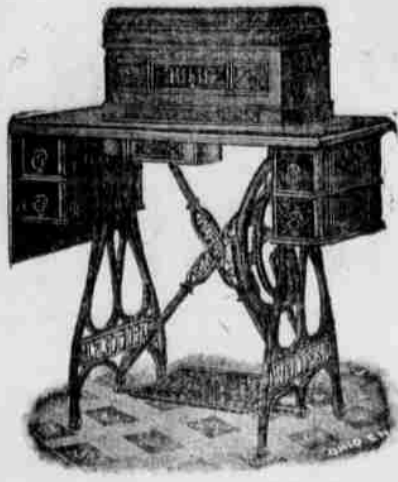


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New Orleans Baking Molasses, best quality, 10 cts. a quart. Don't forget our strictly Fresh Fancy Creamery Butter. Fresh Dairy Butter.

**At KEITER'S.**

### DIED SUDDENLY.

Jacob Lavenberg, of Wm. Penn, Expires at His Home.

Much surprise was occasioned among the residents of Lower Wm. Penn yesterday when the announcement was made of the death of Jacob Lavenberg, an aged and highly respected citizen of that place. Mr. Lavenberg was employed as a laborer at the Wm. Penn colliery. On Monday morning he reported for work but in the evening upon his return home he complained of having a pain in the heart. He retired early and passed a good night's rest. In the morning, when the family arose, he said his condition was no better and preferred to remain in bed. It was but a few moments later when he suddenly expired. Death is supposed to have been due to heart failure. Mr. Lavenberg was aged about 63 years and is survived by his wife and three children. Barbara, an eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wittman, expired at the family residence in lower Wm. Penn yesterday. The child had been the pride of the household and its death will be greatly mourned by the bereaved parents.

### Purge of Pen

Free to everybody at Meade Peter's restaurant to-night. Call and try it.

### Cannibalistic Troubles.

Several surprises were sprung at the meeting of the Town Council of Mahanoy City last evening. The chairman of the finance committee reported that Chief Burgess Bowman had collected fines, etc., to the amount of \$194.50 and had paid over but \$15.50, leaving a deficiency of \$179. A motion that the collector proceed against the Burgess was lost by a vote of 11 to 5. The second surprise was when a bill was presented for \$130.75, for office rent for the Burgess. When the latter's salary was increased to \$600 a year it was with the understanding he should pay the office rent. This bill was paid, and will be deducted from the amount due the Burgess.

### Installment Suit.

John Donnelly, installment agent, was prosecutor in a late suit against Joseph Edmundson, of Wm. Penn, last evening. The case was heard by Justice Shoemaker. The agent stated that some time ago he sold Edmundson a bill of goods to the amount of \$19.50. This was to be paid on the installment plan, but he received nothing on account outside of the first payment. Edmundson agreed to return the goods and settle the case by paying the fine and costs.

### The Centralia Robbers on Trial.

Arthur Nash, of Centralia, and James Harvey, of Mt. Carmel, who are charged with the robbery of Rev. W. J. Hayes, pastor of St. Ignatius church, Centralia, with burglariously entering the parochial residence several weeks ago, and at the point of a revolver compelling him to give up his valuables, are now on trial at Bloomsburg. A true bill was returned by the grand jury yesterday. The defendants will try to prove an alibi.

500 "silk initial" handkerchiefs to go for 5c. at Girvin's this week. 12-6-98

### Officers Elected.

Shenandoah Council No. 1377, Royal Arcanum, last evening elected the following officers: E. T. J. Davies, V. E. M. Owen; G. E. Anstee, Sec.; Jos. Hink; Coll. J. J. Price; T. M. Baugh; C. W. J. Jacobs; G. T. J. Broughall; W. E. C. Brobst; S. P. P. D. Kirkin; Trustee, T. R. Edwards; Rep. to G. C. T. J. Davies.

### Coroner's Inquest.

Deputy Coroner Pardy, of Mahanoy City, last evening held an inquest to inquire into the death of William Salsbery, who was killed at Suffolk colliery, last Saturday. After hearing the evidence, the jury rendered a verdict of death caused by a fall of coal.

