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FURNITURE AND BEDDING.

Mattresses	\$2.50 and Upwards.
Bedsteads	1.75 "
Cupboards	3.75 "
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Kitchen Tables	1.90 "
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A suit of fine medicated red flannels, at \$1.45.
Natural wool suits at \$1.75.
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UP-TO-DATE HATTER and GENT'S FURNISHER.
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...AT...
J. J. PRICE'S RELIABLE STAND...

Where on the same basis you can find a full and complete line of Ladies', Misses' and Children's

COATS - AND - CAPES
Of the very latest and best styles. Prices and quality guaranteed.

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COLUMBIA : BREWING : COMPANY
...BREWERS OF...
Lager Beer, Porter and Ale.

All the product of this brewery are made of pure malt and hops of which we buy the best and endeavor always to **MAKE THE BEST** that can possibly be produced.

Reduction in Wall Paper.

From 25 cents to 20 cents; from 10 cents to 8 cents. All other grades accordingly. This stock must be disposed of at once, in order that I can enlarge my store. These bargains will hold good for a short time only. Come at once and take advantage of the reduction.

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CALIFORNIA EVAPORATED FRUITS.

- Two Pounds Fancy Evaporated Peaches.
- Three Pounds Choice Evaporated Peaches.
- Two Pounds Evaporated White Nectarines.
- Two Pounds Evaporated Apricots.
- Two Pounds Evaporated Pears.
- Two Pounds Pitted Cherries.
- Two Pounds Blackberries.

- Two Pounds Best California Prunes.
- Two Pounds Fancy Ruby Prunes.
- Three Pounds Choice California Prunes.

- Two Pounds Mixed Nuts.
- Two Pounds English Walnuts.
- Three Pounds Brazil Cream Nuts.

New Fishing Creek Buckwheat Flour.
...New Granulated Corn Meal.

Our Mackerel stock is in fine condition.

WHITE AND FAT—LARGE AND SMALL.
G. W. KEITER,
SHENANDOAH, PENNA.

THE CHIPPEWA ICE GORGE.

It is Causing Immense Destruction of Property.

DYNAMITE MAKES NO IMPRESSION

The Powerful Explosive Has No Effect on the Monster Ice Field—The Business Portion of Chippewa Falls Submerged. Goods Saved From Destruction.

CHIPPEWA FALLS, Wis., Dec. 2.—Yesterday was a day of excitement and anxiety, and inhabitants of this little village are in a state bordering on panic. The worst of the situation is the knowledge of the impending danger, and that they are utterly helpless to stay or avert it. Those whose houses have been flooded have removed their household goods and belongings to higher ground, and are huddled together in the schoolhouse and other vacant buildings out of the path of the torrent that is sweeping down several of the main streets.

All hope of breaking the gorge, and thus allowing the pent up waters to gradually subside, is now abandoned. Efforts yesterday were directed towards removing household goods and merchandise out of the reach of the flood. All teams in the city have been engaged in this work. Every resident and business firm on River street has moved out. The Chippewa Lumber and Boom company's mill and yards are under water, and all hope has been given up of saving the entire business portion of the place from being submerged.

It was reported yesterday that another gorge was forming thirty miles above here, and this greatly added to the alarm, as in case it should break nothing could save the city from being swept away.

Reports of a very serious nature came from down the river. The country everywhere is flooded. The gorge continues to grow in extent. It is now over five miles long, and in many places thirty to fifty feet high. It completely dams the river, and this is what is causing the rapid rise. The heavy rains of last week were followed by a sudden freeze, which quickly raised the floating ice in the Chippewa, and the swiftly running current continually added to it until it reached its present gigantic proportions.

Below here the Chippewa is falling. There is no flood at Eau Claire, but this fact is causing the people at that place much uneasiness, as it indicates that the water is being piled up as by a dam above them. The ice pack at Badger Mills, half way between Eau Claire and Chippewa Falls, is growing in extent, and everything seems to indicate that the river is choking up.

It is not believed that anything serious can happen under the present conditions for at least a day or two. Everyone has been sufficiently warned, and is in readiness to fly the moment the crash comes.

The business portion of Chippewa is abandoned, and the flood may sweep away many of the buildings without damaging a dollar's worth of merchandise and other valuable goods that were stored there until yesterday. The contents of the buildings have been stored in unoccupied structures in remote portions of the city, where the flood cannot reach unless the entire city is overwhelmed and swept away.

The postoffice is under three feet of water, and Postmaster McCalm has moved the office seven blocks from its old location. Ten stores on the south side of Spring street are inundated. The offices of The Herald and The Independent, newspapers, are flooded, and the papers are being issued from other buildings.

