everything good and attractive in the market.

OUR SPECIALTY SHOE.

We are making a drive in the Waverly ladies' shoe. 300 pair will be sold at \$2 a pair. Regular price is \$2.50. This may be the last of this line this season. We have them in C, D, EX EE widths. No better shoe is made for the money.

JOSEPH BALL, 14 S. MAIN STREET, SHENANDOAH.

General Agent for the Snag Proof Duck Boot.

EASTER GREETINGS.

... Spring Novelties In Dress Goods and Trimmings.

New Carpets—Rugs, Tapestry and Chenille Curtains. Special Bargains in Window Shades at 49c.

J. J. PRICE'S, North Main St., Shenandoah, Pa.



ALFRED F. MORGAN. A SHOE TALE!
Only the happy wearers of Morgan's Shoes can appreciate their real goodness of quality, fit and durability. The prices are right—a trial will tell a long story. See our special in ladies' shoes.
Alfred F. Morgan, No. 11 W. Oak Street.

BARGAINS In CARPETS Before Moving.

INGRAINS...

Good Quality at 25 cts.

Moquettes, 85 cts.

TAPESTRIES and VELVETS

.. AT REDUCED PRICES ..

FLOOR OIL CLOTH, 2 Yards Wide,

Extra Quality, at 40 Cents.

At KEITER'S.

AN EPIDEMIC OF MURDERS

John Rech Said to Have Made a Full Confession.

A TERRIBLE TRAGEDY IN OHIO!

An Isolated Farm House Entered by a Masked Murderer, Who Kills the Aged Parents and Knocks Two Others Senseless.

MAY'S LANDING, March 29.—The young woman strangled to death by her supposed husband, John Rech, formerly a notorious "Silver" keeper at Gloucester City, and found buried in the woods near Estelville, N. J., on Friday, was Bessie Weaver, daughter of a Germantown physician, whose youthful escapades and marriage to Willie Helt, the son of the wealthy brewer, from whom she was soon divorced, created a decided sensation in Philadelphia several years ago.

John Rech was taken in custody late Saturday night at Basileton, and the coll of circumstantial evidence that has been woven around him is now so complete that it will be almost impossible for him to escape from the meshes of the law. It was learned by the Atlantic county authorities that the report that the murdered woman had made a will was correct, and this at once established the motive for the crime.

By the provisions of the will and the power of attorney given Rech by his supposed wife the former thought to secure full control of her property and personal estate. The will provided that upon her death all her money, annuity and property is given fully into the charge of Rech until their child becomes of age, and as the boy is practically an infant he would have had complete possession of her fortune.

PHILADELPHIA, March 29.—Suspected murderer John Rech, it is said, yesterday made a confession to the police admitting that he murdered his wife for the purpose of enjoying the money left by Dr. Weaver to his daughter Elizabeth (Bessie). The authorities refuse to reveal the details of the confession. It is said, however, that Rech, in admitting the crime, says that the child is not the offspring of Elizabeth, but that it was obtained in this city six weeks ago as a result of a newspaper advertisement. It seems also that the couple were not lawfully married, although a ceremony was gone through before a justice of the peace in Jersey City in May, 1895. He is said to have confessed that he has a wife and daughter living in Catawaga, Pa., but whether she obtained divorce papers is not known.

It is claimed that he and Elizabeth Weaver conspired to let him become the beneficiary under the will of her father in case of her death. Under the terms of the doctor's will Elizabeth had between \$95,000 and \$100,000 left her in trust. Should she die without issue the money was to go to charity. As the first step in the conspiracy the woman made a will leaving her inheritance to Rech in trust for their child. They had yet to obtain a child.

When they appeared in Estelville she began to make it appear that she had a child in this city. About six weeks ago they are said to have come here and advertised for an infant about ten months old. One was obtained, which is said to be the illegitimate offspring of a prominent society woman and a New York business man. With the child they returned to Estelville.

The resolve to murder the woman, it is said, entered Rech's mind suddenly. He arranged her while she slept, and then carried her to the grave he had hastily prepared. He came here Thursday night and Friday went to Fox Chase, and on Saturday to Somerton, where he stopped at a hotel. He had previously left the child in Philadelphia in a "baby farm." On Saturday night he read of the discovery of body, and began trembling so that the hotel proprietor spoke to him. He admitted he was John Rech, and was then turned over to the police.

TERRIBLE TRAGEDY IN OHIO.

