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THE ABOVE HANDSOME STYLES AT POPULAR SELLING PRICES.

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LADIES' COAT OR CAPE, MISSES' JACKET, SHAWLS, BLANKETS, LAWN COMFORTS, WHITE SPREADS, TABLE LINEN, NAPKINS, TOWELS, LACE CURTAINS.

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Table with 3 columns: \$1.00 GAMES, 75c. GAMES, PICTURE BLOCKS. Lists various items and their reduced prices.

Cheapest Toy House in Shenandoah.

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

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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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ORANGES.

CALIFORNIA, FLORIDA AND VALENCIA ORANGES.

NUTS.

ALMONDS, ENGLISH WALNUTS, MIXED. Two Pounds for 25 Cents.

FRUITS.

W. G. DUST. SHAVING AND... D CURRANTS, AND LEMON PEEL.

BAKING MOLASSES.

CRANBERRIES. That A. Holderman's jewelry exhibit is the finest. The goods are of a superior quality carefully selected. The prices lower than

GIBSON "GOT DER RUN."

The Philadelphia Pugilist Plays the Barn Yard Trick.

For see dis is Chris'mus time and dis is de time when de turks get it in de neck, and dere is where McHale give it ter Gibson. See! This is the way an early morning passenger on a Traction car bound from Ashland to Shenandoah to-day told the story. Translated the declaration is that Mr. "Jimmy" McHale and Mr. "Billey" Gibson met at Locust Dale to compare their abilities in expounding the many art of self defense and McHale proved to be the superior. The event was one of the most important in the sporting time that has occurred in this region for many months.

Several weeks ago "Jimmy" McHale, who is a veteran in the business, visited this region and succeeded in making a match with "Billey" Gibson, of Palo Alto, for a 25-round glove contest. It was announced that the contest would be for a stake of \$900, a side bet of \$900 and 75 per cent. of the gate receipts to the winner. Owen McNally, of Girardville, found backing for Gibson and sent out a quiet tip that the Schuylkill boy would have a Christmas plum pudding in McHale, as the Philadelphia had gone consumptive and lost much of his agility, prowess and hitting powers. Something was required to make up for the difference in experience between the men. McHale has met men of national reputation, and was once the star light weight of Philadelphia. He is not a youngster, having fought back in the '80's and in '89 met Andy Bowen in New Orleans. Until a year ago he was sparring instructor at the Southwark Athletic club, Philadelphia. On the other hand Gibson's pugilistic career has not extended much over five years and his battles have been with amateurs. He was formerly a resident of Shenandoah and has many admirers north of the mountain.

McNally's tip proved effective. Last night the sporting fraternity from all parts of the region gathered at Girardville to see the contest at the Palace theatre, but at the appointed hour Sheriff Scott and a posse also arrived upon the scene and gave notice that under no consideration would the contest be allowed to go on. There was quite an advance sale of tickets at one dollar each and those who had invested, as well as many who traveled some distance to see the mill, cried "Fake!" "Tim" Hurst, of Ashland, one of the umpires of the National Base Ball League, had become interested in the affair and if there is anything that makes his blood boil it is the cry of "Fake!" He wanted an arrangement made by which the fight should proceed and if it became too brutal for the Sheriff's nerves the official could stop it. The Sheriff was opposed to the fight under any consideration and remained with his posse to see that it should not take place.

But the sports were determined to have the "mill" and while a few were treating with the Sheriff the rest were at the P. & R. station purchasing tickets for Locust Dale. Shortly after eleven o'clock the sports commenced to steal away. Some left on the P. & R. railroad and others on Schuylkill Traction cars. At about midnight there was a re-assembling at a well-known resort in Locust Dale which is located exactly on the line dividing Schuylkill and Columbia counties, and in this place the fight opened at two o'clock this morning. It was of short duration. If Mr. McHale is consumptive Mr. Gibson failed to discover any trace of the dreaded disease. Six rounds were fought—at least "Time" was called six times. There never was a minute that Willie could get in. The three hundred spectators say it was one of the most one-sided pugilistic encounters ever fought in the region. McHale hit Gibson at will and in the sixth round the latter was knocked out. There were cries of "Fake!" It was justified. Anyone who had an idea that McHale was consumptive now know that that idea was a fake. McHale will spend a merry Christmas in Philadelphia and there are some sports in this county who will also enjoy the holidays. And who can really blame them. P. T. Barnum said long ago that the people want to be humbugged.

