

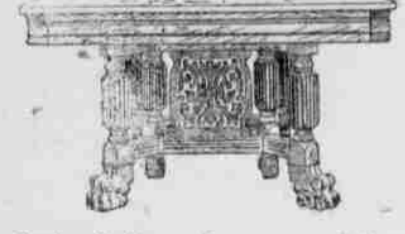
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Undertaking in - -
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Open Day and Night.
Cor. White and Lloyd Sts., SHENANDOAH, PA.

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Our Loose Coffee at 10 cents—good and cheap. Our 25 cent Coffee—extra quality—reduced from 30 cents. Our Fine Old Government Java Coffee, reduced to 35c.

No Reduction in Quality. Pan-Tina cures coughs and colds, 25c. At Grahler Bros., drug store.

For Good Bread Use DAISY Flour. For Good Pies and Cakes Use Our PASTRY Flour. Our Rye Flour is Pure Rye.

Fancy Dairy Butter This Week. Strictly Fresh Made, Equal to Creamery and Lower in Price.

Just Received--A Car of Heavy Clipped Oats.

At KEITER'S.

THE WEATHER.
The forecast for Saturday: Fair to partly cloudy weather, with slowly rising temperature and light to fresh variable winds, mostly southerly and southeasterly, followed by rain in the Lake Region.

RAPID WORK.
The "Penny" Short Line May be Operated To-morrow.
The work of repairing the bridge and trestle of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Boston Run was pushed with such vigor that at noon to-day the bridge builders had about completed their part of the work and the trackmen started in. Efforts are bent to have the branch in condition to run trains through to Pottsville to-night. The rear engine and front tank of the wrecked coal train were hauled away to the repair shops yesterday. All the wrecked cars have been burned up.

REPLY TO AN ATTACK.
Demand for the Names of the Authors by "Citizens."
ED. HERALD.—In Wednesday's issue of your valuable paper one of our would-be and self-esteemed merchants, doing business under the name of "The Famous" comments on the business methods of our towns merchants. The whole article we do not deem worthy of our notice, it being prompted only by feelings of jealousy, and were it not for a single expression in it we would pass the article by, merely giving it the contemptuous glance that the noble mastiff gives to the little snarling cur who makes a great fuss, but isn't capable or big enough to do any harm. The article referred to reads as follows: "Bear in mind the name Famous." What are we to infer from this? Usually legitimate merchants are not afraid to use their names, providing they do an honest business, and the name "Famous" or any other similar word will not be accepted by the business world and taken as a basis for credit. Our daily papers chronicle in most every issue failures of schemes to defraud creditors and the like, and in almost every instance those who are implicated in these schemes are doing business under fictitious names. Now if our esteemed friends who seem to have the interest of the people so well at heart wish to insure public confidence, let them come out and announce who they are and do away with fictitious names, which are not used by reputable people in this progressive age. Until this is done no further attention will be paid to the scurrilous attacks.

Local capital has been invested in a new powder manufacturing company which is to succeed the firm of Miller and Bacher. The new combination is known as the Fernside Powder Company and will engage in the manufacture of all grades of mining and blasting powder. Mr. G. G. Clauser is the secretary and treasurer of the company and the offices are located in the Titman block, corner of Main and Centre streets. The mill is located at Fernside, about a mile from Kingtown.

Fire at Gilberton.
At three o'clock this morning Joseph Rice, clothing and furnishing goods dealer at Gilberton, was awakened from his sleep by the stifling effects of smoke and found his store in flames. The East End fire company promptly responded to the alarm and the fire was confined to the store room. All the stock that was not destroyed by fire was damaged by water and the loss is about \$1,000. The origin of the fire is not known, but Rice thinks it was caused by a cigar stump thrown into a box of rubbish.

Conway's Special.
Special sale at Conway's 5 and 10 cent store to-morrow, 1,000 yards of floor oil cloth at 10 cents a yard.

