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15 East Centre St.

**DRY GOODS.**

Never in the history of this store has there been such a magnificent display of Spring Dry Goods and the prices at which we are selling them were never so low.

It will pay you to look through our stock of staple and fancy dress goods for spring wear—high grade fabrics can be yours for much less money than you would expect to pay. Fine all-wool Henriettes, 45 inches wide, in black and colored, at 45c, 50c, 55c, 75c and \$1.00. Fine novelty dress goods from 25c to \$1.50 per yd.; high-grade silks, the best that skillful weaving can produce at less than city prices.

Ladies' Dress Skirts, a large stock to select from, at \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.75 and \$8.00.

Children's White Dresses, a large line, from 25c to \$2.25.

**CARPETS.**—Our entire second floor is devoted to this branch of our business and is packed to its utmost capacity with the choicest designs and best makes of the leading manufacturers.

Butterick paper patterns, the recognized standard of the world, always in stock. Fashion sheets free.

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# 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.

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Elegant line of new effects in **DRESS STUFFS**—consisting of **BLACK AND COLORED SILKS** for Waists and Skirts. Also **Wool and Cotton Dress Goods** of all the latest styles.

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For the Spring Trade.

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**SING WAH'S NEW LAUNDRY!**

34 W. Centre St.

Our Prices are as low as the lowest.  
We do First-class Work.

# EASTER '97.

Just received a lot of

## Fancy California Oranges,

Large, Juicy and Sweet.

**CHOICE LEMONS,** 2 Doz. 25 Cents.

# FRESH BUTTER.

We received this week a lot of strictly Fresh Fancy Butter, from the best dairies of Northern Pennsylvania. Also our usual supply of Fancy CREAMERY BUTTER.

**FOR GOOD BREAD**

USE

# "Daisy Flour"

Made by Aqueduct Mill.

**At KEITER'S.**

**PERSONAL MENTION.**

S. A. Beddall, of Tanawana, was a visitor to town today.

Rev. H. F. O'Reilly was a visitor to Hazelton today.

Miss Nellie Baird has come to Plymouth to spend the Easter holidays.

David B. Thomas, of Nanticoke, was the guest of the Dove family yesterday.

Mrs. Woods and daughters, Sophie and Tillie, were Mahanoy City visitors yesterday afternoon.

Dr. J. W. Erwin and Samuel Greiter have gone on a fishing trip to Beaver Valley and Long Hollow.

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Talley, of Baltimore, Md., are enjoying with the McKean family on North White street.

Grant Leslie, accompanied by his college associate, Mr. Gill, both students at Lehigh University, are spending their Easter vacation at the home of the former.

Kendrick House Free Lunch.  
Claim soup will be served free, to all patrons to-night.

**NEW TELEPHONE LINE.**

Its Construction Will Begin Within the Week.

The officials of the new telephone company held a meeting at Ashland this week, and decided to begin construction of the line within the next ten days. E. B. Hunter, treasurer, and ex-Senator B. J. Monaghan, both stockholders of the company, were present at the meeting.

The line that they propose to construct will connect at Mt. Carmel with the line of the Shenandoah Valley Telephone Co., and will run through to Potomac, connecting all the important towns of Schuylkill county, including Shenandoah. At Lehigh connection will be made with the line being constructed by Hazleton and Wilkesbarre capitalists, and which will run through to Wilkesbarre.

The central office of the company will probably be at Ashland. The service will be of the best, and the rates will be far below those charged by the present company, and consequently the new line will be brought into more general use. Quite a large number of subscribers have already been secured in this and other towns in the county.

The advent of this new telephone line has been anxiously looked for by many people in this valley, who are desirous of taking advantage of the service, and who hope that the present announcement is a substantial one.

At Keychinski's Arcade Cafe.  
Sauz krouni, pork and mashed potatoes to-night.

Hot lunch to-morrow morning.

Shirt Waists.  
Fashion's creations in ladies' shirt waists have reached a point where it would seem that nothing more attractive and beautiful could be produced. Yet we are adding new lots in new designs, colorings and fabrics continually. Fancy laces and perales. The newest patterns, detachable collars, new style sleeves. Fancy collared silk waists, Remembrance, a skirt and two and a half shirt waists, and you have an entire new wardrobe at a very limited cost.