Silk handkerchiefs and fine silk mufflers at moderate prices. At MAX LEVIT'S.

For Your Interest. Whoever intends to buy fine footwear will, if they go to Womer's shoe store, 124 North Main street, find it to their interest—they'll see what we mean by the above expression and what it means to their pocket books—an important difference whether in quality or price of goods. Footwear for old and young. Womer's, 124 North Main street.

Holly and all kinds of trimmings for Christmas, at Coslett's. 12-23-24

Brennan's New Restaurant. Pea soup to-night. Sour kroust, pork and baked potatoes to-morrow morning.

Brutally Beaten by Her Husband. SHAMOKIN, Pa., Dec. 22.—Mrs. Charles Drumboosky, of this town, is lying at the point of death as the result of a brutal attack made on her by her husband Monday night. It seems that the woman did not prepare supper to suit her husband, whereupon he struck her with a coffee pot, fracturing her skull. He followed this up by kicking her until she was nearly unconscious. He is now in jail awaiting the result of her injuries.

At Kepchinski's Arcade Cafe. Vegetable soup to-night. Hot lunch to-morrow morning. Not Hard to Solve. Why Womer, 124 North Main street, sells his fine footwear cheaper than others—he has not got the enormous expenses other dealers have. This is both beneficial to the buyer and seller.

Boy's carpet slippers size 11 to 2, at 25 cents. WHITELOCK'S SHOE STORE. A chance with every 50c. purchase will be given at the Factory Shoe Store on the handsome French doll, displayed in their window.

Turkey for the Orphans. Watkin Waters Post No. 146, G. A. R., of town, has made it a custom for the past nineteen years to present to the widows of deceased veterans and dependent members with a Christmas turkey, and the Post will continue that worthy custom this year.

Buy your mother, wife, or sister a carpet sweeper or a pretty rug for a Christmas present, all prices at Fricker's Carpet Store.

EARLY MORNING COLLISION

Exciting Incident on the Lehigh Valley Railroad This Morning.

NO PERSON SUSTAINED INJURY!

A Flat Car Loaded With Lumber Left on the Main Line at Brownsville Instead of Being Run Upon a Side Track. An Engine Damaged.

A singular accident, due to a mistake of a conductor, took place on the Lehigh Valley Railroad early this morning through which a passenger train ran into a flat car loaded with lumber. Fortunately the train was not running with much speed when the collision occurred and no person was injured, nor was much damage sustained. It appears that late last night a freight train in charge of a Hazleton crew unacquainted with the yard tracks in this vicinity arrived at Brownsville with orders to side track a car of lumber at the latter place. A heavy snow storm prevailed at the time of the arrival and daylight was behind the schedule time. The conductor of the freight train located what he thought was the side track and ordered the engineer to run the car of lumber on it. The brakes of the car were made secure and the freight train proceeded eastward.

The track upon which the lumber car had been left was the east bound track of the Ashland branch. There is a sharp curve at that point and by six o'clock in the morning the car and its load were covered with snow. It was also quite dark at about six o'clock this morning and all the circumstances tended to puzzle the engineer of the passenger train bound from Ashland. As he rounded the curve and neared the obstruction, however, he applied the brakes and reversed his engine, but was unable to avoid the collision. The smoke stack of the engine was knocked off and the pilot wrecked. The lumber car was also damaged, but not to an extent to block the train. The engine was temporarily repaired and, after putting the lumber car in its proper position, proceeded with its train to Delano, where another engine was called into service for the run to Penn Haven Junction. The passengers of the train were considerably shaken up and some badly frightened, but none sustained bodily injury.

Your picture taken for 5c, day or night, at 16 South Main street. 12-18-104

Breen's Rialto Cafe Free Lunch. Grand Army bean soup to-night. Hot lunch to-morrow morning. Meals at all hours.

Five York state celery at Coslett's.