At the Flambeau farm, fifteen miles above this city, another ice gorge has formed. The river has overflowed its banks and inundated the country twenty miles either side. Domestic animals have perished by the score. Farms and forests are flooded, and the losses will reach into the hundreds of thousands. It is safe to estimate that at least 3,000 horses, cows and hogs have met death in the flood.

The most stubborn resistance offered by the obstruction is in that portion of the river between the wagon bridge and the central railroad bridge, about half a mile in length. Yesterday Mayor Lindley ordered an explosion of 600 pounds of dynamite, but after 300 pounds had been exploded the experiment was abandoned as a failure. Railroad officials who viewed the gorge state that there is not sufficient dynamite obtainable to blast a channel through the ice.

A dispatch from Durand, Wis., says: The ice gorge which began at West Newton on the Mississippi, and gradually extended up the Chippewa River, has reached Round Hill, three miles below this city. The nearness of the gorge has forced the water at this point higher than at any time during the flood, although the river is slightly falling. The eighteen miles of the Chippewa below Round Hill is one field of packed ice, and the bottom lands over which the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railway track runs is completely submerged.

At Round Hill the river is flanked by bluffs, which make a gorge very dangerous to the city, although the wide bottom on the west side, making the river over a mile wide at this point, causes the water to rise slowly. As far as known no lives have been lost, but those living on the Chippewa bottoms have been rescued with difficulty. Several families on the Buffalo county side were driven from their homes at 2 o'clock Sunday morning by the forming of a gorge at Plum Island. Scarcely dressed, they waded through the ice and water to a high point on the railroad track, from which point they were rescued by a relief train from this place. Several of them were badly frozen. Others have been rescued by a relief train from this place. Stocks of all kinds have been grossly injured.

DIVIDEND PAID OCTOBER
To our shareholders: FORTY-FIVE CENTS TO EACH SHARE OF THE CHIPPewa FALLS ICE GORGE. Address: WOODWARD & LOVELL, 205 Dearborn Street, Chicago, Ill.

BISHOP BONACUM BEATEN.

Fathers Murphy and Fitzgerald Sustained on Every Material Point.

DUNSMITH, Pa., Dec. 2.—The final decision in the case of Bishop Bonacum and his priests, Fathers Murphy and Fitzgerald, was rendered last night. The priests are sustained at every material point. The case attracted much attention in church circles and has been before the public since April, 1895, when Bishop Bonacum, of the Nebraska Catholic diocese, attempted to discipline Fathers Fitzgerald and Murphy for alleged infraction of rules. They denied his authority to expel them from the priesthood and appealed to Rome.

The case was remanded back to the metropolitan court here, and after several postponements came up a few months ago, when testimony was heard. This was referred to Father P. A. Baart, of Marshall, Mich. He examined the testimony on both sides, as well as the church authorities, and then presented his findings to the ecclesiastical court last night, sustaining the priests and against the course pursued by Bishop Bonacum. The findings were approved by the court. This decision is final, and ends a case that has been fought through all the church courts and six times in the civil courts, the decision of the latter having always been against the bishop.

The decision restores Fathers Fitzgerald and Murphy to priesthood, gives them the parishes held before their expulsion by Bonacum, and prohibits the bishop from causing them further trouble on account of their relationship to both parties.

Mine Official Arrested.

SHEPHERD, Pa., Dec. 2.—Superintendent Harry Vincent, of the Patterson Coal company, was arrested yesterday on a charge made by Deputy Factory Inspector J. K. Robinson, that the corporation, he represents had neglected to pay its employees regularly during the past six months. The mine operators have succeeded in ending the strike of the miners by threatening to shut down the mine in case the men persisted in remaining out. The men feared that the operators would execute the threat, and as a consequence throw 1,000 men and boys out of work.

Pennsylvania's Geological Survey.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 2.—The state geological survey commission, which was organized twenty-two years ago, completed its work yesterday, handed its final report to Governor Hastings, and disbanded. The valuable specimens gathered by the commission have been deposited with the Academy of Natural Sciences, in Philadelphia. The state appropriated \$638,000 for the work of the commission, besides spending a large amount of money for the 129 reports and atlases.

Big Mine Fire Extinguished.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 2.—The big fire in the South Wilkesbarre shaft of the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal company was finally extinguished yesterday afternoon. It was started four weeks ago as the result of an explosion, and was fought inch by inch with the greatest difficulty.

At Breese's Rialto Cafe.

Oysters on toast will be served as free lunch to-night. Plenty for everybody. Hot lunch to-morrow morning. Meals served at all hours.

Awaiting a Reply.

