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CANNED GOODS---1898 PACKING.

Fancy California Lemon Cling and Crawford Peaches. Fancy Pears, Plums, Apricots and Cherries.

TOMATOES—Extra Quality and extra size cans, 2 for 25 cents. Extra Quality Standard cold packed, 3 for 25 cents.

CORN—Extra Fancy Maine, 2 for 25 cents. Fancy New York State, 3 for 25 cents. Standard Maryland, 4 for 25c.

PEAS—Fancy Sifted Early June, 2 for 25 cents. Sweet Wrinkled, 3 for 25 cents. Extra Early June, fine quality, 4 for 25 cents.

BEANS—New Lima Beans, 3 cans for 25 cents. White Wax String Beans, 4 cans for 25 cents. Baked Beans, 2 and 3 cans for 25 cents.

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.

A WORTHY CAUSE.

Movement to Relieve People Who Are in Distress.

This evening the "Y" will hold a donation party in its hall in the Mellet building on East Centre street. The object is to relieve the distress of families who have suffered through poverty, sickness and other unfortunate circumstances and the distribution will be made under the supervision of the Flower Mission's superintendent, Miss Mattie Price, who has visited a number of homes and knows where relief is needed. Donations may be sent to the "Y" hall, or to the residence of Miss Price, on West Lloyd street. A cordial invitation to attend the meeting in the hall is extended to the public. A special program has been arranged for the occasion.

Wouldn't your distant friends be delighted to receive a Xmas gift made from Anthracite coal? See them at Brumm's. 12-14-17

To the Public.

The Shenandoah Ice Co., composed of Hart, Dufflow & Co., Prop., have opened an office at No. 23 N. 7th Street for the accommodation of the local trade, and are now prepared to make contracts for summer and winter fillings. They have commodious ice houses, their source of supply at the Girard dams, near Haven Run, is of the best, and the product of this company is guaranteed strictly pure spring water ice. Large and small contracts will receive equal and prompt attention, and full satisfaction will be given all patrons and at the lowest prices. Your patronage respectfully solicited. Call on or address The Shenandoah Ice Co., No. 23 North 7th Street. s-m-w

The Best in the Cheapest, then buy Red Ribbon Mocha and Java in one pound packages.

12-12-10

A Boy Prosecuted.

Thomas McGuire today entered prosecution before Justice Toomey against a boy named Carroll McCarthy for assault and battery. McGuire says that while he was walking along Chestnut street last Sunday morning Carroll threw a large iron bolt at him. The bolt struck McGuire on the right leg, just above the ankle, and fractured a small bone. Carroll and other boys, it is alleged, had been throwing missiles at two other men and it appears the blow McGuire received was a chance one. The suit was instituted because the victim failed to receive satisfaction as to payment of the doctor's bill and for loss of time.

There is nothing in the candy line that you can not get at Kemmerer's. 12-14-10

A Treat at Zion's Grove.

A concert and photograph entertainment is to be given at Zion's Grove this evening, under the auspices of the mandolin and guitar club of that suburb, which Prof. E. W. Wilde, of town, is the leader. The Shenandoah Mandolin and Guitar Club will take part in the entertainment. This organization is composed of Maggie Bradigan, Katie Monaghan, Ray Deogler, William Eisenhart, and Herbert Williams, of town, and Miss Marie Biddle, daughter of Dr. J. C. Biddle, superintendent of the Miners' hospital at Fountain Springs. The program prepared for the occasion is of a superior order and the patrons of the entertainment will be afforded a rare treat.

Week's Cate.

Concert selections by Prof. Flood and specialty acts by good local talent to-night.

The "Y" Program.

The following program will be presented at a meeting of the "Y" to be held this evening: Singing; prayer; Rev. Albion; scripture reading; Rev. O'Boyle; reading; Clara Post; duet, Emma and Lilly Lowrey; recitation on the Flower Mission work, Mattie Price; duet, Lizzie Moore and Maud Gilpin; address, Rev. James Moore; reading, John Danks; singing; benediction, Rev. Koehler.

If you want good and fresh candy for your Sunday School, go to M. L. Kemmerer, 35 N. Main street. 12-14-10

An Electrical Novelty.

An electrical novelty that will be worth seeing will be introduced at the annual fair of the Columbia Hose Company, which will open in Robbins' opera house next Wednesday. It will be the first exhibit of the kind ever shown in town. The novelty is an illuminated sign. The light will be furnished by 92 incandescent lights. The word "Welcome" is arranged across the top and the letter "C" and "No. 1" below, with a beautiful shield as a background. Another feature of the opening will be a spectacular parade by the members of the Hose Company. It takes place at 7 o'clock on the opening night.