All Escaped from the Mine. WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 22.—A CRAYSS of the homes of miners employed in the Baltimore mine, where the explosion occurred Monday night, shows that all the men escaped from the mine. It was at first supposed that four or five of the men had been caught in that portion of the mine where the explosion occurred, but now all have been accounted for. The hospital physicians report that their patients are doing well. Everybody is rejoicing over the gallant work of the rescuers.

Hold Your Breath! Think of it. Nothing nicer or more appropriate for a Christmas gift than a present selected from our large stock of novelties in silver, jewelry, banquet lamps, etc., at Maly's, 16 North Main street.

Bickert's Cafe. Vegetable soup to-night. Something special to-morrow morning.

No stock of watches in gold or silver so handsome and attractive in Shenandoah as Holderman's. Selection larger, prices lower.

Health Reports. The following cases of measles were reported to the Board of Health during the past twenty-four hours: Margie Reese, 7 years, South Jardin street; Marion Patterson, 7 years, West Oak street.

Handsome presents, hand decorated china, cut glass and statuary, at Brumm's.

Killed. General Macco, the Cuban priest, has been killed, and so have his priest at Womer's shoe store, 124 North Main street.

At the Hotel Burns. The police force last night accommodated six wayfarers with warmth and shelter by having them registered at the Hotel Burns. They were released this morning. Turkeys! Turkeys! Turkeys! Fresh, home dressed turkeys at lowest market prices. At Coslett's, 36 South Main street. 12-23-24

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PENROSE'S SENATORIAL ROOM.

Parade and Mass Meeting in Honor of Wannamaker's Chief Opponent.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—A political demonstration of some magnitude was held in this city last night in support of the candidacy of Hon. Boies Penrose, the opponent of John Wannamaker for a seat in the United States senate, to succeed Senator Cameron. As early as 6 o'clock in the evening political organizations affiliated with Mr. Penrose marched on Broad street, and by 8 o'clock, the hour set for the mass meeting in the Academy of Music, the parade had assumed large proportions. Many brass bands were in line and much enthusiasm was manifested.

The Academy was crowded to its capacity with friends of the candidate, and every mention of his name elicited applause and cheers. Senator Quay, who arrived in the city from Washington yesterday afternoon, did not attend the meeting. The meeting was opened by Charlemagne Tower, Jr., and Joseph Wharton, president of the Bethlehem Iron works, was made permanent chairman, and in accepting the chair drew a comparison of the candidates, urging that Mr. Wannamaker's business interests would demand so much of the advantages of but a remnant of his energies. He also spoke of the objection that Mr. Wannamaker, the largest importer of foreign goods in this state, should participate in tariff legislation, and closed with a brief rehearsal of Mr. Penrose's career and a recital of his virtues as a man and a politician.

Congressman H. H. Bingham followed with an eulogistic address on the candidate, and after a number of other speakers had voiced their sentiments a resolution was adopted endorsing Mr. Penrose's candidacy and suggesting the appointment of a committee of fifty to proceed to Harrisburg to aid in securing his election. The Schuylkill county delegation arrived in the city at 5:15, and were received by a delegation from the Penrose Club. After partaking of supper at the Terminal they paraded to the Enquirer office, and from thence to the Penrose Club rooms, and were the guests of that organization during their stay. The delegation included the Third Brigade Band, Pottsville Republican Club, Good Intent Marching Club, and a number of county officials and prominent party workers. They numbered about two hundred, and were banqueted at the Penrose Club after the meeting in the Academy of Music. They elicited much applause along the route of parade.

Our stock of primroses, in bloom, cannot be beaten for variety. Payne's nursery, Girardville. 12-14-04-eod

Robbed of Money. Matt Strucinski conducts a saloon on East Lloyd street. He had been doing a rushing business of late, by which he accumulated \$140 which he secreted up stairs in a drawer. A friend, Frank Koucus, of Malvern Place, visited him the other day, and imbibing too freely went up stairs to overcome the effects. When the proprietor looked for the money yesterday it had disappeared. He immediately swore out a warrant for Koucus' arrest who entered \$500 bail before Justice Lawlor last night.