A Masked Man Kills an Aged Couple and Knocks Others Senseless.

AKRON, O., March 29.—At a late hour Saturday night a masked man entered the farm house of Alvin M. Stone, near Tallmadge, a few miles from this city, and in the brief space of half an hour committed a horrible butchery. When he took his departure Stone and his wife, both aged people, were lying dead in bed, horribly mutilated, and Ira Stillson, the hired man, and Emma Stone, the oldest of three daughters, were unconscious from blows dealt by the murderer.

The murderer entered the house by means of a ladder, which he raised to an upstairs window. Going quietly downstairs to the room in which Mr. and Mrs. Stone slept he attacked them with a blunt weapon of some sort, hitting both upon the head. The bent then cut off one of Stone's ears, slashed him across the face and stabbed him in the back. Then he laid Mrs. Stone's cheek open with a knife.

After satisfying his fiendish desires downstairs he proceeded to the room of Stillson, upstairs. The hired man heard the intruder, apparently, for he had arisen, when he was dealt a stunning blow on the head. Next the murderer turned his attention to Emma Stone, who slept in a room by herself. When he entered her room she screamed. That awakened the two other girls who slept across the hall. Hattie Stone arose to go to her sister's assistance, but was felled to the floor by a blow on the head, but fortunately was not rendered unconscious. Regaining her feet she ran to her own room and locked the door.

Throwing a bed quilt about her she leaped from the window and ran through the rain and mud to the nearest neighbors, a quarter of a mile away.

The murderer returned to Emma's room and struck her on the head, leaving her unconscious. Then he tried the door to the room in which Hattie had left her younger sister, Flora, when she jumped from the window. Finding the door locked he battered it down, finding only Flora in the room. He asked Flora where

the other girl was, and being told that she had gone for help he hastily left the house and made his escape.

Hattie, with the blood streaming from the wound in her head, managed to reach the neighbor's house, told her story and then fainted. The neighbor, calling for help, went to the Stone house. The only person in the house who was able to speak was Flora Stone, aged 19, and she was so badly frightened that she could tell nothing about the murder, except that the man who committed it wore a mask over his face.

Ira Stillson, the hired man, and Emma and Hattie Stone have not yet recovered consciousness and it is feared that Stillson will surely die, while the chances for the recovery of the two girls are very small. The crime is a mystery. There is no possible motive for the murders, so far as can be learned.

Murder and Suicide.

VIRGINIA, Ill., March 29.—Conrad Becker, a wealthy farmer of Aronville, this county, was shot dead on Saturday by his stepson, William Becker, the latter committing suicide by firing a bullet through his own brain. The terrible tragedy is the result of an old family quarrel, which recently terminated in a lawsuit and the ordering of the stepson off of some land. The murdered man leaves an estate of \$80,000. The murderer and suicide carried a life insurance of \$20,000 in different fraternal orders.

Triple Tragedy in Arkansas.

BENTONVILLE, Ark., March 29.—A triple tragedy occurred three miles from here yesterday. Pulaski Duckworth, a prominent and highly respected farmer, killed his wife with an ax, and then attacked his 4-year-old child with the same weapon, inflicting injuries that will prove fatal. The man then drew his pocketknife and slashed his throat from ear to ear, dying almost instantly. A 7-year-old daughter escaped slaughter by being at Sabbath school. Duckworth was undoubtedly insane.

Sorry He Failed to Kill.

SCRANTON, Pa., March 29.—Dr. J. R. Newton, a well known physician of this city, was shot twice in the shoulder and dangerously wounded Saturday night in his office. His assailant was W. H. Grieves, a tailor, who had a shop adjoining the doctor's office. Dr. Newton will recover. After his arrest Grieves expressed disappointment that he had not killed the doctor. The shooting was the result of a quarrel.

Jenalous Husband's Double Crime.

COLEMAN, O., March 29.—Fred Gorrell, a moulder of West Columbus, aged 21, yesterday afternoon shot his wife, who is but 17, and then stood before a mirror and cut his own throat with a razor. Gorrell died almost instantly, but his wife will recover. Jealousy was the cause of the affair.

Quay Leads in Allegheny County.

PITTSBURGH, March 29.—Complete returns from the Saturday primaries show that the McKinley supporters carried Pittsburg, while the Quayites swept the county, securing two national delegates and fourteen state delegates out of twenty-seven. Congressman W. A. Stone and Robert McAfee were elected national delegates on the Quay ticket in the Twenty-third district, and C. L. Magee and William Flinn, McKinley men, in the Twenty-second district.