Dr. Hull's Cough Syrup cures a cough or cold in short order. One bottle of this wonderful remedy will effect a cure. It is absolutely the best cough syrup made. Price 25c.

### Watchman Jones' Injuries.

Watchman B. R. Jones, of the Lost Creek mine, who was beaten and gagged by robbers on Sunday night, confined to his bed from the effects of his injuries. Rumor had it last night that he was suffering from congestion of the brain, but this could not be verified.

### Sunday School Officers.

On Sunday last the Union Sunday school, of St. Nicholas, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Superintendent, Wm. James; assistant superintendent, William Dudder; secretary, William T. Terrell; assistant secretary, Chester Sauerbrey; librarian, Samuel Billings; assistant librarian, George Redelitz; treasurer, Thomas Coombe.

### A Cool Town.

Shenandoah will be kept cool next summer by having three ice companies. They are the City Ice Company, the New City Ice Company, and a third enterprise which is now being formed.

### School District Without Funds.

The West Mahanoy township school district is out of funds with three months salary due the teachers, and the collector has not yet received the 1898 duplicate. The directors will make a temporary loan to bridge them over the difficulty.—Ashland Telegram.

### Annie Rice Downed.

That notorious character about town, Annie Rice, met her equal last evening in the person of Andrew Lastowski. While in company with the latter Annie became obnoxious and abusive and Lastowski, seizing an iron pipe, struck Annie on the head. A warrant has been issued for the arrest of her assailant but he has not been captured.

### Soldier Entertained.

A social gathering was tendered Elmer Minnich, at his home 528 Apple, alley last evening. He is private at the Plattsburg barracks, New York, and is home on a furlough. The gathering was an exceptionally large one and enjoyed by all present.

### Suit Against the Borough.

Peter E. Back has brought suit against the Town Council of Mt. Carmel, to compel the latter to pay orders held by the plaintiff to the amount of \$300.

### Powder Mill Accident.

Thomas Sterenson, employed at Roberts' powder mill in the valley, was run over by a small car loaded with powder. His right arm and leg were badly lacerated. He was removed to his home at Krebs' station.

### No Work To-morrow.

Orders were issued this afternoon by the P. & R. C. & I. Co. to suspend work to-morrow, on account of a holy day, known as Immaculate Conception. They will resume on Friday.

### Placed Removed.

Health Officer Conry has removed the diphtheria placard from the residence of Peter Grebblich, of 18 South Chestnut street.

## ZOLLNER ESCAPED!

Chased by a Constable, He Evades Arrest.

WANTED AT SCHULKILL HAVEN!

The Constable Fired a Shot at His Man But It Went Wide of the Mark—The Chase Caused Much Excitement on Main Street This Afternoon.

Excitement ran high for a short period this afternoon on Main street, between Centre and Lloyd streets. The spectators, for amusement while clerks and other occupants of the business houses in that vicinity flocked to the sidewalk to ascertain the cause of the commotion.

The principal character in the scene was William, alias "Butch" Zollner, of lower Wm. Penn, who was wanted by the Schulykill Haven authorities for committing a criminal assault upon a former lady resident of town, whose name could not be learned. Shortly before two o'clock Zollner entered Shortall's barber shop, and while awaiting his turn to get shaved a constable from Schulykill Haven, named Butts, entered and inquired for the prisoner. He was pointed out to him by Police-man Mully. The officer refused to read the warrant but took his prisoner in tow. When the front entrance was reached Zollner slipped around a barber pole and dashed up Main street at break-neck speed. The constable was in close pursuit and to promote his speed he threw off his overcoat, while Zollner did likewise at Lloyd street. The latter had no sooner turned the corner when the constable fired a shot at the fleeing man but without effect. Zollner paid no attention to the shot and continued his wild zig-zag until the railroad crossing at the Lehigh Valley station was reached. His course here was interrupted by a passing coal train, but quick as a flash he boarded the train and jumped off on the other side.

Here the officer lost trace of him and Zollner is again a fugitive from the law. From information gleaned Zollner wended his way towards the Indian Ridge colliery. His friends say that he had an eagle eye on the officer and was awaiting attempted arrest at any moment.

### HARD COAL BOOM.

To Proceed Legally Against Coal Carrying Companies.