Pleasing Entertainment.
A very enjoyable musical and literary entertainment was held last evening under the supervision of Rev. H. F. O'Reilly in the Annunciation hall on South Chestnut street. The participants were members of the senior and junior choirs of the Annunciation congregation and the program comprised choruses, quartettes, duets, vocal and instrumental solos and recitations.

Fan-Boy Overcomes.
George Barry, aged 17 years and son of Edward Barry of Gilberton, was overcome in Seaman and Gerber's colliery by black damp yesterday afternoon while he was engaged in turning a fan. The boy is in a critical condition at his home in Gilberton. As the boy never fully recovered from a sun stroke he sustained some time ago it is believed that recovery from his present attack will be somewhat retarded.

Removal Sale.
The City Cash grocery, at 239 West Centre, will remove to 213 West Centre street, about the first day of April. In order to reduce our stock we have concluded to offer it at sacrifice prices. You should take advantage of them.

"The Unknown" at Kaiser's.
Kaiser's Stock Company is filling a very successful engagement at Kaiser's opera house, Mahanoy City. This week and last night gave a very interesting and pleasing production of "A Fair Rebel." To-night the "Unknown" will be produced and "She" will be the bill at to-morrow's matinee.

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

The Finest of Beers.
The HERALD's staff of employees were treated to a sample of Lauer's hock beer, through the local agent, Christ, Schmidt. It is the finest brew this well known firm has yet served to its patrons, and is meeting with large sales. The Lauer Company are fortunate in securing so popular an agent to handle their product.

It's Quiser How Quick.
Pan-Tina cures coughs and colds, 25c. At Grahler Bros., drug store.

Condition Unchanged.
A message from the Miners' hospital at Fountain Springs to-day stated that the condition of Peter Dillman is unchanged. He cannot recover.

Fitzsimmons at Pottsville.
Bob Fitzsimmons and his company will appear at the Academy of Music in Pottsville this month. The date is March 29th. He will be greeted by a packed house.

No Quarren.
A regular meeting of the Borough Council was to have been held last evening, but a quorum of the members failed to put in an appearance. A call was to-day issued for a meeting this evening.

THE ARSON CASE TRIAL

Flemming Makes a Clean Breast of the Mill Fire.

RICHARDSON DENIES THE STORY.

When the Commonwealth Closed Counsel For the Accused Moved For Acquittal, But Judge Koch Decided There Was Sufficient Corroborative Evidence to Go to the Jury.

SPECIAL TO EVENING HERALD.

Pottsville, March 18.—After the examination of Capt. W. E. Jones in the Mahanoy City arson case yesterday afternoon Michael Flemming, one of the defendants, was called and sworn. He stated he boarded in Delano, and is 23 years of age and left Delano on Sunday evening at 7:25 p. m. and met the other defendants, Darrah, Richardson and Knowles, who he met about 11 p. m. the same evening on the banks of the P. & R. R. He had a conversation with the three defendants; Richardson and Darrah went up to the hosiery mill, while Knowles and the witness walked down to Main street, near the Mansion House; Knowles and the witness went up to the hosiery mill and met the others and Richardson and the witness, Flemming, set the mill on fire, using cotton waste; the witness met Darrah and Richardson three hours when they arrived there and Richardson and Darrah went up to the mill to set it on fire, at least that was the understanding; Flemming set fire to the eastern end of the mill and Richardson the centre. The gang then left the building and went over to Pleasant Hill. The witness then came back another direction to the fire, where he met Darrah and Richardson. Flemming stopped at a friend's house the night of the fire. The witness and Richardson procured liquor at the saloon of Wm. Harley, at Mahanoy City and admitted they were drunk. Wooden refuse to go to the mill to set it on fire and didn't go along. His cross examination did not differ materially from that given to the Commonwealth.

The evidence of Willard Wooden, William Wilds and Thomas Bryant corroborated that given by Flemming, and other parties testified to having seen the defendants in the vicinity of the fire on the night in question. Capt. Wm. E. Jones recalled to the stand this morning and produced a map of Mahanoy City prepared for use at the trial. Mr. Jones pointed out for the benefit of the jury the various locations referred to in the evidence.

