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Worth \$1.25 a pair, reduced to 75c. Good only for one week.

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Our stock of Thanksgiving goods is full and complete.

NEW RAISINS, ALL 1897 CROP.

- New Muscatels, 3 lbs for 25c; New Sultanas, 3 lbs for 25c; Seedless, 3 lbs for 25c; Layer Clusters, 2 lbs for 25c; New Cleaned Currants, New Citron, Lemon and Orange Peel; New Sliced Citron - Ready for use; New Prunes, 2, 3 and 4 lbs for 25 cents; New Evaporated Peaches, Plums, Apricots and Pears; New Figs and Dates.

NEW MINCE MEAT.

We sell nothing but the best old fashioned mince meat. We sell no new style or cheap mince meat at any price.

OUR MIXED NUTS for Thanksgiving consist of the best grades. New crop, Paper Shell Almonds, Grenoble Walnuts, Sicily Filberts, Texas Pecans and Brazil Cream Nuts. No old nuts among them.

New Crop New Orleans Baking Molasses - Pure, Straight, Open Kettle Goods.

New Pickles by the dozen. Fresh, Crisp and Sour. New Sweet Pickles. Crosse and Blackwell's Imported Pickles and Chow Chow.

New York State Fancy Full Cream Cheese. Fancy Creamery Butter, Always Fresh.

At KEITER'S.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast for Thursday: Fair to partly cloudy, slightly warmer weather and fresh southwesterly to southwesterly winds, followed by snow or rain in the northern districts.

FOREMAN CENSURED.

Inquest Held on the North Mahanoy Colliery Accident. Mahanoy City, Dec. 8. - The inquiry into the cause of the accident at the P. & E. C. & I. Co.'s North Mahanoy colliery on Thursday, last, by which William A. Steele, Sr., and Martin Whittick met their deaths, was concluded last night. The jury rendered a verdict finding that the victims met their deaths by the breaking of the plane rope; and that the accident was due to the negligence of Swance Eltringham, the outside foreman at the colliery, in failing to recheck the rope. Eltringham tendered his resignation from his position at the colliery and it will take effect on the 15th inst.

An Excellent Company.

Shenandoah was again well represented at Kaler's Grand Opera House, Mahanoy City, last evening to witness the production of "Alone in London" by the Payton Comedy Company, the best repertoire company that has appeared in this region at popular prices. Each member of the company is an artist, and the stage properties are both elegant and artistic, including the old St. Louis House on the banks of the river Thames with a flood of flowing water. Between acts specialties were introduced by Stutz and West, Miss DeCosta and Baby June, and historic scenes were thrown upon canvases from the projectoscope. Quite a number of people from town witnessed the matinee this afternoon, at which "East Lynne" was presented. This evening the company will produce that strong comedy, "Member of Congress," at which new and pleasing specialties will be introduced. The theatre-goers of this town have an opportunity of enjoying high-priced plays at popular prices amid the comforts of a pretty opera house.

On the Rampage.

This afternoon Anthony Kalbach of West Coal street, was arraigned before Justice Touney on a charge of malicious mischief preferred by Adam Lostonki. The complainant swore that Kalbach entered his house, broke considerable of the furniture and tore down the stove piping. In the yard he broke the hydrant. The prisoner furnished \$800 bail.

Work on the Reading.

Special to EVENING HERALD. Mahanoy City, Dec. 8. - A south-bound Philadelphia & Reading coal train was wrecked in the Mahanoy tunnel at 4:30 this morning. As the train was going through the tunnel it broke and the two parts came together at the southern end of the tunnel was reached. Four men were wrecked and the tracks were blocked for several hours. None of the crew suffered injury.

Fiftieth Anniversary.

The fiftieth anniversary of the Patriotic Order Sons of America will be appropriately celebrated to-morrow evening by Washington Camp No. 206, in their lodge room in the Mellet building. The Gilbert lodge team will be present, and have charge of the initiatory ceremony. A number of candidates will be initiated, after which a literary and musical program will be rendered. Refreshments will be served. An invitation is extended to members of sister camps to be present, and an enjoyable evening is assured them.

Awarded the Contract.

Contractor M. P. Quinn, of Pottsville, who has just completed the large reservoir for the Pottsville Water Co., has been awarded the work of repairing and enlarging reservoirs Nos. 2 and 3 at Haven Run by the Girard Estate. These dams now have a capacity of about 1,000,000 gallons, but they will be very much enlarged by the time Mr. Quinn is through with his work, which will consume an entire season. Work on them will be begun early next spring.