The public generally had come to the conclusion that the Anthracite Association, or organized some time ago to boom hard coal, had died a natural death, but such seems not to be the case. The Association has issued a copy of the following letter to all the delegates to the recent convention held in Scranton. At that convention Shenandoah was represented, and the delegates from that town took an active part in the discussions. The local delegates have each received a copy of the letter:

Mount Carmel, Pa., Nov. 30, 1898.  
Dear Sirs:—We have the honor to proceed legally under the Inter-State Commerce Law respecting the unjust discrimination in freight rates on anthracite coal.

The railroad officials have refused to confer with our Committee on Railroads, and we therefore have to reach them in this way. Practically, for two months past, they have been handling coal at a reasonable freight rate, but at their late meeting they decided to return to the old system.

They will raise next year like the first six months this year. The matter is in your hands. Your committee is ready to act. If you wish them to go ahead they must have funds.

They have one of the most capable lawyers in the state ready to take up the work, and have not been idle about collecting facts and figures.

Now, this letter needs funds. It is no child's play to attack corporations and lawyers, especially the kind necessary, require good funds.

Will need two or three thousand dollars to carry the work to a finish, and your city's share in proportion to its population. Will you pledge yourself for this amount, one-half to be raised at once and the balance by next February, when we have our next convention?

Now, this letter certainly should be answered so we know where we stand. This is your work and if you wish to go on you certainly cannot expect your committee to furnish the funds.

But the present policy of exorbitant freight charges will destroy the life of the whole anthracite region.

Very respectfully,  
W. K. Lord, Secretary.

Dr. Hull's Cough Syrup is a very efficient remedy. For coughs and colds it has no equal. It is good for adults and children. Forroup and whooping-cough it is invaluable.

Charged With Corcoran's Murder, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Dec. 7.—Charles Leyden was arrested in Lackawanna county yesterday charged with being implicated in the murder of M. F. Corcoran, the hotel keeper of Duryea. The arrest was made on information sworn out by John and Peter Toole, saloon keepers of Duryea. They allege that Leyden was seen in the company of suspicious characters in Duryea on the night before the murder. Leyden claims to know nothing about the crime. The prisoner is a laborer in the mines, and about 25 years of age.

All kinds of vegetables and flower seeds, and plant & Payne's nurseries, Girardin's Electric cars pass the door. 5-8-98

Returned the Money.  
Andrew Esco was before Squire Shoemaker last evening, charged with the theft of \$89 from a fellow boarder, K. Petrovski. The case was settled by the accused returning the money and paying the fine and costs.

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Absolutely Pure  
Made from pure grape cream and sugar

### COLLIERY IMPROVEMENTS.

Changes That are in Progress at Shenandoah City and Knekerbocker.

The work of making improvements at the workings of the Shenandoah City and Knekerbocker collieries continues with much advancement, and when they are completed will present wonderful changes in appearance as well as the methods of modern coal mining.

The most important change at the Shenandoah City colliery is the erection of a compressed air engine at the head of the shaft. The foundations to support the machinery were put in course of erection to-day. This engine, when completed, will be used as a substitute for the mules that now do the hauling.

The improvements at the Knekerbocker colliery will be numerous. The dirt place now in operation will be abandoned and an entirely new scraper line substituted. The hoisting engine which has heretofore been used in hauling the cars up the shaft, will be used to operate the scraper line. Many other changes of minor importance will also be made.

Neiswander's Cafe.  
Buckwheat cakes and sausage to-night. Purge of pea-to-morrow morning.

### The School Board To-night.

The first regular meeting of the School Board for this month will be held this evening, and the business to be transacted will be of much importance to the taxpayers of the borough.

The finance committee will submit a lengthy report, and open for consideration the rates of mills for 1898 will be fixed. The present rate is 14 mills, and some of the members are inclined to the belief that this should be increased, while others are opposed to the increase. Another question for consideration is the bonds of Tax Collector Scanlan. The Board has taken no action in the matter, and neither has the Board granted Mr. Scanlan the exonerations asked for. One or two members of the Board have made two visits to representatives of the Taxpayers' Association at Pottsville, and on Saturday two of the Directors and one of the newly-elected teachers were in Pottsville for that purpose, but their visit has been kept quiet. The Taxpayers' Association has addressed a communication to the Board, which will be considered at to-night's meeting, bearing upon the bond question. To-night's meeting, therefore, is likely to be the most important of the term so far.

