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FOR SPRING TRADE IN -

CARPETS AND

OIL CLOTHS.

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NEW STYLES.

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At KEITER'S.

CRIMINAL COURT.

Cases in Which Convictions Were Made and Fines Ignored.

Several cases in which Shenandoah people were interested were before the criminal court at Patterson yesterday. Joseph Blum, who stole an overcoat from a dummy in front of Levine's clothing store on South Main street, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$5 and costs and serve 90 days.

John Butler pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny made by Lizzie Butler and a sentence of \$10 fine, costs and 90 days was imposed.

The Grand Jury yesterday handed down true bills in the following cases: John Butler, larceny, oath of Lizzie Whalen; Thomas Lee and Harry Goodman, larceny and assault and battery, oath of William Shustock, who claims the defendants had and robbed him in the lockup after they arrested him; Philip Coffee and wife, larceny as bailee, oath of E. E. Gallagher, who charges that when vacating a premises the defendants took with them a stove that had only been loaned.

In the case of Joseph M. Boyer against William G. Hess for assault and battery the Grand Jury ignored the bill and put the costs on the county.

A BOY IMPALED.

Injured While Climbing on an Iron Picket Fence.

Yesterday afternoon Anthony, seven-year-old son of Frank Spaulding, of North Bowers street, was seriously injured when climbing the iron picket fence at the rear of the old White street school building. The boy was at the top of the fence when a little girl pushed him and he fell forward, one of the pickets penetrating his abdomen to the depth of about an inch. Some men attracted by the victim's cries took him from the fence and carried him to his home nearby. Dr. Spaulding says the injury is a serious one, but fatal results can be avoided by careful attention.

Shake Off Rheumatism and Neuralgia. Rub well with Red Flag Oil, 25c. At Gruber Bros., drug store.

TO-NIGHT'S BENEFIT.

The Proceeds to be Devoted to the Relief of the Worthy Poor.

At G. Fields' Minstrel will give an evening entertainment at the theatre this evening, the proceeds of which will be devoted to the poor relief fund. The theatre should be packed. The larger the audience, the greater will be the donation to the fund.

Kentrick House Free Lunch.

Hot lunch to-morrow morning.

The Star Attraction.

In these days of degeneration in things theatrical, when the mind of the public is the larger circle seems to run riot towards variety and silly farce comedy performance, it is extremely pleasing to note an actor with faith in the ability of the legitimate drama to draw, and possessed of the courage of his convictions sufficient to spend a vast sum of money to properly equip himself in a manner worthy of Henry Irving himself. Elihu R. Spencer, who on Friday evening next will make his appearance in this town as a single star at Ferguson's theatre, as "Cassius" in Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar," is an actor of most ordinary ability brought up in the old school of acting, the declamatory, choculicious style, he brings to his impersonations the fire of youth, the true spark of genius, and the imprint of the modern school to temper the artificialities of the old. To those who have never seen Spencer's "Cassius," his impersonation of the scheming villain in a revolution, Mr. Spencer is supported by a magnificent dramatic company, including Frank Hennig, who for the past ten years acted as leading man for Thomas W. Keene; Miss Isabel Pengra, a prominent former member of Charles Frohman's farces; George Macomber, the sterling Shakespearean actor, and twenty other artists. A cascade of magnificent scenery is used to lend artistic verisimilitude and the play will be mounted, staged and scored in a superb manner, such as has never before been seen in this town.

At Kepichinski's Arcade Cafe.

Oyster soup to-night during and between the acts.

Waldron's Big Horse Sale To-morrow.

To-morrow, at one o'clock, Waldron's big horse sale takes place at O'Hara's livery. There are horses of all kinds, so everyone can have their wish suited in the horse line. Every horse must and shall be sold, no matter what price is offered. If you are in want of what price is offered. If you are in want of what price is offered.

A Musical Expert.

Among the latest musical wonders in town at present is Billy J. Bryant, of Philadelphia, who holds forth at Anthony Schimicker's cafe, on South Main street. He has created considerable stir among the musical circles and is considered an excellent performer on the keys. As a vocalist he possesses a sweet tenor voice, and entertains his listeners with all the latest melodies. He is highly recommended by all who have heard him.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

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

Will Remain To-night.

