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Is a wonderland of grandeur, beauty and bargains—full of suggestions to gift givers. Freshest of goods, and a vast variety to select from. Many articles and styles not to be found anywhere else. Easy opportunities to see everything. No solicitations to buy. No compulsion to keep after you have bought, if not satisfied. Perfect satisfaction with qualities. Perfect confidence that prices are lowest.

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MIDNIGHT BLAZE.

Spark From a Pipe Ignites a Barrel of Straw.

At a few minutes before midnight on Saturday an alarm called the fire department to the corner of Jacobi and Laura streets, where a fire was found in the store of William Blaisch. The three fire companies were on the scene and promptly extinguished the fire, but the store keeper claims that he sustained a loss of about \$500 in damage to stock by fire and water and that the loss is only partly covered by insurance.

Blaisch believes that the fire was caused by a spark from a smoking pipe. He says that during the evening a man called at the store to buy a lamp chimney. There was some in the store and Blaisch and the customer went into the cellar to get one from a barrel. It is thought that when the chimney was being selected a spark fell unnoticed from the customer's pipe into the straw in which the chimneys were packed. The fire did not break out until after the store had been closed and the family had retired for the night. One of them happened to awake and detected a strong smell of fire. Its source was traced to the store, which was filled with smoke and a blaze was beginning to burst through the floor from the cellar.

At Kepchinsk's Arcade Cafe.

California bean soup will be served during and between the acts to-night.

Hot lunch to-morrow morning.

Engagement of Elihu H. Spencer.

One of the most notable engagements of the season is that of the wonderful young actor, Elihu H. Spencer, whose creation of "Shylock," "Iago," and "Cassius," aroused even the cold blooded critics of New York and Boston to an unprecedented degree of warmth. This fall, through Mr. Spencer plays few of the smaller cities. Manager Ferguson by offering extremely advantageous terms has succeeded in inducing Mr. Spencer's management to put in one night in this town, when he will appear in "Julius Caesar." The same complete scenic equipment used in New York, Boston and Philadelphia will be seen here, every piece of scenery, costume and armor being the property of the company. All the original music will be played during the action of the piece.

The greatest bargains in the jewelry line at A. Holdeman's.

Manager Hutchison Retires.

Thomas H. Hutchison to-day retired from the proprietorship and management of the Ferguson House and this afternoon left for Soudbury, where he will retire to private life with his family. Mr. Hutchison retires from the hotel business with a competent staff in his departure with his family the town loses one of its most enterprising and progressive citizens. The departure of Mrs. Hutchison is equally regretted and the host of friends they leave behind will join the HERALD in wishing a prosperous and happy life in their new home at Soudbury. Mr. Hutchison, formerly proprietor of the Mt. Carmel House, at Mt. Carmel, is the new proprietor and manager of the Ferguson House. He is a gentleman of experience in the hotel line and personally is extremely genial and courteous, so that his career in the hotel line will be a prosperous one. He is a gentleman who evidently has the ability and tact to make a hotel mutually advantageous to patrons and proprietor. All the old corps of employees, with the exception of Elisu Lewis, continue in service. Mr. Lewis resigned his position to become proprietor of a hotel at Taneytown, and the Hutchison family many friends in wishing him success in the undertaking.

Mr. P. J. Ferguson, the manager of the theatre, has cheerfully accepted the appointment as a member of the committee on organization for the relief of the poor and is already one of the most active workers in the cause. He will second Mr. Fields' motion by giving a part of his share of the receipts from Wednesday night's performance, to be proportioned, Mr. Ferguson is enthusiastic in the work. He said yesterday "This is a non-sectarian movement in which all of us should work with a will and Mrs. Ferguson and myself will certainly try and do our part. My theatre is at the disposal of the committee, any undertaking which they may feel will swell the fund to relieve our distressed fellow beings."

Hon. Patrick Conry remained in charge of the relief station at 35 West Centre street from 2 to 9 o'clock Saturday night and was kept busy attending to the appeals for aid. Not half the fortunate people of the town have had the great distress that exists. Scores of families are on the verge of starvation and they cannot be too promptly relieved. Many families have had an awful ordeal, but pride has restrained their murmuring, hence their condition has not been observed by the outside world. None who are in need should allow their pride to interfere. There are enough noble spirited in Shenandoah to see that their fellow beings shall not starve and every worthy case will be cared for. Impostors are warned to keep at a distance, as not only will assistance be withheld from them, but they will be prosecuted if they attempt to victimize the committee. Impositions frequently deprive worthy people of their rights, but the present movement for relief is not likely to allow impostors to get in their work.

Merchants and citizens generally are urgently requested to make what donations they can spare to the committee without delay. All donations of money, clothing, provisions, etc., are received and distributed by a committee of gentlemen whose integrity is unquestioned and whose knowledge of people in town is such that there is little danger of the donations being misdirected in distribution, so that they may be made with confidence that the charitable spirit is not being abused.