**Mrs. Growcott Dead.**

Romana, wife of Richard Growcott, of 115 East Centre street, died yesterday afternoon of dropsy and Bright's disease, of which she had been a sufferer for three years. Deceased was 41 years of age and is survived by her husband and two daughters, aged 14 and 11 years. Funeral will take place from the family residence on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with services at the home. Interment will be made in the Odd Fellows' cemetery.

**At It Again.**

The well-known price killers, Rubinsky & Friedman, who some time ago astonished the community with their rock bottom prices, are at it AGAIN. Here is a sample of their sterling prices: 9 dozen of eggs, guaranteed to be strictly fresh, for \$1.00. All other goods in their line, especially the different grades of flour, at extremely low prices, thus proving this remarkable assertion. We ask you to call on us at our store, 295 West Centre street, next door to J. P. Cardin's wall paper store.

**Interesting Services.**

The services held in the United Evangelical church are attracting large audiences. The services are very interesting. This evening Rev. W. A. Shoemaker, pastor of the United Evangelical church at Locust Dale, will occupy the pulpit. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

**Easter Flowers.**

We will have a fine variety of Easter flowers arriving Thursday and Friday. At Coslett's, 30 South Main street.

**Birthday Party.**

Bertha, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles New, of West Coal street, celebrated her fifth birthday anniversary last evening by serving refreshments and entertaining the following friends: Robert Hessler, Mildred Zimmerman, Bertha Zimmerman, Florence Smoyer, Naomi Lehmler, Anna Stroughin, V. Ginia Young, Bessie, Josie and Robert Dunn, Katie and Hannah Nitcher, Mariam Kistler, Gertrude Rosby, Willie and Lenard Manley, Albert Jackson, Lillie and Hattie Davis, Bertha and Charles New, Maud and Sadie Schoener, Gertrude Hessler, Mrs. Hessler, Mrs. Lehmler, Mrs. Rosby and Mrs. Annie Johnson.

**Sacrifice Bargains.**

In crush and stiff hats, fancy laced shirts and neckwear for the Easter trade. At J. Obelisky's, 23 West Centre street.

**Meetings in the M. E. Church.**

Every evening the song service begins at 7:15. The people show their interest by keeping up good congregations from night to night. Last night the pastor dwelt in his discourse, upon the lessons from Jesus in Gethsemane. This evening Rev. I. M. Gable, pastor of Mahanoy City M. E. church, will preach the sermon. An invitation is extended to all who can do so, to unite in these timely observances of the solemn lessons of Passion Week.

**Sale of School Bonds.**

Subscribers will be received at the office of the Secretary of the School Board, in the West street school building, for the sale of twenty-five thousand (\$25,000) dollars worth of Shenandoah School District bonds. The bonds will bear date of April 1, 1897, and will run thirty years. Interest four per cent, payable semi-annually. Denominations: Twenty \$100 bonds, twenty \$200 bonds, and thirty-eight \$500 bonds.

By order of the Board,  
J. J. PRICE, President.  
Attest—FRANK HANNA, Secretary.

When billious or constipated, eat a Cascoet candy cathartic, cure guaranteed, 10c, 25c.

## FURTHER INQUIRY.

LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATORS AGAIN AT MAHANAY CITY.

### AT SHENANDOAH TO-MORROW

THE SESSIONS HERE WILL BE OF MUCH INTEREST.

**MOREA PAY CHECKS IN EVIDENCE**

One Witness Testifies That For Two Weeks He Received But \$1.00 in Cash and \$1.50 of That Amount He Paid to the Laborer—Full and Complete Report.

Special Staff Correspondence.

MAHANAY CITY, April 15, 1897.

The Miners' Investigating Committee arrived here at 10:30 o'clock last evening. They were billed to reach Mahanoy City at an earlier hour in the evening. Their delay in arriving here was due to the fact that the members remained at Harrisburg until the adjournment of the Legislature last night at 6:00 o'clock. The gentlemen of the commission are Senators Meredith and Haines, Representatives Roberts, Dunlap and Campbell. Senator Meredith is chairman of the committee. Edward L. King is the stenographer. Shortly after the arrival of the commission the members retired to their respective rooms, in order to be better prepared for their work.

