

**HOOKS & BROWN.**  
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**THE BARGAIN SPOT**



This store is where you want to look for HOLIDAY GOODS. Your dimes will do the work of quarters here. Buy now. Avoid the jam of the last few days before Christmas.

**These Prices Prove That We are as Cheap as the Cheapest.**  
**TREE ORNAMENTS.**  
 You will be surprised to see the good things for the money.  
 Tinsel ornaments, 5c; worth 10c.  
 Glass balls, 3 and 5c; worth 5 and 10c.  
 Star paper, 5 and 10c per package.  
**BOOKS.**  
 Fine line at cheap prices.  
 Children's toy books, 5c up.  
 Large stock bound books, 10c up.  
 Prayer books, hymnals, etc.  
 Sunday school lesson for 1899, 5c.

Trumpets, Drums, Games, Cards, Booklets, Dressing Cases, Medallions, Hobby Horses, 65c up; Blackboards, 48c and 98c; the Chataqua Blackboard and Desk, \$2.25  
**NO TROUBLE TO SHOW GOODS.**  
**DON'T FORGET OUR 25c Candy. LOWNEY PACKAGES, 10, 15, 30, 60c.**

**HOOKS & BROWN,**  
 NO. 4 NORTH MAIN STREET, SHENANDOAH, PENNA.

**Evergreens For The Holidays.**  
 Holly wreaths and wreathing, mistletoe and other evergreens.  
 Leave your orders at

**SHENANDOAH DRUG STORE,**  
 3 South Main Street, Shenandoah, Pa.  
 Telephone Connection.

**Canaries.**  
 A fine lot of Singers received from Philadelphia. All kinds. They will make acceptable Christmas gifts.  
**JAPANESE GOLD FISH**  
 and fishes. All kinds of guppies. We also sell various supplies and drilling machines.  
**DAVID HOPKINS,**  
 105 East Centre street, Shenandoah, Pa.

**The Cheap Prices**  
 We are charging for the BEST Groceries to be had are gaining popularity daily. We believe in "live and let live." We want the buyer to have some of the profits as well as the seller.  
**DEY GOODS, ROOTS AND SHOES, BEST'S FURNISHINGS.**  
 Choice winter stock. Good goods at the lowest prices.  
**Philip Yarowsky,**  
 213 WEST CENTRE ST., SHENANDOAH, PA.

**A BARGAIN FOR MEN!**

The Boston Factory Shoe Store makes the following extraordinary shoe bargain to men for the next few days only:

**MEN'S HEAVY RUSSET SHOES, HAND SEWED, WORTH \$4.00; at \$2.25.**

Ladies', Misses' and Children's winter footwear and rubbers at astonishing prices. Serviceable and reliable goods.

**BOSTON FACTORY SHOE STORE,**  
 27 South Main Street, Shenandoah, Pa.  
 I SPONT, PROP.  
 FOUR DOORS ABOVE POST OFFICE.

**IEGEL'S TOVE TORE**  
 123 and 131 S. Main Street.

Contains the largest as well as the most reliable stock in town. We have stoves, ranges and heaters in carloads. We sell only the best—The Buckwheat makes. They sell cheap, yes cheaper than anywhere else, and are accompanied by a guarantee.

**Our Furniture**  
 Explained in a nutshell compares with the above announcement. We have an entirely new line for the holidays in dining room furniture, chairs, sofas, couches, etc.

**D. & J. SIEGEL,** 123 and 131 South Main Street.

**BEST LINE OF GROCERIES, FLOUR, FEED, HAY AND STRAW, Floor and Table Oil Cloths.**  
**E. B. Foley,** 27 West Centre St.

**BUCHANAN THE JEWELER,**  
 118 S. Main St.,  
 Is making a specialty in holiday gifts of

Ladies' and Gent's Gold and Silver Watches.

They are worth inspecting and may be of great money-saving value to the buyer.

**DAVISON'S Holiday Announcement.**

Our holiday stock now occupies every available space in our three large store rooms. That we can now fulfill the desires of holiday purchasers is beyond doubt. We have in our selection a beautiful stock of parlor tables, jardiniere stands, bric-a-brac, rockers, hall racks, pictures, easels, mirrors, rugs, lace curtains, chenille curtains, poles and fixtures, chenille table covers, and the very newest tapestry table covers. Our stock of parlor suits is a grand one in mahogany frame polish finish. Turkish suits covered in silk damask, silk brocatelle bouillon and silk french are a temptation to the buyer. A big line of couches and lounges in every conceivable make. In odd pieces of fancy furniture we cannot be excelled. Corner chairs, reclining chairs and straight chairs in large varieties. Our line of bed room suits are cheap with many to select from. Also sideboards and extension tables.