Owing to the great success of Thomas Jenkins, the singer and guitar player, at the meeting of the Volunteers of America last night, it has been decided to retain him at the meeting to-night. He is held at great expense, and for the last time.

Mickler's Cafe.

Our free lunch to-morrow morning will consist of sour kraut, pork and mashed potatoes.

Successful Dance.

The Gold Leaf club last evening entertained a large number of their friends by holding a dance in Robbins' opera house. The music furnished by the Peric orchestra was of an excellent character.

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

IN NEED OF HELP

MANY FAMILIES ON THE VERGE OF STARVATION.

A STRONG APPEAL ISSUED.

FOOD, CLOTHING AND OTHER NECESSARIES OF LIFE WANTED.

CASH DONATIONS ALSO WANTED.

Permanent Committee on Relief Organized and Soliciting Committee Appointed - A Juvenile Relief Association Also Started - Fields' Minstrel Performance to be Given To-night.

The movement for the relief of the distressed worthy poor of the borough is progressing with more vigor and better results than it did the few preceding days, but it has not yet reached the stage of satisfaction that it should. There is still a big difference in the spirit developed in the movement here and that displayed by the people of Mahanoy City in their efforts to relieve the poor of their town. Their cash donations have aggregated over six hundred dollars and several citizens have made individual cash donations ranging from \$25 to \$100. We regret to say that up to the present we have not been able to record any act of that kind on behalf of the Shenandoah citizens, but we still have hope that the people will become properly aroused to their sense of duty and make their record equal to that of the people in our sister borough.

Another commendable feature in connection with the Mahanoy City movement is the facility to the cause of humanity displayed by Mrs. Esthers, McKee and McMenamin. Through their efforts committees have been appointed in every ward of Mahanoy City and every place in Mahanoy township to solicit and distribute aid and a collection for the poor will be taken up at the three o'clock mass to be held in St. Casimir church next Monday.

In order to put the movement in town in more definite shape the general committee held another meeting in the Council chamber last night and effected the following permanent organizations: President, John L. Hassler; Vice President, P. J. Gaughan; Secretary, T. J. Broughall; Treasurer, Christ Schmidt.

As one of the results of the meeting the following appeal was issued to-day:

To the Public - While some of the towns of the region have recognized the great need of many of the deserving impoverished at this time, and have come to the front nobly with their offers of assistance, the most of the able citizens of our town seem as yet to be asleep to the awful condition of things in our midst. The investigating committee has found a number of families almost on the verge of starvation and others really suffering for want of clothing. In some cases sickness seems to be insupportable to nothing but lack of proper nourishment. Some of these cases are widows with large families of little children to support.

In other cases the men who have been industrious and careful have been laid by for weeks and months with injuries received in the mines and have thus been prevented from caring for those dependent on them. In other cases, where a large family of little ones is to be provided for and the house rent to be paid every month, the conditions are appalling. Not the least touching cases are those where aged couples, industrious in earlier life but unable to work any longer, have been depending on married children for support, which support now has of necessity become most meagre.

Of course, it is to be expected that impostors will appear at such times as this. They are the few to risk to the many and probably some will be able to secure a little undeserved aid. The members of the committee appointed to look into cases of distress are not infallible, but they are endeavoring to be careful and will deal uniformly with all such cases as they find. The dread of the few impostors who appear at such times ought not to keep any from aiding in this cause to their very utmost. Better put up with a few unworthy rather than allow many really worthy ones to suffer of want. Some of our town people have already assisted most generously, but by far the larger majority have as yet done nothing. This is not a flurry of a few days. The present condition of things has been gradual in its approach. Inch by inch people have been driven to the wall and it will take weeks, and in some cases may be months, or so, before families will be able to regain their footing. The committee of solicitors will begin their work at once and go from door to door to receive aid. It is to be hoped that none who can give even a little will withhold what they can give. Surely others, whose more able will their utmost. All persons are warned to give aid to no solicitor except those whose names are published below as the proper ones for their wards. If a solicitor has overlooked any people they can take their donations to the headquarters of distributing committee at 35 West Centre street, where the contributions will be received and handed over to the treasurer.

The headquarters will be open every afternoon between the hours of 1 and 4 and from 8 to 9 at night. The gentlemen in charge are Messrs. Patrick Conry, T. J. Davies and T. R. Edwards.