Because of their late arrival the members were slow in getting down to work this morning. First among them to make their appearance was Representative Roberts, Senators Meredith and Haines, shortly after 8:00 o'clock, who patiently awaited the arrival of their colleagues to join them at breakfast at 9:00 o'clock.

Representative Roberts stated to your representatives that he believed the commission would conclude its work here to-day and open its sessions at Shenandoah to-morrow morning at 9:00 o'clock, in the Ferguson House parlors. When asked whether a session would be held here this evening, Representative Roberts was unable to answer definitely. His manner, however, indicated that a morning and afternoon session would suffice, so far as the members of the commission are concerned, unless developments at the afternoon session indicated that an evening session would bring out something of importance bearing upon the subject under investigation. It is not thought that such will be the case, and that but two sessions will be held here.

Attention is called to the fact that some of the newspapers throughout the state have got Representative Campbell, of Fayette, confounded with one of the members of the commission. He is not a member. J. C. Campbell, of Westmoreland, is on the commission.

The sessions of the committee at Shenandoah will likely be of a much more interesting character than those that have been held, judging from the manner of those who have been subpoenaed to appear before the committee. Among the residents of Shenandoah who will furnish the committee with what knowledge they possess of the subject are James Robbins, Comedian Patrick Hand, John McCutchen, George Wood, Daniel J. Richards, Robert Lee, Councilman Martin Lally, Elias Webster, ex-Councilman A. B. Lamb, James A. Kalbach, Frank Wilson, William Senger, Supt. John J. Bendigan, Health Officer Patrick Conry, David Brown and many others.

At the hour of 9:00 o'clock arrived the perch, office and corridors of the hotel were dotted with people waiting to either hear or testify, having been previously notified that their presence was desired. Sergeant-at-Arms Egan served a number of subpoenas this morning, the names having been furnished since the committee's arrival here.

At about 9:30 o'clock the committee retired to the hotel parlors for a brief executive session, and fifteen minutes later they invited the witnesses and representatives of the press to their apartments. Among the attendants was Senator John J. Coyle, who addressed a number of questions to several of the witnesses. All members of the commission were marked present at 9:35, when Chairman Meredith made the announcement that he wanted to avoid, if possible, a night session.

The first witness called was Dr. C. T. Hoffmann, resident physician of Morea. He testified that the coal company collects so much a month from the men to pay him. They do not charge me for collections. There is no deduction of the kind requiring my care that I know of. Seventy-five cents a month is collected from married men, which pays for medical attendance upon every member of their family, and 30 cents is collected from single men. I furnish medicine, as a general thing I think the people are well satisfied, and am not aware

of the result if a man should object to making payment. I attend to all cases. Attended one family for three years and never received a cent, because the man had no money. I know of other cases of like character. Employees are not supposed to employ outside physicians. When I went to Morea seven years ago work was abundant; I think our colliery worked the full quota during most of the time up to a month ago, when I went South. Am a graduate of Jefferson College, Philadelphia, and graduated in 1870. I kept posted in advanced medical practice.

EDWARD McGLYNN.

Edward McGlynn, miner, Morea, called and sworn. Been at Morea for nearly eight years. Worked during that time on breaker work. Think I worked 100 days during 1895. Since January 1st have worked about 70 days. Have not been able to support my family since January 1st. I worked by the car, and got 55 cents per car, which is supposed to hold three tons. Generally food, with my partner, about five cars a day. Day laborer \$1.70 a day, whether he loads four or six cars. When I work miners get all the cars they need, there are not too many men there. Get all the cars I can load; pay \$9.00 per keg for powder. I average about \$2.00 per day when I work and average 13 days a month. I work at the Morea colliery. Don't know exactly how much difference between those at the Morea store and the store at Mahanoy City. If anything the former are a little fairer. I don't buy all my goods at Morea. At the latter store 15 cents a gallon for coal oil is charged, and 12 cents if you buy five gallons. Have paid the same prices in Mahanoy City.