**Our New Stove Addition**  
 In the storeroom, No 119 North Main street, is filled with heaters, stoves and ranges of the best makes. Also agateware, tinware and willow ware. Our store is worth a visit to the buyer. Prices to suit purchasers.

**DAVISON'S BUSHY FURNITURE AND STOVE STORE,**  
 119-121-123 North Main St.

**Look For the New York Cheap Shoe Store.**

All Kinds of Latest Shoes—Men's, Ladies' and Children's Rubber and Leather Boots.  

Ladies' shoes	1.25	1.50
Men's shoes	1.00	1.25
Children's shoes	0.75	1.00
Leather Boots	1.50	1.75
Men's rubbers	28c up	
Ladies' rubbers	10c up	
Children's rubbers	10c up	

 Look for our repairing prices. Men's half soles and heel, 50c. Ladies' and children's still lower. Patches, 5 cents.  
 Do not forget the place.  
**NEW YORK CHEAP SHOE STORE,**  
 Near Jardin St. 33 West Centre Street.

**SPECIAL SALE! DOLLS! DOLL CARRIAGES!**  
 How Are These Prices? Come and Look at Them!

A beautiful full jointed finest made bisque doll, has real hair eye lashes; jointed wrists, real hair sewed wig, 25 inches high, heavy built, regular price would be \$5.00. Our special price, \$4.25.  
 Another beautiful style full jointed bisque dolls, 23 inches high, regular price \$2.75. Our special price, \$2.00.  
 Regular \$1.00 dolls now selling at 90 cents. Full jointed and fine bisque head, with fine hair wigs.  
 Regular 50 cent size selling at 45 cents. Full jointed, finely dressed, fine bisque heads.  
 Regular 35 cent jointed bisque dolls, selling at 35 cents.  
 Regular 25 cent jointed bisque dolls, selling at 25 cents.  
 Fine large full jointed bisque dolls, worth 75 cents, selling at 48 cents.

**Morgan's Fancy Bazar,** 23 North Main St.

**A CROUP CUPE**

is what many a mother is looking for; something absolutely safe and reliable, that will disarm her terror of that dread rattling, strangling cough, so fearful to the mother, so fatal to the child. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is a croup cure that can be relied on. Thousands say so.

Ms. W. J. Jackson ("Stanford Eveleth") writes from True, N.E.:  
 "That terror of mothers, the starting, croupy cough, never alarmed me so long as I had a bottle of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral in the house."  
 "We have used Ayer's Cherry Pectoral in our family for years. Once when our boy had a severe attack of croup, we thought that he would die. But we broke up the attack by using Ayer's Cherry Pectoral."  
 R. H. COX, Plancheville, La.

**Ayer's Cherry Pectoral**

is put up in half-size bottles at half price—50 cents.

**THE WEATHER.**  
 The forecast for Thursday: Fair to partly cloudy, slightly warmer, with becoming southerly, followed by snow in northern districts.  
**Powder Mill Wrecked, No Fatalities.**  
 Scranton, Pa., Dec. 14.—The barrel mill at the Mowles powder works blew up yesterday, wrecking the mill and doing considerable damage in the adjacent town of Moosick. The workmen were at dinner at the time of the explosion, and consequently no lives were lost. The charge in the mill was 600 kegs. The powder was the ordinary blasting kind used in the mines. The mill, which was considered the finest of its kind in the state, is a total wreck.

**The Federal "on of Labor Convention.**  
 Kansas City, Dec. 14.—In the Federation of Labor convention yesterday, C. J. Kent, of Lincoln, Populist labor commissioner for Nebraska, and a personal friend of William J. Bryan, introduced an anti-expatriation resolution. The preamble embraces all the arguments made against the extension of the power of the United States beyond the western hemisphere and denounces the "so-called policies of imperialism, expansion and civilization." The most revolutionary measure was introduced by J. F. Sullivan, of Boston. It asks congress to impose an annual tax of 50 per cent of the total products of any firm or factory which employs women and children over eight hours per day or employs children under the age of 14.  
**Our Commissioners' Farewell to Paris.**  
 Paris, Dec. 14.—Today the United States peace commissioners called upon President Faure and M. Delcasse, the foreign minister, to thank them for the hospitality of the French nation and to make their formal farewells.