Manager Fahy, of the Shenandoah foot ball team, is awaiting a reply to the sweeping challenge he issued a few days ago. It is evident that his players are the champions of the coal region and to prove it he is willing to meet any team, on any neutral field, for \$100 a side and the entire gate receipts. The teams of Ashland, Shamokin and Hazleton have been nursing the thought that the championship belongs to them, respectively, but they must relinquish the claim until they take up manager Fahy's challenge. He will wait a few days more.

Our fashionable Fedoras hats, black and brown, at \$1.00 is a bargain. At MAX LEVIT'S, 15 East Centre street.

To Appear at Sunbury.

Constable William Ewing, of Mt. Carmel, was in town yesterday serving subpoenas on witnesses to appear at the Sunbury court in the case of Wal. Noll and Anson Heiser, both of whom are charged by a Mt. Carmel man with selling him a stolen watch. Noll and Heiser have been in the Sunbury jail for several weeks, awaiting trial on the charge. The watch was stolen from Heiser's sister, Mrs. Thomas Hopkins, of Turkey Run.

At Kepchinski's Arcade Cafe.

Pure of pea to-night. Hot lunch to-morrow morning.

Muldoon's Hotel.

Received this morning, a large shipment of Boss' ale, Guinness' brown stout, imported wines and liquors and the celebrated Ischur beer, which will be always on tap.

To Attend an Opening.

The Grand Band will attend the opening of the Windsor hotel at Mahanoy City on Friday night.

Cave in at Lost Creek.

Last night a portion of the workings of Packer No. 4 colliery at Lost Creek caved in, leaving a breach about 60 feet deep at a point near the east end of the colliery's loaded trip track. The cave-in left five silos and the west bound track of the Lehigh Valley railroad suspended in the air and all traffic on the line today was made over the east bound track. The breach will probably be filled and both tracks put in operation by to-morrow morning.

Kendrick House Free Lunch.

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

Held for Wife Beating.

Louis Dangard, a Lost Creek resident, was arrested yesterday and taken to jail, charged with wife beating.

New stock of Mandolins just received at Bruem's jewelry store.

What is obtained by those who get it. Maxion Powder. Sold at Grubler's.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER Co., New York.

THE RINGTOWN SHOOTING!

Gehrke's Recovery is Still a Matter of Doubt.

A CLAIM OF SELF DEFENSE MADE.

It is Alleged That Thomas Welsh Fired the Shot After Himself and Two Brothers Had Been Set Upon by a Crowd. More Arrests Made.

John Gehrke, the farmer who was shot at Applegate's hotel in Ringtown on Monday night by James Welsh, is still in a critical condition and confined to the hotel. Dr. Ronschler, the physician in attendance, says the bullet has not been found. If it should not be found the man will die. In the event of its extraction the chances for recovery will be good. Gehrke's home is only about a mile from the hotel, but the doctor will not permit his removal there.

From the developments made before Justice Stauffer at Ringtown it now appears that Welsh did shoot Gehrke either while defending his younger brother or in self defense. It appears that Jerry Hawk, John Gehrke, Samuel Eisenhower, Thomas and James Welsh and a younger brother engaged in a game of cards in the bar room of the hotel on Monday night. The proprietor of the hotel and M. Stauffer were spectators.

Before the game started it was agreed that the first player caught cheating would be obliged to set up the drinks for the crowd, as a penalty. Hawk, it is alleged, was caught violating the confidence of the other players and he paid the penalty. After all hands had their drinks the game again proceeded. The party was in a jolly mood over the clever manner in which Hawk had been forced to set 'em up. Suddenly some one of the party charged Gehrke with cheating, in that he was playing with six, instead of five cards. Gehrke promptly denied the charge, saying that it was a mistake. The younger of the Welsh brothers called him a liar. Gehrke's temper immediately jumped to a high pitch and he sprang at the young man to resent the insult. This was like applying a torch to a heap of powder. All the men jumped to their feet and a general fight followed. Applegate and Stauffer also taking a hand in it. It also appears that the party became divided in sympathy, the Welsh brothers being on one side against the others and were badly kicked and beaten. The younger Welsh charges that during the fight Gehrke drew a knife and it was then that Thomas Welsh drew his revolver and fired the shot.

After the affray the Welsh brothers hurried to their farm. Each of them have badly cut and bruised faces as evidences of the fight. Sentiment in Ringtown is against them, however, and the murmurings about the place were so bitter yesterday that it was not considered advisable for any of them to visit the village. But when Welsh was taken to Justice Stauffer's office and entered \$2,000 for his appearance at court no attempt was made to molest him. The sentiment has changed somewhat, however, since later developments show that the shooting was not committed in cold blood and without provocation, as at first reported.