Michael Flemming was then recalled. Q. You testified yesterday that you acted, on the advice of your lawyer—who was your lawyer? A. Whitehouse objected on the ground that the question was asked to catch the sympathy of a couple of the jury-men.

Mr. Whitehouse asked to catch the sympathy of a couple of the jury-men. Mr. Bechtel: "Well, that is complimentary to the jury."

The court allowed the question and Flemming answered: "Yes, sir; James W. Ryan was my lawyer."

George Eichman was next sworn. He said he met Richardson and Darrah in a saloon at about a quarter after eight o'clock on the evening of the fire. John Huber and William Wilds were also there. Wilds, Darrah and Richardson went out first. Darrah wanted to fight Eichman there.

John Huber corroborated Eichman's evidence. Both are young men. Thomas Leary was another witness, but nothing important developed.

Mr. Ann Hanlon swore that Darrah and Richardson were in her place at 4th and Pine streets after the Eichman fire and stayed there about ten minutes.

William Ryan swore he saw the defendants at the Eichman fire. He saw them at 4th and Pine streets. Willard Wooden and Frank Lewis were with them. They were talking, but witness could not understand what was said.

Mr. Whitehouse: Did you see Mr. Ramsay there? Mr. Ryan: He is a more dangerous man. (Laughter.) William Hardy swore he lived 50 feet away from the Eichman property and that he knew Darrah. He saw Darrah at 10:15 o'clock on the night the fire in his (witness') yard and spoke to him.

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NEW NAVAL SQUADRON

It Has Been Ordered to Assemble at Hampton Roads.

THE NORTH ATLANTIC SQUADRON

Will Furnish Several of the Vessels For the New Rendezvous—Spain's Evident Intention to Disclaim All Responsibility For the Maine Horror.

Washington, March 18.—The event of yesterday in official circles was the issue of an order for the formation of a new squadron of naval vessels to be stationed at Hampton Roads. The squadron in the beginning will consist of five ships, all of the best of their type. Two of them, the battleships Massachusetts and Texas, are withdrawn from the present north Atlantic fleet at Key West and Tortugas. It would be a grave mistake to suppose that, in ordering this movement, the navy department is animated by any purpose of yielding to the representations of the Spaniards that may have come from the Spanish minister as to the mischief caused by the gathering of so large a naval force as Admiral Scaud's fleet in the vicinity of Cuba. On the contrary, the formation of the new squadron was brought about by purely strategic considerations, although it appears from the nature of the force so far under orders to rendezvous at Hampton Roads that this strategy is of the defensive nature.

The new squadron cannot be called a "flying squadron" because the association of heavy battleships with fleet cruisers like the Brooklyn, Columbia and Minneapolis reduces the available speed of the whole to the speed of the slowest vessel and definitely would not do much "flying." In the naval sense, the indications rather are that when reinforced by smaller cruisers the squadron will constitute an ideal naval defense.

Although the other ships to be added to the squadron have not yet been definitely selected, it is surmised that they will include some of the other battleships at Key West and the armored cruiser New York, in which case Admiral Scaud, it is believed, will command the new force. In place of the cruiser New York the people of Key West will look upon the grim outlines of the big monitor Puritan, supposedly the most powerful ship in smooth water in the world. She will have to assist her on guard the double-turreted monitor Amphitrite. The Puritan is now at Norfolk, almost ready for sea; the Miantonomah is at League Island, quite ready, and so is the Amphitrite at Port Royal, S. C. So the order will in the end result in the gathering of the pick of the north Atlantic squadron at Hampton Roads.

It is announced that the commander of the new squadron has not yet been selected, and pending that selection or the arrival in port of Admiral Scaud it is expected that Captain Higginson, the commander of the battleship Massachusetts, and the senior officer, will hold the command of the squadron. Remaining at Key West after the departure of the Massachusetts and the Texas, Admiral Scaud will still have a fleet of his own in numbers, when the squadron will be assembled, of a fleet and a squadron on one station, something not seen since the Civil War.