Red Ribbon Mocha and Java coffee is sold at 30 cents. It is the best coffee on the market for the money. Try it and you will use no other. 12-13-01

**Forecast For the Holidays.**

Large Prime Oysters, \$1 per 100.  
 Medium sized " 60c per 100.  
 Opened while you wait. Received daily from the oyster beds.

**Fresh Turkeys Chickens**  
 and other fowl. Live or dressed. Leave your orders now. Sold at the lowest market prices. All home dressed stock.

**John Coslett,** 35 S. Main St.  
**WAX AND CUT FLOWERS.**

**MISS MARY E. JONES, OF W.M. PENSE.**  
 Has opened a new store at the COR. MAIN AND LLOYD STS., Shenandoah, Pa.  
 For the sale of wax and cut flowers of all designs of the latest styles at short notice and reasonable prices. Also needle work of all kinds and fancy work. We invite your patronage.

**POLITICAL PLUMS.**

The Democrats and Republicans Will Soon Shake the Tree.  
 The County Commissioners have decided upon the appointment of J. Harry Filbert, Esq., of North Manheim township, as Mercantile Appraiser, with a salary of over \$1,000, and with less than two months' work. It is a luscious plum, and consequently there were a number of candidates, among them the following: Samuel Freeman, of Tremont; Andrew Glass, at present holding a clerkship in the Controller's office; Peter Baner and E. J. Jungkorth, of Pottsville, with a number of others. The appointee is familiarly known as "Tommy" Filbert, a title given him because of his prominence in certain matters political. His appointment is generally considered to be a popular one. It is said he received the votes of the three Commissioners.

There is a spirited and somewhat bitter contest here over the deputy Coronership, three being three applicants, Dr. P. E. Burke, Dr. James Brennan, and the present incumbent, Thomas Manly. Several weeks ago it was announced in the daily papers that Dr. Burke had received the appointment, and this announcement was made on the strength of a telegram received from Coronator Beller, but apparently the other candidates succeeded in getting their names on the list, and now the fight is on in earnest. All roads now lead to Frackville, and Shenandoah delegations are rushing to the mountain town in the interest of their favorites. Dr. Beller certainly has his reasons for what is true of the contest here is equally true of that in other towns.

The two Democratic members of the Board of Poor Directors, Messrs. Wallern and Horzan, have held a number of secret meetings with a view to reaching an understanding as to the appointments to be made on January 1st. The last was that held yesterday at Pottsville, when, it is said, they agreed upon the steward, doctor, clerk, solicitor, keeper of the infirmary and keeper of the public kitchen. The Poor Directors refused to make public announcement as to the lucky ones securing these positions before January 1st, or near that date. It is generally believed, however, that Director Horgan has turned down his neighbor, M. J. Leahy, of Mahanoy City, and agreed with his colleague to appoint M. D. Feigley, a "farmer" from West Brunswick, as steward at the Almshouse, and Daniel E. Freiler, of Pottsville, as clerk. The former gentleman is not known outside of the immediate neighborhood of his farm, while Mr. Freiler has the distinction of a successful office-holding career, and a wide acquaintance. He has recently held the position of salesman for Bettis' brewery. The Journal says Dr. J. Langton, of town, has been selected as the resident physician at the almshouse. Our contemporary is evidently mistaken, as Dr. Langton is not a candidate, and would not accept the position if tendered him. He enjoys a large practice here, which would have to be sacrificed to accept a political appointment. Dr. James Monaghan, of town, is a candidate, and those who profess to know say he will secure the plum. Patrick Graham, of town, is also an applicant for the position of insane keeper, as is also the present incumbent, Peter Wachtler, of Wm. Penn, and James McInerney, of Mahanoy City.

It is generally believed that the majority members of the Board of Poor Directors, notwithstanding their campaign promises of reform in the management of that institution, will neither reduce salaries nor abolish certain positions at the almshouse. In an interview with a reporter Director Horgan is quoted as saying they will ignore the letter sent them by the Taxpayers' Association, "will run the almshouse and poor district in accordance with their own plans." There will be no reform at the almshouse next year, so far as reduction of places and salaries is concerned.  
 Here is a political item of much interest: "Hon. John Sweeney, of Hazleton, private secretary to Democratic State Chairman Garman, was the guest of W. W. Lewis at Mahanoy City yesterday."  
 Very little credence is placed in the reports emanating from Pottsville in reference to certain parties instituting proceedings against District Attorney-elect Cummings and Coroner-elect Beller, and preventing them from taking the oath of office. These matters come from dissatisfied office-seekers, and the public has no faith in them.