Have no complaint to make against the doctor at his charges, but I would rather pay a doctor as I needed him; but the patient might die before a doctor could drive from Mahanoy City to Morea. Have always found Dr. Hoffman willing and ready to respond to calls promptly. After I load a car I get paid, and the contents go to the breaker, the rest of the coal is taken out, I have never been docked.



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Absolutely Pure.

Celebrated for its great leavening strength and healthfulness. Assures the food against staling and all forms of adulteration common to the cheap brands.

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## A BIG BATTLE IS EXPECTED.

Spaniards Will Make an Attempt to Capture Banes.

STRONGLY HELD BY INSURGENTS.

The Spaniards Succeeded in Nearly Destroying the Town, But This Far Have Been Unable to Storm the Fortifications Erected.

Havana, April 15.—Banes, an important port on the north coast, near Gibara, from which go heavy annual exports of bananas and coconuts to the United States, was almost entirely destroyed by the Spaniards yesterday.

The expedition under General Roloff, by the steamer Laurada, carrying 2,400 rifles, 500,000 cartridges and several pieces of rapid firing artillery, landed alongside the quay at Banes. General Calixto Garcia, with 2,000 men, came to protect the convoy of arms, and ammunition, but as Roloff had no men to arm Garcia was compelled to carry the arms into the interior.

It is reported that the insurgents, hearing that a Spanish gunboat might arrive at any moment, closed the entrance of the port with torpedoes. General Roloff, assisted by local bands, and finally by the soldiers under General Garcia, commenced to fortify the city around the port, hastily casting up trenches to make the port temporarily impregnable to any Spanish forces in the neighborhood of Gibara.

The gunboats Nueva Espana and Medelia had arrived at Nipe from Havana. The cruiser Reina Mercedes had left Havana on the 12th with four companies of marines and infantry under the command of Rear Admiral Murguio to unite with all the forces which had left Nipe and Gibara, with a view to the insurgent position for the recovery of the port of Banes.

Nipe is separated from Banes by the San Hemon peninsula. Three columns, 2,000 men in all, marched to Banes, where they are detained in full view of the formidable and nearly impregnable insurgent positions.

Reinforcements have been sent forward by the Spaniards, and Admiral Navarro sailed today by the cruiser Leguani for the Caribbean and thence for Nipe, to personally direct the attack by sea. The reinforcements expected will be under General Livaros.

Evidently an important battle is in sight if the insurgents try to defend their advantageous stronghold and their claim of being able to hold a seaport. Great anxiety exists with reference to the Garrison of 100 men in the fort defending the quay at Banes. It is believed they will be compelled to surrender for lack of water and supplies.

**Exports and Imports.**

Washington, April 15.—The monthly statement of the bureau of statistics shows that during the month of March the exports of domestic merchandise amounted to \$25,409,425, a gain of over \$1,000,000 as compared with March, 1896. The imports of merchandise during March aggregated \$76,372,831, an increase of about \$10,000,000. Of the total amount of exports \$11,122,201 was free of duty. For the nine months there was an increase in the exports of domestic merchandise as compared with the same period in 1896 of about \$141,000,000, and a loss of about \$109,000,000 in the imports. The excess of exports over imports during March amounted to nearly \$10,000,000, and during the nine months it amounted to \$22,251,519, as compared with \$70,500,561 for the same period last year.

**New York's Postmaster Resigns.**

New York, April 15.—Postmaster Dayton yesterday sent a letter to the president tendering his resignation. In his letter he says: "I value very highly the compliment conveyed by your twice made request that I continue to serve, but my long neglected personal affairs demand my attention, and the New York postoffice will not suffer by my retirement." The resignation of Mr. Dayton's successor will be Cornelius Van Cott, who was postmaster during the Harrison administration.

**To Bid on Russian Armor Plate.**

Pittsburg, April 15.—It is reported that the Carnegie company, of this city, has been invited by the Russian government to bid on armor plate for two first class battleships. The Carnegie officials will not talk on the subject, neither confirming nor denying the report. If the contract comes here it will mean the continuance of the armor plant which was expected to close down on June 1. The Russian contract will be for between \$2,000,000 and \$2,000,000.