A Mighty Nice Thing for Coughs.

What! Pan-Tina, 25c. At Grubler Bros., drug store.

A Holy Day.

Owing to the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin being observed in all the Roman Catholic churches to-day the collieries of the P. & E. C. & I. Co. and Lehigh Valley Coal Company were idle. Special services were held in the Annunciation, St. George Lithuanian and St. Casimir's Polish Roman Catholic churches of town this morning.

Kendrick House Free Lunch.

Vegetable soup will be served, free, to all patrons to-night.

More Improvements.

The second story front of the building occupied by Conroy & James 5 and 10 cent store has been transformed into a large show window. It is the intention of the proprietors to illuminate it with an arc light which will cast its brilliant rays on the many pretty things to be offered to holiday shoppers.

Citizens' Committee.

A meeting of the Citizens' Standing Committee will be held at the HERALD office, No. 8 South Jardin street, on Friday evening, 10th inst., at 7 o'clock, sharp, to make arrangements for the Spring election. By order of DAVID S. SPENCER, Pres.

When bilious or constive, eat a Cascaret

sandy cathartic, cure guaranteed 10c. 25c.

Humored Changes.

It is reported that Messrs. Herman Home and Lewis Calk, now members of the Lost Creek engineering corps of the Lehigh Valley Coal Company, are to be transferred to the Central headquarters of the Shamokin division. Inquiry into the report to-day brought the information that nothing definite had been settled upon in that direction.

For Rent.

Store-room and dwelling, 7 rooms. Apply at 19 South Jardin street. 11-37-11

A Coming Tanamqua Fight.

Articles of agreement have been drawn up for a fight between Mike Kearns, of Tanamqua, and Patsy Donovan, of Philadelphia, for the bantam championship of the state, to consist of ten rounds, to take place at Tanamqua, on the evening of Dec. 9, for a large purse. The sum of \$25 has already been placed.

One Dollar for a Carcass.

Telephone or telegraph to M. Ulrich & Son, Ashland, Pa., when you have a dead horse, mule or cow. They will pay you \$1.00 and remove it promptly. 11-30-11

ATTACK ON CIVIL SERVICE.

General Grosvenor, of Ohio, Fires the First Gun. ROW OVER PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

The Ways and Means Committee and the Banking and Currency Committee at Odds over the Distribution of the Various Subjects.

Washington, Dec. 8. - The session of the house yesterday, though it lasted but two hours, witnessed a very lively skirmish over the question of distributing the president's message to the various committees clothed with jurisdiction over the subjects dealt with. The conflict of authority came between the ways and means committee and the banking and currency committee. Chairman Walker and other members of the latter committee believed that the language of the resolution for distribution, which offered all matters relating "to the revenues, the national finances, the public debt, the preservation of the government credit and to the treatment of the business branches affecting the revenues," to the ways and means committee would rob their committee of all jurisdiction over the question of impounding the greenbacks, as recommended by the president.

During the debate General Grosvenor, of Ohio, was the first gun against the civil service law, and this also brought the friends and enemies of that measure into action. It was noticeable that the galleries seemed to sympathize with the opponents of the measure, but Mr. Johnson, of Indiana, in a ringing warning, declared that it is a bill to annihilate the civil service law were passed it would meet the presidential veto. Mr. Grosvenor declared that he had kept in touch with the sentiment of the country, and that if the civil service question were submitted to the people west of the Allegheny mountains the civil service law were passed it would meet the presidential veto.

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GENERAL GROSVENOR.

In denunciation of "life tenure in office" he met with uproarious applause from the galleries, in which many members on a government for the people and by the people, he declared, and no man should be excluded from participation in the executive branch of the government by accident of birth or the misfortune of early education, who was otherwise qualified. Ohio, he said, had declared the civil service law, and was opposed to building up an office-holding class in this country.

Mr. Brosius, of Pennsylvania, the chairman of the committee on civil service, defended the law and the president's interpretation of it. It was for the executive to administer it. He had power to correct any mistakes that had been made, and he thought his administration should be left there. He thought any attempt to legislate upon the question must be regarded as an indignity to the executive.

Mr. Bailey, of Texas, commended Mr. Grosvenor's denunciation of the law, but was opposed to building up an office-holding class in this country. Eventually Mr. Dingley, in deference to the opposition of the members of the banking and currency committee, agreed to a modification of the order of distribution so as to send to the ways and means committee all matters relating to the revenues, the bonded debt of the country and the treaties affecting the revenues. The resolution was then adopted.