**BELL'S MEAT MARKET,**  
 19 W. OAK STREET.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**  
**WANTED AT ONCE**—Three good appearing men. Apply to Leon L. Wolf, 26 1/2 West Centre street.  
**FOR SALE**—A valuable business property (leasing modern building) in reference to a tenant. Valuable to one wanting a permanent business place and a home. Apply to M. M. Burke, attorney, Egan building.  
**WANTED AT ONCE**—Two young ladies. Apply to Leon L. Wolf, 26 1/2 West Centre street.  
**STRAYED**—On the 12th inst., from the premises of William Bluvie of Wm Penn, the old school building, a Jersey cow with fancy horns. About 9 years old. Has a registered mark on the left ear. Finder will be rewarded for returning same. 12-14-11  
**WANTED**—The addresses of 25 people suffering with eczema or any form of skin disease since about 1875; also several houses and positive cure has been discovered and will be furnished absolutely free, upon application by mail to E. J. Kure Co., P. O. 1218-11  
**PUBLIC SALE**—The plant of the Shenandoah Manufacturing Company, consisting of the three-story building and grounds, and all the machinery, including steam engine, situated at the corner of Emerick and Coal streets, Shenandoah, Pa., will be sold on the premises, on the 15th day of December, 1898, at 10 o'clock. Terms of sale made known on day of sale. 6-1

**WANTED**—Girl to do general housework. Apply to Jacob Heintz, corner Main and 1st street.  
**FOR RENT**—Several very valuable and desirable houses, some of them in the city, for further information apply to S. A. Beddall, Tappan, Pa. 12-14-11  
**FOR RENT**—Dwelling house, with all conveniences, with good location, for rent. Apply at this office.  
**NOTICE**—Desirable properties for sale. Apply to S. G. M. Hodges, attorney, Shenandoah.

**STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.**  
**FIRST NATIONAL BANK,**  
 SHENANDOAH, Pa., Dec. 10th, 1898.  
 The annual meeting of the shareholders of this bank on Tuesday, January 18th, 1899, from 10 o'clock to 12 o'clock noon.  
 S. W. Yost, Cashier.

**NOTICE!**  
**CHRISTMAS IS ONLY 18 DAYS OFF!**  
 Now is Your Time to Buy at  
**Conway's 5 and 10c Store,**  
 102 North Main St., Shenandoah, Pa.

**OUR TOY DISPLAY.**—In this department you'll find without a doubt the greatest and most complete line of toys in this city. Everything you can think of to amuse the little folks, and at great saving prices. Come one, come all. Bring the little ones to see our beautiful display of dolls, from 5c up to \$10.00. Now is your opportunity. Don't miss it.  
**OUR SPECIAL.**  

Ark that Noah built.....23 and 48 cents	Ornaments.....10c, 5c
Children's washbasins.....23 and 48 cents	Ornament travel.....10c, 5c
Kid dolls.....23 and 48 cents	Wood horses.....10c, 5c
Tin stoves.....10 and 25 cents	Large vase on stand.....\$1.00
Homes.....5 and 25 cents	This is a wonderful toy

**Don't Forget the Place.**  
**CONWAY'S 5 and 10c STORE, 102 North Main St.**

**'BIG BENEFIT FOR THE PEOPLE!**

I have just returned from the city where I went to close out the stock of a big wholesale clothing house, consisting of Overcoats, with and without velvet collars, blue and black Overcoats, all styles, for men and boys. I closed out large lots of children's Astrakhan Reefers, all sizes and styles, and the latest style short Overcoats for the little fellows.

I also closed out large lots of Vestee suits for the children and I wish to inform the public that I bought those goods at one half their former price and I am going to sell them at half price. So if you are looking for good, fresh and stylish Clothing or Overcoats that are just turned from the factory, and want to buy them for one-half the price that they are worth, don't fail to examine them before going elsewhere, at the store that advertises nothing but facts.