Yesterday afternoon the younger Welsh appeared before Justice McCormick and swore out warrants for the arrest of Gehrke, Hawk, Stauffer, Applegate and Eisenhower, charging them with assault and battery. All but Gehrke were arrested and entered bail for trial at court. Should Gehrke recover, he will also be put under bail for trial.

Muldoon's Hotel.

The only place in town having everything in the liquor line required for domestic and medicinal purposes.

Two Fake Collectors.

Tenants of landowners are warned against fake rent collectors. W. G. Gregory, agent and engineer for the Gilbert Estate, has learned that a few days ago two men, one quite young and the other middle-aged, called upon a West Lloyd street tenant of the Estate and demanded payment of rent, stating that they had been sent by Mr. Gregory to make collection. As the call was made earlier than usual the tenant's suspicions were aroused and no payment was made. Mr. Gregory learned of the affair when he went to make the collection. He does not depute others to collect rents.

Carpets at Saving Prices.

The very latest styles, best qualities and most beautiful designs. Rugs and Ingrains at remarkably low prices. We do the largest business in town. A. E. P. J. MORGAN'S, 30 South Main street. 11-30-1W

New Ladies' Society.

The Ladies' Industrial Circle held its first meeting last evening at the home of Miss Marie Conners, of West Cherry street. They elected the following officers: President, Miss Minnie Harnett; Secretary, Miss B. Flynn; Treasurer, Miss Mame Monaghan. They have sixteen members and will hold meetings once a week.

Our leather covered working gloves can't be beat at 25 cents. At MAX LEVIT'S.

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LAMP NEWS.

We have just received another lot of those 88c lamps; the kind that sold so quickly two weeks ago. Another lot of banquet lamps, with globes or silk shades.

Banquet Lamps in Brass with Silk Shades, \$2.98.

Better ones \$3.00 and all Prices up to \$10.00.

GIRVIN'S

4 and 8 S. Main St.

Called Back.

Mame Beacher, a 16-year-old girl, of West Centre street, has been a worker in the local Post of the Volunteers of America for some time and recently became desirous of entering training quarters to begin field work. Her father objected and to induce the girl to abide by the paternal wishes the Lieutenant of the Post withheld his consent to the advance. It is a rule of the Volunteers that if the officer in command of the home Post withhold his sanction an applicant cannot enter the training quarters. The girl did not know this and on Monday went to Wilkesbarre to apply for admission to the quarters there. A telegram was sent to the police of that city and the girl was arrested while participating in an open air meeting. Her father went to Wilkesbarre yesterday and returned with the girl last night.

Brennan's New Restaurant.

We will serve free hot lunch to all patrons tonight and to-morrow morning.

Officers Installed.

Last evening Thomas Thompson, of Shamokin, D. H. W. G. P. of the Sons of St. George, installed the officers of Shenandoah Lodge No. 69, in Reford's hall, as follows: W. P. Thomas, President; W. V. P. Isaac Myers, W. S. E. D. Beidall; W. A. S. George Knott; W. T. Gorman Gregory; W. M. Ralph Starrocks; W. A. M. Benj. Broxton; Trustees, Thomas Tammis, Robert J. Berry and George Knott.

Lost.

A bunch of keys, between theatre building, Lehigh Valley depot and P. & R. freight station. Finder will please return to this office. 12-2-14

Paid His Fines.

Pollwemen Tash and Lew last night arrested Joe Buchinski for nuisance and drunkenness. He spent the night in the lockup and this morning paid a fine to Chief Burgess Burns.

Bicker's Cafe.

Our free lunch to-morrow morning will consist of Boston Baked Beans and pork.

Typhoid Fever.

Two children belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Aumser, who recently removed to Girardville, are suffering from typhoid fever. Their sickness is reported as not being of a serious nature.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25 cents.

DON'T DO A THING

Until you have seen our handsome line of holiday offerings which are now being placed on sale. Nothing we ever had compares with this season's goods. Come and inspect the grand assortment.

Games, Dolls, Prizes, Wagons, Horses, Magie Lanterns, Steam Engines and Boats, Mechanical Toys, Tea sets, Kitchin sets, Baskets, Sewing Machines, Trunks, Baby Buggies, Iron Trunks, Suits, Fire Engines, Trunk and Ladder Trunk, Sewing Machines, Milk Wagons, etc. Celluloid novelties in Dressing rooms, Work and Manicure Boxes, Albums, etc.

Every article filled through and through with attraction, merit and worth. Those who come early will reap the best and that with little money. Our goods are on display. Look at them, examine them, price them. It will cost you nothing. We cordially invite you to come.

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