After the session Chairman Walker claimed he had won a decisive victory, and that his committee, under the order, would have jurisdiction over a measure to, as he expressed it, "convert the greenbacks into gold certificates," but members of the ways and means committee insisted that the changes of verbiage in the order would not affect their jurisdiction, and that a measure such as the president suggested, if introduced in the house, would be referred to their committee.

A new member, in Mr. H. DeS. Money, of Mississippi, was introduced in the senate yesterday, and after some brief criticism of the form of his credentials the oath of office was administered to him. Mr. Money was assigned to the seat formerly occupied by Mr. Daniel, of Virginia, the latter securing the seat in the senate of the Democratic ticket which was occupied by the late Senator George. During the session 198 bills, many of which were private pension measures, were introduced. In addition to several joint resolutions and some senate resolutions, an interesting conference for procedure in consideration between Mr. Lodge's former bill and the proposed legislation to confer authority upon the president to act for the protection of the government's interest at the sale of the Kansas Pacific railroad was pending at the close of the session.

thereof of an equal amount of gold coin. Such gold, when secured, to be held in said division as part of the general redemption fund.

Murder in the First Degree. - Scranton, Pa., Dec. 8. - The trial of George K. Van Horn for killing Mrs. Josephine Westcott, which began Nov. 29, ended yesterday in a verdict of murder in the first degree. Van Horn cut his victim's throat with a razor; she killed him, and he laid in wait for her in the cellar of her house. He will be sentenced Saturday.

Chicken soup, free, to-night. Baked beans and pork to-morrow morning.

Well Patronized. - Welsh Bros. "Old Southern Life" Minstrels drove an immense audience to Ferguson's theatre last evening and standing room was at a premium. The performance consisted of the old-time negro minstrelsy opening in which the sentimental and comic vocalists and witty end men amused the audience for a half hour, or more, and closed a grand finale of singing, dancing to the strains of banjo, mandolin and guitar accompaniment. This is followed by an olio in which George B. Lowery and J. D. Jenkins, the local favorite comedians, appear to excellent advantage. They add to their song and dance specialty a skit that caused the audience to roar with laughter and their part of the performance is the feature. Both are very droll in their actions and sayings and keep an audience in good humor without effort. George T. Boyd, female impersonator, Clemmie Harris, contortionist, Clarence Cisel, monologist, Johnson and Bernard, buck and wing dancers, and C. P. Stinson, banjo and mandolin artist, make up the balance of the olio. The latter is an expert performer. The program closed with a farce entitled "Free Day in Dixie," in which scenes of merriment during the slavery days are depicted and buck and wing dancing predominates. The feature of this part of the program was the dancing of Master Harry Gibbons, who was not allowed to retire until he responded to an encore.

Melodrama Cafe. - Cham soup, free, to-night. Hot lunch to-morrow morning.

Jurors Drawn. - The following are among those drawn as jurors for Criminal court commencing Monday, January 10, 1898: M. J. Leahy, saloon, Gilberton. Ben. O'Donnell, Jr., laborer, Mahanoy City. Lewis F. Sanner, painter, Frackville. Nicholas Wagner, miner, Mahanoy City. Edw. Natchez, laborer, Gilberton. Enoch Ball, laborer, Gilberton. Geo. Garrett, driver, Mahanoy City. Nathan Williams, merchant, Girardville. Geo. Post, music teacher, Mahanoy City. Daniel Beddes, gent, Shenandoah. John Watson, laborer, Shenandoah. Adolph Tim, miner, Mahanoy City. Henry Dingle, miner, Frackville. Joseph Grady, laborer, Girardville. Joseph Goddard, miner, Girardville. Fred Kull, Jr., cabinet maker, Ashland.

At Kropchinski's Arcade Cafe. - Vegetable soup, free, to-night. Hot lunch to-morrow morning.

The Costs Are Heavy. - The costs in the suit of the Commonwealth against the School Directors of West Mahanoy township, convicted of misdemeanor at the last term of Criminal Court, will amount to \$1,159.74. One hundred and two witnesses for the prosecution attended court during the September session, when the case was postponed and the same number were present at the November term. The costs in the case of the J. Jerome O'Neil (that case in which he was convicted, P. J. Ferguson, of Lost Creek, being the prosecutor), will amount to \$416.38. In the first case a motion is now pending for a new trial before Judge Bechtel. The costs will amount to the O'Neil case.

Brown's Bluff Cafe. - Bean soup, free, to-night. Hot lunch to-morrow morning.