The semi-official statement given out at Madrid advancing the government view that the Spaniards were not responsible for the Maine explosion would be indignantly repelled by Spain attracted much interest in official circles. There has been little doubt for some time that Spain was preparing for the contingency of an adverse report by the American court of inquiry, and to that end was preparing to anticipate and offset it by making clear the government policy of standing by the report of the Spanish commission. The report of the latter body will find that the Maine disaster was due to accident, resulting in internal explosion. This was forewarned in the advance utterances of Captain Peral, head of the Spanish commission, who stated publicly several days ago that the theory of external explosion was untenable.

Along with the semi-official statement from Madrid that a demand for indemnity will be indignantly repelled, is the further statement from reliable sources that Spain has made it clear to the authorities here that intervention may lead to war. The prospects of such intervention are not so seriously entertained by Spain, and strong efforts have been made to avert it by showing that the condition of the reconcentrados did not warrant the step, and also that it would threaten to end all prospects of further pacific negotiations.

Nearly every town in the country large enough in its own estimation to justify such a claim has appealed to Secretary Long to christen one of the newly acquired Brazilian cruisers in its honor. Senator Platt called upon Secretary Long a little before noon to urge in support of the application that Albany was the natal place of Captain Sigbee.

Investigators' Preliminary Report: Key West, Fla., March 18.—It is learned that a special report of the work of the court of inquiry has been sent to Washington. This is not the report and findings of the court, which have not yet been agreed upon, but is in the nature of a communication for the use of the president, which he may or may not make public, as he sees fit. In any event it will prepare the president for what the board will report, and enable him to take measures accordingly, as the court will find that the Maine was blown up from the outside. The full report, it is said, will not be formulated and in the hands of the secretary of the navy for some days yet.

Persons living in malarious localities may avoid all bilious attacks by taking Dr. Ball's Pills, which keep the liver in healthy action and the system toned up. Price 10 and 25 cents.

BON TON

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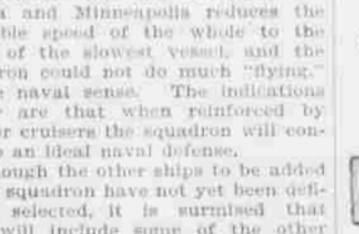
Everybody invited to the Grand millinery opening of the Bon Ton will be ready on March 17th, at 7 p. m., to demonstrate to the people of this town and county, who are lovers of the latest fashions in the millinery world. Our equipment of spring novelties for this season is unsurpassed by any other establishment in the county. The opening will convince you that we have the largest millinery parlors and the greatest display of

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Hats Trimmed Free.

Music at opening by Reilly's orchestra. A handsome souvenir to every lady on the opening night.

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This term fully answers the description of our spring line of gent's furnishings which we are now showing for the early season. In the way of Easter novelties we stand alone, barring all competitors.

A Word on Our Winter Stock
Which still remains on our shelves. It must and will be closed out regardless of cost to enable us to display our spring goods. We are not in the habit of stockpiling away any goods for future seasons.

MAX LEVIT, 15 E. Centre St.

Up To-Date Hat Store and Shenandoah's Greatest Gent's Furnishing Store.

Plain Words About Baby Coaches.

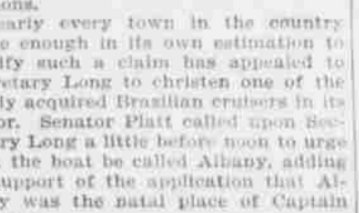
Spring will soon be here and we are anxiously awaiting its balmy days. Why? Because we are already prepared to have every wife call on us and see our new and extensive line of

Baby Coaches

Which we have selected for the season of '98. When it comes down to prices we can sell you wonders of makes at

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Looking Over the Stock.



Every household has a stock of goods which it draws upon daily. They find it is advisable to keep this stock up to a good standard. You want your stock of

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