Don't Let Anybody Interfere, But Take Pan-Tin for coughs and colds, 25c. At Grubler Bros., drug store.

### The Coal Trade.

The anthracite coal trade has been put in somewhat better position by the advent of colder weather, and this has had favorable influence on coal company securities. While there is a better adherence to prices and less cutting there has been no formal advance announced excepting for chestnut, and, despite reports to the contrary, the opinion of those in the trade is that the stocks of unsold coal, though not excessive, are still ample enough to keep most prices heavy, as dealers have not changed their policy of only ordering sparingly. Hopefulness is, however, given by the belief that the companies are getting closer together and thus will be able to better regulate both output and prices. For this year to December 1 the output is given at 27,700,000 tons, compared with 27,900,000 tons in 1897 and 26,819,995 tons in 1896. Chestnut coal has increased altogether 30 cents per ton to \$3.35 per ton f. o. b. at New York tidewater. All the companies are reported to be short of this size. At the same time there are said to be excessive supplies of egg and pea coal, so that the rates are cut for these sizes, egg being quoted at \$2.30 and pea at \$2.50 f. o. b. at tide. Loaded cars with these sizes unsold fill many railroad sidings.—Philadelphia Ledger.

### Kendrick House Free Lunch.

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

### Why Mr. Bechtel Declined.

From Pottsville Chronicle.  
When H. O. Bechtel declined to accept a deputyship under B. W. Cumming, Jr., District Attorney-to-be, he no doubt counted he would be better off with the county. Mr. Bechtel will be chosen as counsel for Sheriff John Toole when Wm. A. Marr goes upon the bench. Mr. Bechtel will also be retained as county solicitor, which will last two years. The salary is \$1,000 per year. As counsel for the sheriff he will receive \$500 per year, so he will not be out any by his declination. Indeed, he will be ahead, as he will be free to try criminal and other cases in court.

### Bechtel's Cafe.

French pea soup to-night. Potato salad and liver to-morrow morning.

### Red Men's District Meeting.

To-morrow evening the members of the Independent Order of Red Men, of this district, will have a big time in the wigwam of Seneca Tribe, No. 41, of Pottsville. At this meeting the degree of Past Sachem will be conferred and the unwritten work exemplified. Among the distinguished Red Men who will be present are the following: Great Sachem Jerome Hite, of Steelton; Great Chief of Records, Thomas K. Donnelly, of Philadelphia; Great Prophet, Dr. W. R. Rodgers, of Philadelphia, and Great Senior Sagamore Joseph Alison.

### Holiday Jewelry Shoppers.

See our holiday stock. We have an elegant selection. All goods sold on their merits. No misrepresentations. Orkin's, 129 South Main street.

### The Medical Association.

The Schulykill County Medical Association met in Pottsville yesterday, and Dr. David Taggart, of Frankville, read an interesting paper on "Obstetrics." The annual meeting will be held the first Tuesday in January, at which officers will be elected and the annual dinner given. Shenandoah was not represented at yesterday's gathering.

### At Payne's nursery, Girardinville, you can find the largest stock ever seen in the county.

The Borough Council of Pottsville, at their meeting last evening, opened bids for the issue of \$7,500 four per cent. bonds, the money to go to the erection of a new house for the Good Will Company. There were seven bidders, but the Mineral Bank of Pottsville being the best, the bonds were awarded to that institution at \$104 for the \$5,000 issue, and \$102 for the \$2,500 issue.

### National Club Ball.

The fourteenth annual ball of the National Club of Shenandoah will be held in Robbins' opera house on Wednesday evening, December 7th, 1898. First-class orchestra will furnish dancing music for the occasion. This will be the social event of the season, and will be conducted on the same lines as other events held by this organization. Tickets, 50 cents.

### Try Cream Silver Polish.

Best on the market. At Brumms'.

## THE PEACE OF PARIS.

Yesterday's Session Disposed of the Essential Features.