In addition to the committee appointed at the public meeting Friday night there is at work an auxiliary committee of noble men who voluntarily entered the field to assist the committee and are doing nobly. It is suggested that these generous ladies meet and apply a system to their work, so that there may be no duplication of work. It is also the desire of those interested in the work that people who are in need shall wait until they are called upon. There are many more deserving attention and it is possible that some worthy family be overlooked. This will not be done if it can be avoided. Anyone in need of relief may apply at the headquarters, 35 West Centre street. If an investigation shows their case to be merited, relief will be promptly extended. None need fear publicity in connection with the movement. The names of those helped are withheld by the committee. The only publication in the matter will be of that of donations received and distributed so as to keep the public informed of what the committee is doing.

A meeting of the general committee on organization will be held in the Council chamber to-morrow evening, at 7:30 o'clock, and it is hoped all members will be in attendance.

Several families did not receive relief on Saturday on account of sufficient funds and donations not being on hand, but this should not prevent anybody from sending in orders for relief as the committee is rapidly getting affairs in shape to meet all demands.

Important Notice.

The stars of all special police officers must be returned to the undersigned before Monday, March 1st, 1897.

JAMES BURNETT, Chief Burgess.

HELP FOR THE POOR

THE MOVEMENT FOR THEIR RELIEF IS BOOMING.

MINSTRELS WILL HELP!

AL. G. FIELDS WILL DONATE PART OF HIS PROCEEDS.

MANAGER FERGUSON AGREEABLE.

He Will Make a Donation From His Share of the Performance in the Theatre Next Wednesday Night—The Relief Committee Hard at Work.

The movement for the relief of the distressed and worthy poor of the town has become an instantaneous success. People in all parts of the town who are in any way able to help the project have put their shoulders to the wheel and doing all in their power in the way of soliciting and contributing money, provisions and clothing and locating and relieving sufferers.

Saturday night a committee went to Mainway City and met Mr. Al. G. Fields, the minstrel who gave a performance at Kate's opera house that night. Mr. Fields was asked if he would donate to the poor fund a part of his receipts from the performance to be given in this town next Wednesday night. Mr. Fields promised to make a donation from his portion of the receipts on that night and also said he would cheerfully do anything else in his power to relieve the poor of Shenandoah, Al. G. Fields' minstrel company is larger and better than it has ever been before. There are 27 people in the company and the show is clean, brilliant and thoroughly up to date. The Mainway City people declared Saturday night that it was the best minstrel that ever visited the town. The costumes and stage settings are superb and the first part with the right and man makes a great hit. The succeeding acts are equally well received and elicit high effects in varied costs, which is a new departure in this line of theatricals. The people of town can go to Ferguson's theatre and witness the performance of Al. G. Fields' Minstrel next Wednesday night with confidence that they are not only aiding a noble cause by swelling the receipts for the performance, but will in the same time enjoy one of the best minstrel shows ever given.

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Hickert's Cafe.

Our free lunch to-morrow morning will consist of sausage with potato salad.

Miners' Wages.

The following collieries drawn to return the price of coal used to determine the rate of miners' wages make the following report:

Ellenbogen, P. & H. C. & Co. 2.94 Kohlenberg 2.94 Harrison 2.64 Alvey Creek 2.64 Kelley Run, Thomas Coal Co. 2.52

Average, 2.60-64 and rate of wages for last half of February and first half of March is 4 per cent. above the 22-50 basis.

Odd Fellows Notice.

All Odd Fellows in Shenandoah and vicinity are respectfully requested to attend the funeral of our late brother, William C. Richards, of Annapolis Lodge, O. O. F. of Minersville, from his late residence, No. 405 West Cherry street, on Tuesday, March 2nd, at 9 a. m. Interment at Lewisburg.

JRO. D. TREZISE, N. O., Shenandoah Lodge No. 301, I. O. O. F., Attest—JON. HIRSH, Sec'y.

When bilious or constive, eat a Cascarel candy cathartic, cure guaranteed, 10c, 25c.

Committed to Jail.

Martin Shustock was taken to jail this morning by Constable Matt. Gibson. He is charged with stoning the house of John Shlack, in the First ward, and demolishing several windows. He was unable to furnish \$500 bail.

Remember if You Have a Cough or Cold.

Pan-Thins always cures, 25c. At Grubler Bros., drug store.

To Meet at Girardville.

Joseph Conner, of Hymersville, met Dan Cavanaugh, of Haven, Pa., in Girardville Saturday evening, and made arrangements for a pigeon match for \$100 a side to be shot on St. Patrick's Day. The match will likely take place on the base ball ground at the west end of Girardville.

New Undertaker.