Bickert's Cafe.

Our free lunch to-morrow morning will consist of nice vegetable soup.

Foreman Williams Dead.

Thomas L. Williams, outside foreman at the Maple Hill colliery, and a brother of John L. Williams, general manager for the Union Coal Company at Shamokin, died at his home in Ellangowan Saturday night from an affection of the heart. He was about 52 years of age and left a wife and three children. The deceased was a member of two local lodges, Anthracite Castle No. 74, K. of G. E., and the Welsh Iverites.

Easter is coming. Otto is ready for it.

Tracks Covered by Cult.

Traffic over the Schuylkill Traction line at the west end of Coal street was considerably delayed yesterday morning on account of rain from the Robinson colliery banks being washed over the tracks by the rain.

Scheltz's House.

Our free lunch for everybody to-night: Clam soup. Come and try it.

Last Engagement to-night.

Bickert's cafe to-night will undoubtedly be thronged with lovers of music, as Messrs. Vallee and Wilbur, musical artists and high class entertainers, will close a very successful week's engagement. These gentlemen have proved themselves a drawing card among the music loving public, and will render a double program of sentimental and classic music to mark their last performance to-night.

A fine chance on a large, handsomely decorated cake given in every purchaser to the amount of 10c. and upward, at OTTO'S.

Early Morning Robbery.

During the early hours of dawn yesterday morning the saloon of James Tobin, corner of Coal and Jardin streets, was broken into by some unknown persons and robbed of a large quantity of whisky, temperance drinks, several fresh baked cakes and about 1150 cigars. Entrance was gained by forcing a tin panel of the front door and removing the bar as the door was not locked. No clue to the robbers has yet been found.

Did you buy one of our spring hats? If not do so at once, as our shapes, shades, styles and prices are correct. 41 MAX LEVIT'S, 15 East Centre street.

Hand Smashed.

Dennis Cooney, while coupling cars at the Indian Ridge colliery this morning, had his right hand badly smashed, by having it caught between the bumpers. He is being attended by Dr. G. M. Hamilton.

Leave orders for names on Easter eggs as early as possible. W. V. Otto, 27 South Main street.

PAY DAY ARRESTS PLENTIFUL

Fifteen People Were Taken Into Custody Saturday Night.

THE PREDICAMENT OF AN OFFICER

He Gets Into a Brawl With His Prisoner and Spends Several Hours in a Cell Before Explaining His Position. A House Bombaraded.

The police were kept busy Saturday night suppressing street fights and arresting the offenders, and the two remaining cells of the lockup were packed with drunks. The cells were not in a condition to make the prisoners feel comfortable, but the police would take no chances of escapes, or having the Council Chamber wrecked, so the offenders were obliged to suffer the penalties which the only two cells afforded. They were damp and cold and the prisoners who were sober enough to appreciate their surroundings had no time in searching for friends to either bail them, or procure money for the fines and costs. Those who were too full to be particular left the cells chilled to the marrow in the morning and hastened settlements as speedily as their friends could bring them about. Only two or three of the prisoners are serving time out of a batch of eleven.

The disturbances were due to one of the periodical spells that pay-days bring around. During Lent the police have comparatively very little work in this line to take up their time and an outbreak was not looked for until after Easter, but evidently the pent-up behavior of those who fell into the hands of the police looked some place and everything went. Chief Burgess Burns had eleven cases, Justice Toomey four, Justice Williams three and Justice Walker one, a total of nineteen cases.

Among the sensations of the night was a desperate fight between Frank Spaniard and Anthony Saracko, two Italians. No weapons were used, but the men punched and clawed each other with great fierceness. Special Officer William Delowry, William Bradley, John Sueddon and a man named Hoffman arrested the combatants. It was subsequently learned that Spaniard had been deputized to arrest Saracko on a charge of safety and that while on the way down Main street the prisoner turned upon his captor and precipitated the fight. Saracko was wanted for threatening to shoot one of his countrymen. Chief Burgess Burns did not learn all the facts, however, until after he had released Saracko, after payment of the borough fine and costs. Spaniard was discharged from custody.