THE ARTICLES AGREED TO.

Philippines Evacuation Commission Will Be Unnecessary.

THE DETAILS PLAINLY STIPULATED.

The Questions Relating to Coaling Stations and Religious Freedom in the Philippines, However, Must Be Settled Through the Usual Diplomatic Channels—Owing to Spain's Poverty, Our Government Will Transport the Spanish Prisoners Now Held in the Philippines.

Paris, Dec. 7.—The peace of Paris is practically an accomplished fact. Yesterday's session disposed of the essential features of the treaty, which will be embodied in the following eight articles:

First—The customary preface of treaties, in the nature of an expression of amity and of hope for perpetual peace.

Second—The relinquishment by Spain of her sovereignty over Cuba.

Third—The withdrawal of the Spanish troops.

Fourth—The relinquishment by Spain of her sovereignty over Porto Rico.

Fifth—Spain's cession of the Philippines.

Sixth—The withdrawal of the Spanish troops there.

Seventh—Payment by the United States of \$20,000,000 for the Philippines.

Eighth—The provision for the "open door" commercial policy in the Philippines.

The rough draft of the treaty, which may be considerably changed, covers these proposals. It makes a long document, which Senator Cushman K. Davis, of the United States peace commission, says will be found to be one of the most interesting papers in its character ever written. So completely are the details of the evacuation of the Philippines stipulated that a commission such as arranged for the Spanish withdrawal from the West Indies will be unnecessary.

Among the questions not yet settled, however, are the coaling stations and religious freedom in the Carolines, the Spanish commissioners not having replied to the American offers.

The Americans have agreed to transport the Spanish prisoners home, including the garrison and sailors at Manila captured by Admiral Dewey and General Merritt, as well as the soldiers and civilians held by the Filipinos, for whose return the Americans have guaranteed. As compensation Spain promises to liberate all Cuban, Porto Rican and Philippine political prisoners. Spanish soldiers electing to remain in the colonies may do so, but it is more a matter of economy for the Americans to return the others, as these must be fed as long as they are kept, and Spain is unable to bear the expense of the repatriation.

Although the Americans have rejected Spain's request for free shipping for ten years in Cuban and Porto Rican waters, they have given the Spanish commissioners such poor consolation as the latter may derive from the permission to re-apply.

Diplomatic relations have been renewed for shipping concessions under the reciprocity scheme of the Dingley law, for which Senator Dingley De Lome was negotiating in Washington when the war broke out.

There are still under discussion eight secondary subjects which the Spanish commissioners broached last week, including the status of patents and copyrights. The American commissioners yesterday handed to Senor Montero Rios a written reply covering these questions. There will probably be no joint session today, as the Spaniards desire time to consider this document.

Invitation to Holiday Shoppers.  
The holiday display of Christmas novelties at our store is now ready and open to the public for inspection. It represents more than we are able to state here. It is select, large and contains many money-saving opportunities. It does not cost the purchaser money, but saves money instead, to pay us a visit.

E. J. PORTZ,  
21 N. Main street.

Many people of this town will be interested in the announcement that Daniel J. Meyer and Miss Abbie Bailton, two well known young people of Tanawaka, were quietly married on Saturday evening, in the P. M. church. Both are well and favorably known here, the bridegroom having at one time been employed on the Herald. He has just accepted a lucrative position in a New York printing office, in which city they will make their home.

Edward Krebs and Miss Ida Bixler, both of St. Clair, were quietly married Monday evening.

For the Best Oysters.  
In the market go to A. J. Schooner's, 12 East Centre street, wholesale and retail. Morris River Oysters, Blue Points, Rockaways, Oak Glanders, Soutds, Clams, etc. Also two pool tables, cheap. 12-6-98

Looking for Trout.  
Hugh Gallagher, a well-known long distance sprinter, of Philadelphia, accompanied by his trainer and boxer, Philip Helton, a noted Quaker City sporting man, is in the county and is trying to get a race with Summers, of St. Clair. Come to Shenandoah, Mr. Gallagher, and you'll be accommodated.

Coco Argoline, the genuine article, for sale at Kirkin's drug store. 12-6-98

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- SWEATERS,
- CANES and UMBRELLAS,
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