A Note Musicians. - From Hadeston Sentinel. Samuel Davis, of Wm. Penn, is a new resident of Hadeston. He will remove his family here at an early date. Mr. Davis is reputed to be the leading vocalist and teacher of music in Schuylkill county, and critics say he is the only man heretofore capable of making Prof. Resser, of Mahanoy City, take a back seat in music. Mrs. Davis is a noted soprano, and her songs and duets are all vocalists and musicians of high standing. In Shenandoah they are known as the "musical family." Mr. Davis will become a member of the Cambro-American Society, and will take an active part in the entertainment to be held here on March 17.

Don't forget the Shenandoah Fertilizing Company removes your dead animals, free of charge. 11-30-11

The State Magistrates' Association. - The State Magistrates' Association, to which "Squire" Shuman, of town, was a delegate, met in Chester yesterday and adjourned to meet on September 20, 1898, at York. An Executive Committee was appointed as follows: A. K. Sprarier, Lancaster; Charles O. Booth, Lebanon; A. L. Scott, Chester; A. J. Fager, Harrisburg; J. W. Conrad, Schuylkill; F. C. Clemens, Reading; C. F. Keetch, York. It was decided to form a stock company to publish the "Docket," which will be the official organ of the association.

A Sure Cure for Coughs and Colds. - That's what Pan-Tina is, 25c. At Grubler Bros., drug store.

Want a New Trial. - The Dubois faction of the Salem Evangelical church, of Tanamqua, are not satisfied with the verdict rendered by Judge Sarigo in favor of the Education on Saturday. The reasons given for a new trial are: The verdict was against the law; the verdict was against the evidence; the learned Judge erred in not affirming the defendant's points, No. 3 to 21 inclusive. The reasons for a new trial were filed this week.

For carcase, put a couple of drops of Thomas' Electric Oil on a bit of cotton and place it in the ear. The pain will stop in a few moments. Simple enough, isn't it?

Deaths and Funerals. - Eleanor, wife of Adam Kline, died at her home in St. Clair on the 6th inst, in her 77th year. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

James Barnes, another resident of St. Clair, died Monday while preparing to leave his home with his dairy wagon. A wife and four adult children survive him.

Have Your Dead Animals Taken away, free, by leaving word at 108 North Main street, or telephone to the Shenandoah exchange, Shenandoah Fertilizing Company. 11-30-11

TRACING TRUANTS.

Superintendent Cooper and the School Teachers in Conference. LONG LIST OF NAMES REDUCED.

Much Confusion is Caused by the Polish and Lithuanian Children Being Enrolled Under Different Names. Over Three Hundred Absentee Notices Issued.

All the public schools of town closed an hour earlier than usual yesterday afternoon to give the teachers a chance to meet Superintendent Cooper and go over the list of children who are within the school ages specified by law and do not attend school. The work was undertaken on Monday afternoon, but had to be discontinued on account of the time approaching for the night schools to open. To avoid this inconvenience it was decided to take an hour from the school work yesterday. In this way the work was finished.

The list contained the names of 434 children whose names appeared on the books of the rural assessors, but not supposed to be on the school rolls. When the superintendent and teachers got through with the evening this number was considerably reduced. It was found that many are in attendance at the schools, some have moved from the town, and others are enrolled in the schools under names different from those that appear on the books of the assessors. This was found to be the case with respect to Polish and Lithuanian children.

Of the 434 names presented the teachers accounted for 197, leaving a balance of 237 absentees still on the list. Superintendent Cooper is of the opinion, however, that investigation will reduce this balance at least fifty per cent. That the superintendent will be found enrolled in the schools under other names and some have moved from the town. Others may be found in the parochial schools. The work of conducting this examination falls upon the shoulders of Superintendent Cooper and Assistant Officer Smith. During the past few days the latter has served the notices on parents of children who have been absent five days, or more, from the schools and over 100 replies have been received.

The notices served are complete in their recital of the law regarding absentees and clearly set forth the penalties offenders must meet for non-compliance. Superintendent Cooper says: "While it is our intention to deal fairly with everybody, the school law will be rigidly enforced and prosecuted even to suits if a compliance cannot be secured otherwise. If the notices sent out fail to bring satisfactory answers, or are unanswered, the parents guilty of the neglect must be expected to be prosecuted. We have had much trouble in convincing people of what the law requires and our authority in the matter, but our work is becoming lighter and after examples are made in a few cases most of the difficulties will be removed."

Up to Date for Pains and Aches. - Everybody says Red Flag Oil, 25c. At Grubler Bros., drug store.

A HIT AND MISS.