**MAMMOTH CLOTHING HOUSE,**  
 9 and 11 SOUTH MAIN STREET,  
 LOUIS GOLDIN, Prop. SHENANDOAH, PA.

**LADIES', MISSES' AND CHILDREN'S COATS.**



Select your garment from up-to-date styles. We have the right goods here and a large variety to select from at the right prices.  
**Ladies' Coats, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$5.00, \$6.00.**  
**\$8.00, \$9.00 to \$16.00.**  
**Children's Coats, \$1.50 to \$7.50.**  
**Fur Collarettes, \$1.50 to \$15.00.**  
 Our stock of dress goods has no equal. You will find here a large assortment of plain and fancy fabrics in foreign and domestic at bargain prices.  
 Our place is headquarters for lace curtains, blankets, carpets, rugs, etc. Look through our line on second floor and get prices.  
 Butterick paper patterns, best in the world, sold by us.

**P. J. GAUGHAN,**  
 NORTH MAIN STREET.

**ENDEAVOR**

To save your eyes by taking care of them. We advise many persons not to wear them, if it is not necessary. Should it be, would not a nice pair of eye glasses be an appropriate Christmas gift? We don't charge to properly examine the eyes. This is a bright idea.

**Thos. Buchanan,**  
 OPTICIAN,  
 118 S. Main Street.

**A NICE CHRISTMAS SMOKE**  
 Can be enjoyed by father, brother, etc., by purchasing a box of our cigars, put up expressly in desirable boxes for Christmas gifts.

**W. G. Dusto's Tonsorial Parlors,**  
 Ferguson House Block.

**\$100** Will be paid to any person who finds us to misrepresent our goods. If not as represented we will refund you money and forfeit this reward. We sell  
**Jewelry, Watches, Clocks and Musical Instruments**

At the very least 25 per cent. cheaper than any dealer in town. Our holiday display is now ready. Give us a call. Repairing promptly attended to.

**ORKIN'S JEWELRY STORE,**  
 129 South Main Street, - Shenandoah, Penna.

**YOUR EYES.**  
**J. D. COLDREN,**  
 Of Schuylkill Haven,  
 The noted Refractionist, who has testimonials from the best people of the county, as to his ability, will be at  
**GRUHLER'S DRUG STORE EVERY WEDNESDAY OF EACH WEEK.**  
 If your eyes cause you any trouble call and see him. Glasses furnished if needed and no medicine.  
**EXAMINATIONS FREE.**  
 We can furnish Repairs for all Stoves. It is by far cheaper to repair your old faithful stove than to buy a new one. If your stove is broken let us fix it. You will be pleased with the work and the price.  
**WM. R. PRATT,** 333 S. Jardin St  
**COMMERCIAL HOTEL-RESTAURANT,**  
 Morris Heckman, Prop.  
 Is now open. Eating hall attached. Free lunch morning and evening. Choice of wines, brandies, cigars and beers.  
**VAL. BEYRANT,** Mgr.

**DO NOT FAIL TO READ THIS**  
**Christmas is Coming**  
 We are prepared to cater to our customers with a full line of holiday groceries for your Christmas dinner.  
**READ OUR LIST:**  
 Citron, Lemon Peel, Prunes, Seedless Raisins, Seedless Raisins, Cleaned Currants, California Dry Peaches, California Canned Peaches, California Dry Peas, California Canned Peas, Figs, Dates, Nuts.  
 Our prices are astonishing and have won favor with the housewife. They need no introduction.

**B. A. Friedman,**  
 216 W. Centre St.  
 Three doors below brick school house.

**NEW MELDAIZIS CAFE,**  
 130 SOUTH MAIN STREET.  
 Again remodeled. Private parties can be entertained in our private booths. Eating hall attached. Free lunch served every evening. None but the best of wines, liquors and cigars sold. Stop in while you are waiting for trolley car.

**A Handsome Complexion**  
 Is one of the greatest charms a woman can possess. **FORZONI'S COMPLEXION POWDER** gives it.

**PORTZ'S TOY HOUSE!**

Our toy line this year surpasses anything in the town. We do not import, as some unprincipled dealers advertise, but we do promise to give you the very best and latest toys that can be found in Philadelphia, Baltimore, Chicago and New York markets.  
**TREF** trimmings in abundance; latest designs: brick and roofing papers, gift stars, tinsel, cotton, etc.  
 Patrol wagons, milk wagons, dray wagons, bed room suits, tables, chairs, stables, harps, iron chemical engines, hook and ladder trucks, steam engines, hot air engines, etc.  
 Animals for tree yards, trumpets, drums, guns.  
 Celluloid goods, the prettiest in town and at catching prices.  
**THE LARGEST TOY AND FANCY GOODS HOUSE IN TOWN.**

**F. J. PORTZ,** 21 North Main Street