**Struquehanna Shad Fishery Safe.**

Lancaster, Pa., April 15.—The leak which occurred in the oil pipe line crossing the Struquehanna near Shenandoah, Pa., allowing the escape of a quantity of oil, which affected the early run of shad, has been repaired, and the river is now wholly free of oil, having been carried off by the high water. The shad were in no wise affected by the escaping oil, and what they retained at one time to be a serious menace to the Struquehanna shad fishery has been averted.

**Many Postoffice Changes.**

Washington, April 15.—Yesterday's list of appointments of fourth class postmasters was a record breaker for this administration. The total was 192, the largest number of daily appointments since the early days of the last administration. There were 55 resignations, 5 appointments were due to deaths, 41 postmasters were removed at the expiration of four years' service and another removal was due to a small delinquency.

**Don't Pay For Presents.**

You get 100 cents worth for every dollar you leave us, consequently we can't afford to give presents away neither with our men's, boys' or children's clothing.

**TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY**  
Take Laxative Broom Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25 cents.

## WINDOW SHADES

A BURST OF BARGAIN SUNLIGHT.

On the grand highway that leads to good fortune; every purchase made of us is a stepping stone nearer the goal. Every transaction is a bargain, therefore a money saving investment. Hence for bargains now in Window Shades, we have the style, quality and assortment, and at prices that will astonish you. All shades mounted on best spring rollers from 10c. up to 90c., comprising shades with and without fringe, laces and lace inserting, high grade and low prices. This is what we strive to give you; this is what we do give.

## The BEE-HIVE

29 South Main Street.

Near Post Office.

Reduced in Price.

The announcement of A. L. Graf, the western manufacturer, appears in our advertising columns, and it will prove of special interest to those who contemplate beautifying their lots in the cemetery before Decoration Day. Mr. Graf has reduced the price of iron fences from now until the 29th of May, after that date the old rate will be in vogue. He has some very pretty styles to select from.

**Breen's Italian Cafe Free Lunch.**

Vegetable soup to-night.  
Hot lunch to-morrow morning.  
Meals at all hours.  
Free continuous photographic entertainment.  
All the latest songs and band marches.

**Horse Runs Away.**

The horse of ex-Water Superintendent Oscar Bettegilde ran away yesterday afternoon at the time killed and was not stopped until it reached Turkey Run. Mr. Bettegilde was thrown out of the carriage, but not seriously injured. The carriage was badly damaged and the horse sustained several cuts about the legs.

**THE NOBLEST THIS SEASON.**

The Le Roy stiff hat in black and brown, with a narrow satin band, nice shape and good quality, the best \$2.00 hat known to the trade. At MAX LEVIT'S.

**Bicker's Cafe.**

Boston Baked Beans to-night.  
Roast potatoes, fried shad and dressing to-morrow morning.  
Umbrellas from 50 cents to \$7.00. Also old umbrellas re-covered while you wait. At Brunner's.

**Now Comes Easter.**

A joyous season is Easter time, and you can add to the enjoyment of it by getting your Dyes and Fresh Eggs at our store; we have a large supply of both, which we are selling very cheap. Our California Canned Goods are the finest in the market.

**T. J. BROUGHALL,**

25 South Main Street.

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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10 S. Jardin Street.

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The best drugs to take are—

**SARSAPARILLA.**—Used for chronic rheumatism, scrofulous affections, skin diseases, IODIDE OF POTASSIUM.—Valuable for chronic ulceration, inflammation, enlargements, skin diseases, etc.

**YELLOW DOCK, Tonic, Laxative.**—Used in skin diseases, etc.

**FRICKLY ASH, Tonic, Stimulant.**—Used in rheumatism and liver complaints.

**DANDELION, Tonic, Diuretic, Laxative.**—Used for dyspepsia, liver complaint.

These drugs all tend to aid the process of nutrition, and restore the normal functions of the system. They are all combined in

**FOWLER'S SARSAPARILLA**

**THE BEST OF THEM ALL.**

**KIRLIN'S DRUG STORE,**

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