The following are the soliciting committees appointed for the respective wards: First ward, Patrick Conry, Michael Graham and W. D. Chumajewski. Second, Michael P. Conry and George Walatka. Third, John J. Rohlin, Fred Keithan, Messrs. Owens and John A. Heilly. Fourth, P. J. Gaughan and T. J. Davies. Fifth, John L. Hassler, Christ Schmidt and Patrick Hanley.

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Col. Brown Returns.

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Defective Fire.

At about eight o'clock last night the fire department was called to a house situated between the southern end of Emerick street and P. & R. railroad, but the fire was extinguished by a bucket brigade and the services of the department were not required. A defective fuse caused the trouble.

Biggest Bargains.

Ever known in fashionable umbrellas, containing the "Royal" Lock Bins, which enables anyone to perfectly roll an umbrella. At MAX LEVIT'S, 15 East Centre street.

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George Kvell, of Tamaqua, a freight train conductor employed on the P. & R. R., fell from a box car at Gordon this morning and was seriously injured about the head.

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THE NATION'S ABLE RULERS

President McKinley and His Advisers at Washington.

C. N. BLISS FOR THE INTERIOR.

The announcement of the distinguished New Yorker's acceptance of the Portfolio Expected To-day-Major McKinley Dines With President and Mrs. Cleveland.

Washington, March 3.—The national capital today shelters the outgoing and incoming cabinets and vice-presidents, and preparations for the grand ceremonies marking the change of administrations go on with feverish haste and bustle. Major McKinley and Mr. Hobart were welcomed to their future home by one of those glorious bright days such as Washington takes pride in, when in the mood, the entry of the two was made with little ceremony and comparatively slight public demonstration.

A large crowd had assembled at the Pennsylvania station long before the train bearing Major McKinley arrived.



INTERESTING MINING STATISTICS.

Shamokin, Pa., March 3.—The annual report of the Secretary of the anthracite district for the year ending Dec. 31, 1896, has just been completed by Mine Inspector Brennan. It shows that the 47 mines produced 5,600,000 tons of coal, a decrease of 200,000 tons from the preceding year. Employment was given to 20,195 men and boys an average of 170 days each. There were 78 fatal and 305 non-fatal accidents, creating 21 widows and 27 orphans.

Needed Wages for Mine Workers.

Hazleton, Pa., March 3.—A cut in wages, to go into immediate effect, was announced by the Lehigh and Wilkes-Barre Coal Company yesterday. The miners bear the heaviest reduction. Those receiving \$10 a month are reduced to \$7.50, and all other employees down to laborers are cut in proportion, the latter from 50 to 80 cents a day. It is announced that the Lehigh Valley Coal company will make a similar reduction.

Fatally Assaulted With an Ax.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., March 3.—During a drunken row at Dallas George and John Emmert, both employed as boardhouse keepers, Michael Borner, with an ax, the man's skull was fractured, and he will die. The Bossert brothers took to the woods, but they were pursued by a posse of citizens and placed under arrest.

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Hooks and Eyes, per sheet, 1c
Embroidery Cotton, 3 spools, 5c
Wash Silk, 2 skeins, 5c
White Tape, 3 rolls, 5c
Rubber Fine Combs, two for 5c
Aluminum Hair Pins, dozen, 8c
Four in Rubber Hair Pins, 3 for 5c
Five Cent Drawing Tablet 2c
Damp-Proof Matches, 3 dozen boxes 10c
Heavy Tin Spoons, per doz. 3c
Children's Mugs 6c
Laundry Blue, 2 large boxes, 5c
Heavy Mining Bottles, 1 qt. 6c

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10 CENTS for a Window Shade or 3 for a quarter. Others 15c. or two for a quarter, spring roller. Shades made to fit any window, especially store windows. Call for bargains in Carpets and Oil Cloths.

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Get a Brush that is built right—costs more, but gives more satisfaction than a dozen "cheap" ones. Our best are the best.

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RUSSELL A. ALDER WAR New York, had been given a hint of the movement and greeted the new president before any one else. Mr. McKinley, once inside the hotel, entered an elevator and was at once carried up (Continued on Third Page.)