T. J. Conkley has opened an undertaking establishment in town with his office located at J. J. Conkley's, 35 North Main street. Night calls at the Ferguson House. 3-1-97

Substituting Heavy Hails.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company to-day commenced substituting 55-pound rails in place of the 45-pounders in use on its line between St. Clair and Pottsville.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

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

Moved to St. Clair.

Frederick Burkhardt, who was engaged in the bakery and confectionery business in town for many years, to-day transferred his business and residence to St. Clair.

"If taken into the head by the nostrils two or three times a week, Thomas' Electric Oil will positively relieve the most offensive case of catarrh," says Rev. E. F. Crane, Dunkirk, N. Y.

Foreman Resigns.

James Irvin, who recently made a trip to the West, has tendered his resignation as inside foreman at Packer No. 3 colliery. He is preparing to move to the West.

Shake Off Rheumatism and Neuralgia.

Rub well with Red Flag Oil, 25c. At Grubler Bros., drug store.

THE BOGART CASE.

The Fine Was But One Hundred and Twenty-five Dollars.

Additional information from Pittsburg is to the effect that the sentence imposed on Superintendent C. D. Bogart by Judge White at Pittsburg Saturday morning was \$125 fine, instead of \$200, and the costs. It is also stated that the bill of costs has been cut down from about \$350 to a little over \$300. Judge White grants ten days time for payment of the amount.

After sentence was passed Superintendent Bogart's lawyers went before Judge Wickham, of the Superior Court, who happened to be in Pittsburg on Saturday, and at 4:30 in the afternoon an allocution for an appeal to the Supreme Court was granted.

A report that Superintendent Bogart had resumed active charge of the schools in town this morning was without foundation. The superintendent will not return here until to-morrow.

Breen's Minst. Cafe Free Lunch.

Oyster soup to-night.

Hot lunch to-morrow morning.

Meals at all hours.

Free continuous phonograph entertainment. All the latest songs and band marches.

Waldron's Big Horse Sale Next Thursday.

Next Thursday at one o'clock Waldron's big horse sale will take place at O'Hara's livery, Shenandoah. The horses will arrive here to-morrow night. They will consist of mares, colts, yearlings and broodmares. The big single drafters will be well represented. This will be a chance for those that are in want of horses to buy at their own price. Everyone knows that Waldron conducts the surest auctions ever held in this part.

Every horse must be sold to the highest bidder. Exchanges can be made any time before the sale opens. Next Thursday is the day at O'Hara's livery, Shenandoah.

The greatest bargains in the jewelry line at A. Holdeman's.

Church Destroyed by Fire.

Shortly after three o'clock yesterday afternoon fire broke out in the Greek Catholic church on Arthur street, Hazleton, and in less than half an hour the handsome structure was reduced to ashes. Some of the church property was saved. The origin of the fire is a mystery. A handsome candleabra received only a few weeks ago from Toronto, costing \$600, was among the ruins. The loss is estimated at \$8,000, on which there is an insurance of \$5,000.

Kendrick House Free Lunch.

Grand Army bean soup to-night.

Hot lunch to-morrow morning.

Sheriff Sues County Commissioners.

Hempstead, Pa., March 1.—Sheriff J. B. McHenry has entered suit against William Erickbaum, Nehemiah Kitchener and John Gordon, commissioners of Columbia county, to recover the sum of \$1,044, with interest from Feb. 20, 1897, for boarding prisoners in the county jail from April 29, 1895, to Jan. 1, 1897. He claims the rate for boarding prisoners was 45 cents a day, and the commissioners allowed him but 25 cents a day.

Murderers Captured in Italy.

Hazleton, Pa., March 1.—The Italian consul in Philadelphia notified Detective Tresscott that Joe Camorani and Angelo Passerella had been arrested in Italy, charged with the murder of Peter Lashaw on the night of Dec. 13, 1895, near the Millersville hotel. The men will be held by the Italian authorities until further evidence is furnished by the district attorney.

Eloped with Her Nephew.

Williamsport, Pa., March 1.—Mrs. Weidner, aged 38 years, of Nipponoo Valley, this county, eloped with William Sweeney, her nephew, aged 19 years. Mrs. Weidner's husband discovered her flight during the night, and sent Constable Dunbar in pursuit. The officer arrested the pair on a train and took them back home.

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

Desirable Location.

The HERALD got an inkling that the store and dwelling, No. 122 North Main street, is for rent. Although it has not been advertised, this is undoubtedly one of the best business places in town. It has two large beautiful show windows. Should anybody with business predilections be so fortunate as to secure the place success is assured.

Just try a 10c box of Cascarel, the finest liver and bowel regulator ever made.

Funeral.

George Litvinikas, aged 46 years, who died last Friday after a long illness, was buried in the Lithuanian cemetery this morning. The funeral was attended by a lady by the St. Anthony Lithuanian Society, of which the deceased was a member.