Another disturbance was one that occurred late Saturday night on East Raspberry alley. Six Poles attacked a house and shattered nearly all the windows with pieces of rock. Some of the pieces weighed eight pounds. A woman who was confined to her bed by illness had a narrow escape. Chief Tosh and his men arrested the whole gang, but as no one appeared to prosecute, the men were discharged upon paying the borough fine and costs.

Mrs. Mary Buttalawicz was a prisoner in the Council Chamber Saturday night on a charge of stealing a dollar from a man. Yesterday morning Justice Williams admitted her to \$100 bail.

At Breen's Rialto Cafe.

Grand Army bean soup will be served as free lunch to-night. Plenty for everybody. Free hot lunch every morning. Meals served at all hours.

Here is Another.

Anthony Joseph, an Arabian peddler, appeared before Justice Toomey Saturday night and complained that he had been duped out of two dollars in cash. He called at a house to make sales and a Polish woman gave him a Confederate \$10 bill. The woman refused to restore the goods and cash she received as change. A warrant will be issued as soon as Joseph can get the name of the woman who duped him.

Watson House Free Lunch.

Bean soup to-night. Hot lunch to-morrow morning.

Funeral.

The funeral of Miss Maggie A. Egan took place this morning from her late residence, on East Centre street, and was attended by a large number of friends. High mass was celebrated at the Annunciation church, and interment was made in the Annunciation cemetery.

Notice Otto's windows when passing. Observe that large cake which every one has a chance to win.

Leaves the Old Homestead.

James W. Bell is vacating the house at the borough limits, on West Coal street, which he occupied the past 23 years and is moving into the property on West Cherry street he purchased recently from William Veale.

Kendrick House Free Lunch.

Oyster soup to-night. Hot lunch to-morrow morning.

Policeman Kreiger Around.

C. & I. Policeman Peter Kreiger to-day resumed duty after confinement to his home for seven weeks on account of an attack of sciatic rheumatism.

Easter baskets filled for from 10c. to \$2.00, at W. V. Otto's, 27 South Main street.

A Wedding.

John Cook and Miss Della May, both of Mahanoy City, were married at the Methodist Episcopal parsonage, in town, Saturday night by Rev. Albert Hoelner.

Names put on Easter eggs free of charge, when they are purchased at W. V. Otto's.

The Gordon Planes.

Boiler makers are now at work putting in position a nest of new boilers at Gordon Plane. The plane is being put in shape for service in case of an accident at the Mahanoy Plane. The latter, it is said, cannot handle all the traffic and rumor has it that the planes at Gordon will soon resume.

New and very pretty waltz "Amphion," at Braum's Jewelry and Music store. 2-12-17

THE BUSY STORE

116 and 118 North Main Street. Proprietor, MAX SCHMIDT.

4-11-44

There It Is Again.

Our next week's advertisement will solve the mystery. This week we give you the following to think about. The most remarkable sales on record.

Great Dress Goods Reduction Sale!

This sale is especially gotten up to reduce our large stock of Dress Goods for the purpose of making room to put in a complete line of House Furnishing Goods. Read, therefore.

All Henriettas—all wool or silk warp—value used to be \$1.25, at **65c**
All Henriettas or Serges worth regular 50c, and low at that, now at **39c**
Any kind of goods that are regular 25 cents, goods you have bought hundreds of times at **17c** quarter, we sell you at

See Our Beautiful Line of TRIMMED AND DECORATED STAMP PLATES.

Ready to Ornament Your House. **24c.**

THIS WILL MAKE A BEAUTIFUL EASTER PRESENT.

Great Dress Goods Reduction Sale!

A beautiful line of Dress Goods, worth 12 1/2 and 15c—Plaids, figures or plain, **11 1/2c** all go now at

A big stock of Remnants at prices—well, Remnant prices—you know what that means.

Apron, or Lancaster Gingham as you call it, is considered a staple article, but as long as the rest is reduced to nothing we will sell you at the regular 5c price, but only ask you **4c**

Max Schmidt
116 and 118 North Main Street.

GIRVIN'S BARGAINS IN CROCKERY NOW.

GET GIRVIN'S Price First. THEN IF YOU SEE FIT, GO ELSEWHERE

GIRVIN'S 8 S. Main St.

A CARD.

The administrators of the estate of the late JOHN T. GRAF, would inform the old patrons, as well as the new, that the business will be continued at the old stand, and that the past reputation for fair dealing will be maintained by the present management, and the same high standard of goods kept in stock. We solicit a continuance of the trade.

Graf's, 122 North Jardin Street Shenandoah.