What Newcomb Might Have Got by Less Haste. - Richard Newcomb, a boarder in the house of Fred Weeks, a saloonkeeper at Gilberton, robbed Weeks yesterday. He first secured and forced open a cash box. There was no money in it, but Newcomb secured a bunch of keys with which he opened a bureau drawer and got \$250 in cash.

The robbery was not discovered until after Newcomb disappeared. A Philadelphia detective has been put on the case and developments are expected within a few days. Had Newcomb opened a lower drawer of the bureau he would have found \$2,000 in cash. Weeks, the victim, is a brother of John W. Weeks, the saloonkeeper of town.

RELIEF FOR QUINN.

Efforts to Release Him of His Wife's Charge. - At the November term of court John Quinn, of Turkey Run, was charged with desertion by his wife and ordered to furnish \$500 as security for the payment of \$10 per month to her. Quinn was unable to give the security and has since been confined in the Pennsylvania jail. To-day his friends succeeded in procuring bail for him and it is expected that he will be released to-morrow. When this is accomplished M. M. Burke, Esq., counsel for the accused, will present to the court a petition praying that the order granting the \$10 per month be set aside, on the ground that Quinn is willing to live with his wife and offers to do so.

FREE, FREE, FREE. - GIVIN'S TWO STORES, 4 & 8 SOUTH MAIN ST.

Are you going to enter the guessing contest for that nice doll in our corner window? With every dollar purchase you are entitled to one guess. Contest closes December 20th. GIVIN'S TWO STORES, 4 & 8 SOUTH MAIN ST.

Stole Wife and Revolver. - A case which created considerable laughter and enjoyment for the spectators, was heard before Justice Touney last night. The complainant in the case is Joe Gowanaki, one of the peaceful Lithuanian residents of the "rocks." In his testimony he stated that Joe Swinkowski, the defendant, ran away with his wife about October 22nd, and also took with him a revolver valued at \$6. Nothing was heard of the runaway couple until a few days ago, when Swinkowski became tired of married life and returned to town. Since their departure they had been keeping house near Park Place. The defendant was held on a charge of adultery and the larceny of a revolver. In default of \$500 bail he was sent to jail.

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup seems just as a special providence to little folks. Pleasant to take, perfectly harmless, absolutely sure to give instant relief in all cases of cold or lung trouble.

Work for the Assessors. - The ward assessors of town to-day received their books and instructions for making the registration of voters for the Spring election. They also received blanks for the lists of births and deaths in the borough for the past six months. The assessors are now finishing their enrollment of children of school age.

Christmas - Thoughts Presents For All.

There is great fascination in buying home needs and presents for the family and friends, but this is a most difficult question for you. Consult us, we made the market a study. Profit by our experience, save time and money and travel less. The ripened fruit of our best efforts is now laid before you in assortments that any store must be justly proud of. We can satisfy your every possible want.

DRY GOODS.

Of the most staple as well as the latest novelties and Christmas Holiday Goods. This month we offer some values that fairly sparkle with attraction.

R. F. GILL, MAIN STREET. LOYD STREET.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR LITTLE MONEY.

A solid oak bed room suite, handsomely carved and has eight pieces. Our price is \$17.00

Six-foot solid oak extension tables \$3.50

High-back dining chairs, 75c

Cane Seat dining chairs, 75c

Who would not buy at such low prices. Our stock is too big, we must reduce it, hence such amazingly low prices.

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No season is so joyous as Christmas. When it comes to Christmas time people want their money to go as far as possible. We help fill stockings by giving you prices on high grade goods than ever before. We have a stock of all new goods.

Candy, Figs, Dates, Nuts, Oranges and Grapes.

Let us interest you in Groceries. The best at the right prices is our motto.

T. J. BROUGHALL, 25 South Main Street.

DUSTO'S BARBER SHOP!

Attentive and skillful tonorial artists always in attendance.

Neatest Shop in Town. W. G. DUSTO, Prop. Ferguson House Block.

GIRVIN'S

Two stores full of pretty things for Christmas and New Year, that forces you to speak of their goodness, usefulness, or prettiness. We could brag of their worth here, but that would not help our sales one iota. You are the judge and jury, your verdict bespoken to a friend is worth more to us than a barrel of printer's ink and a dozen newspapers.

Thursday afternoon of this week we will give with a ten cent purchase a package of Cream Marsh Mallows.

Don't Forget to Make a Guess for the Large Doll on Exhibit in Our Lower Windows.

GIRVIN'S, 4 & 8 SOUTH MAIN ST.