It Is True

That we are selling handsome big heavy oak bedroom suits, containing eight pieces, at \$100. Guaranteed in quality and price. A wonderful chance of other furniture at similar bargains. At O'Neill Bros. furniture and music warehouses. 3-1-97

FOR RENT—Two rooms, suitable for offices.

Mr. Timmon's New Trotter.

"Minnie T." sired by Curbin's "Bahaw" of Omaha, Neb., and having a trotting record of 2:10, arrived in town yesterday afternoon. The mare was purchased recently by John A. Timmon and is now quartered at his stable on South Market street. Dr. E. D. Longacre, who had charge of the horse on his journey, returned with a pair which he purchased in Chicago.

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NEWS FROM HARRISBURG.

Dr. Swallow's Indirect Charges Against State Officials.

SOME NEW MEASURES PRESENTED.

A Bill to Provide for Pure Beer and Another to Reconstruct the Prison Management of the State—To Push the Quay County Bill.

Special Herald's correspondence.

Harrisburg, March 1.—The legislature during the sessions of last week showed a disposition to work, and succeeded in the enactment of considerable business. All the committees have been active, and at tonight's session quite a number of bills were reported from the various committees for further consideration. At this period of the sessions it becomes both houses to be as diligent in the work for which they have been chosen as possible, as, according to the developments of the past few weeks, there will be very many questions for both branches to consider that should not be passed upon too hastily.

Each week seems to add additional work to what is usually required, and if this continues it will be well long to the first of July before all the business can be disposed of. A resolution will be offered this week fixing May 1 as the date for final adjournment, but in the present state of affairs this is impossible, as very little will be accomplished this week, owing to the inauguration of President McKinley, and if they get all their work finished by the last of June it will be about as much as can be accomplished.

Dr. Swallow's editorial in The Methodist, setting forth a series of startling accusations that persons have been paid money out of the state treasury who rendered no service to the state; that persons have been asked to sign a receipt for from two to four times as much as they actually received; that articles have been furnished the orphan schools that cost the state eight fold more than reliable bidders were willing to furnish the same for; that the buyers of the capitol buildings were if at all accidental was also in a sense incidental, and that it was a logical sequence of having exhausted excuses for expending public money, etc., has caused quite a sensation.

In his testimony before the committee appointed to investigate the cause of the capitol fire, Dr. Swallow refused to answer questions relating to these charges, and gave as his reasons that as soon as a certain commission is appointed the witnesses will be forthcoming and the evidence supplied to prove the charges made.

Detectives Have Been at Work, 'Tis Said.

Rumor is current here that special detectives have been at work on this case for some time, and that the charges made in The Methodist in the outcome of their investigation. These charges seem to astonish very many of the members, who are loath to believe that any dishonesty has been practiced by any of the state officials.

It is thought that the business of the state has been too closely watched in the past ten years for any of the officials to practice dishonesty without being found out. But, on the other hand, it is alleged that Dr. Swallow is a reputable citizen, responsible for his acts, and deserves to have a hearing, and if he can substantiate his charges let the guilty be punished. He claims that he will not divulge further information unless a committee is appointed entirely devoid of any political influence, and when that is done he is prepared to disclose some very startling news. He seems to invite a prosecution and a trial through the courts, in the belief that he will be enabled to more fully investigate and prove to the satisfaction of a fair minded jury that his accusations are correct.

The friends of Dr. Swallow claim that an indictment brought by state officials against the doctor for libel on the strength of the publication is just what he wanted. This accusation will no doubt result in the appointment of another committee composed of members of both the senate and house to inquire into these charges and ascertain if there is any truth in them. It is probable that the members of the committee to investigate the capitol and dairy commission will be announced this week, and a beginning made to investigate this department.

Dr. Swallow claims he is receiving offers of assistance from different parts of the state to aid him in his prosecution of the charges he has made. One wealthy gentleman has offered to go his security to the amount of \$100,000. His ardent has brought to his assistance many who are anxious to aid in having a fair and complete exposition of the purchasing agents of the state supplies.

There are now three investigating committees, two of which are organized and at work, and the third will be ready to commence business in a few days; and it is possible there may be other developments to follow requiring more investigations.

Some Proposed New Laws.

Among the new bills introduced recently was one which provides that the minimum salary hereafter paid to all teachers of the public schools shall be 100 per month, and another fixing the school term at eight months.

Another bill which has been offered will affect every beer drinker in the state. This provides that brewers shall keep all beer in stock for at least six months before it is offered for sale or put upon the market. In the event of this becoming a law it would confer the appointment of pure food inspectors, whose duty would be to inspect breweries, as well as have regular and systematic chemical analysis made of the beer brewed and sold in the state. A similar law has been in effect in England for many years, and has been the means of securing a quality of pure malt liquors, free from any adulteration. Considering the amount of beer used in the state annually it is

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