Fresh poultry, home dressed. All kinds, at Coslett's. 12-23-24

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Pastor Surprised. After revival services last evening about fifty members of the United Reformed Evangelical church repaired to the home of their pastor, Rev. J. J. Reitz, on East Oak street, and tendered him a donation party. The members spent several pleasant hours in which Mr. Oscar Kehler made a neat speech in behalf of those present, to which Rev. Reitz responded in an able address and expressed his sincere thanks for the generosity shown to him as pastor.

The finest stock of palms and furs, at reasonable prices, at Payne's nursery, Girardville. 12-14-04-eod

We have something entirely new in fine linen collars and cuffs at our usual low prices. At MAX LEVIT'S, 15 East Centre street.

Piano Scarfs. A nice piano scarf with silk tassels and rich colors will win its way to a comfortable home as well as a Christmas dinner. We have these specially designed and carefully made from the best selected goods. At O'Neill's, 106 South Main street. 24

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SPANIARDS WERE

Repeatedly Put to Flight by Island Insurgents

CUBANS THURSTING FOR

Dr. Zertucha. They Say, Can't Weyer Again Directing

movements of Spanish Troops

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—Views from Manila, Philippines, are verified by an appearance in the Hong Kong paper steamer Belgic yesterday contained in the communication that the Spanish on Ithaca and an attempt by to dislodge the insurgents in

Vigo. At the end of the campaign until the 14th of November, Spanish authorities sent reports that the attack was successful, and that the rebel heavy. The Spanish claim about thirty-five killed, and it is now learned that the that the Spaniards predicted, numerous defeat. The rebels also against warships and Spaniards retired after suffering

The insurgents numbered but they were strongly entrenched and Novleta. At the head of the peninsula the ground, combed with rifle pits, and a funded from assault by earth with rapid fire cannon and of heavy artillery.

Fourteen thousand Spaniards General Rios attacked the rebels at Novleta, and the rear of the rebel line. The their plans well arranged. The cruiser Castilla in shore and covered the attacks of the rebels. The shells reached the fens of the city.

The fight started at 9 o'clock Nov. 8, and by 1 o'clock in the insurgents' outer works evacuated.

Then a general attack throwing the main body of the rebels into the rebel trenches. The rebels opened fire on the owing to bad gunnery, failed damage to the defenses. The closest to Cavita, was far short, owing to the extreme given to the ship's cannon.

When Rios' men reached the works, a terrific fire was opened. They marched forward to fire, moving down the front column faltered, then returned for heavy fire. The Spanish in the open and subjected to the fire. Had the rebels' good Rios could have been

Wednesday, Nov. 11, Rios headed a second attack on throw his entire army against, and was routed with heavy first attack.

CUBANS THIRST FOR Dr. Zertucha Cannot Escape of Cuban Avenue

KEY WEST, Dec. 22.—Pass Havana boat last night say are being made with secrecy movement. Three battalions troops left by water the coast. It is supposed that of Weyer's coming campaign, advancing rapidly and it is

Weyer, if possible, will prevail to the gates of Havana. From Cuban sources that the is wild over the murder of and his beloved chief lieutenant burning to revenge their

bans in the army are infuriated. Dr. Zertucha is a marked reported that he has a

report. He is now in a miles from Havana with a

guard. His trip to Spain, the Cubans say, but a goes over there they have in that country who will

and young comes. They long escape the wrath of Ciriaco also comes in for hatred and revenge.

Strong insurgent bands appear to Havana that the Spanish, dominant far out of the city extent in strong forces, of twenty-five were attacked not over three miles from an insurgent band, and were killed. This authority has

but he cannot capture or an American named Amos, Texas, is their most prominent

VEYLER TRIES IT No Cessation of Activity in Province.

HAVANA, Dec. 22.—Capt. Weyer left Havana yesterday the Spanish cruiser Lopez, Marie, north of the military province of Pinar del Rio, intention of resuming operations of the operations against the in that part of Cuba. A

generals in the province of assembled at Artemisa, where the arrival of Captain General order to commence a new

campaign. Captain General Weyler with the forces of the all these troops beginning months in the province, and stood that there will be no activity until the campaign the island is finished.

General Solano reports that Lieutenant Colonel Omand of the Granada battalions an engagement in that force of insurgents. The get the enemy lost over 300