Goods sold at Holderman's, No. 31 N. Main St., is within the reach of everybody, the assortment larger, goods superior and prices below competition. If

Why He Resigned.

Hon. D. M. Evans, of Audenried, who last Monday accepted the position of fire boss at the Mores colliery, has tendered his resignation from the place. The reason he gives for the step is that the company wanted him to insist upon the miners standing timber without compensation. Mr. Evans will be succeeded by a Polish fire boss who formerly resided in this town.

Special for Saturday and Holiday Week.

A handsome calendar wall pocket given away free, to every purchaser at our store. See them in our window. Grand Union Tea Company, 28 South Main street. 12-16-21

Senator Loch Returns.

State Senator S. A. Loch, of Schuylkill Haven, has returned home from Sulphur Springs, Va., greatly improved in health. Judge R. H. Koch was also at that health-restoring resort.

Call at Holderman's Jewelry store and get prices on goods superior to any in town. It

Driver Injured.

Edward Mills, a driver employed at the Mahanoy City colliery, was seriously injured yesterday afternoon. He was knocked down by a trip of cars, and dragged some distance before the team could be stopped.

You are cordially invited to visit Holderman's Jewelry store, No. 31 N. Main street, and see the display of artistic goods never shown in Shenandoah before at prices lower than you pay for them in large cities. If

Hand Crushed.

While changing a lever of the machinery in Kaiser's brewery at Mahanoy City yesterday afternoon, Engineer Slaughter had his right hand crushed.

A New, Novel and Useful

Handsome calendar wall pocket given away free, to every purchaser at our store tomorrow and the entire holiday week. See them in our window. Grand Union Tea Company, 28 South Main street. 12-16-21

Kemmerer's Cate.

Chicken soup will be served, free, to all to-night. 12-14-10

A CROOK IN LIMBO.

Lutman is of Tender Age, But Old in Knavery.

HELD FOR STEALING OVERCOATS.

He Relieved Clothing Store Dummies of Their Coverings—His Work Was one in Day Light—The Prisoner Belongs to a Gang of Thieves.

Through a case of petty larceny the police yesterday caged one of the gang of daring young robbers who have been pestering the citizens and authorities of the town for some time past. The prisoner is Peter Lutman, a Lithuanian of but 16 years of age, but twice that number in experience as a law breaker. He was looked upon as one of the leaders of the "West Coal street gang," of which Burns and Godelewicz, the two youths caught in Stecker's store last Sunday morning, were also prominent members.

Lutman is audacious and shrewd, and it has heretofore been impossible to fasten a charge upon him. Yesterday he took an overcoat from one of the dummies standing in front of Refowich's clothing store, on South Main street. One of Mr. Refowich's clerks followed the thief two squares down the street and caught him. Lutman agreed to return to the store and prove that the coat he was wearing was not the stolen garment; but at Oak street he gave the clerk the slip, disappeared through a narrow alley next to Morgan's shoe store, ran through the yards at the rear of Pear alley, thence to Centre street, and was lost to sight.

The clerk appealed to Policemen Butler and Matz, whom he met shortly after, and they got a clew to the thief's identity. They searched several places on West Coal street and finally struck a trail that led them up the mountain in the direction of the cemeteries. They found Lutman in the bushes. He was wearing two overcoats, the one that had been stolen from Refowich's and another stolen from a clothing store at the corner of Main and Oak streets.

As the police approached Lutman exclaimed, "I know what you want me for—for that gold watch?"

"What gold watch?" asked Butler.

"O, you go to— you want to know too much," Lutman replied. "I have more facts. Reference is made to this for the benefit of anyone who has been robbed of a gold watch lately and has not complained to the police."

When before Justice Toomey, Lutman was brazen and aggravatingly insolent. When asked by the Justice to plead more facts with an oath and used similar language when the Justice invited him to interrogate the witnesses. Mr. Refowich was the only prosecutor, the other clothing dealer declining to make a charge. Lutman's behavior was so provoking that Justice Toomey lost no time in disposing of the case, and committed the prisoner in default of \$500 bail. Constable Gibbon took Lutman to jail this morning.

When Constable Gibbon went to the lockup this morning to get Lutman he found the prisoner clothed only in a flannel undershirt. The prisoner had torn all his clothing and his hat to pieces while in a fit of anger. The constable borrowed a pair of overalls, a coat and hat in which to clothe the prisoner to take him to Pottsville. After the handcuffs were placed on Lutman and "Perhaps you think I can't slip out of these," Gibbon replied, "If you do I'll give you freedom."

Lutman promptly spat upon his wrists, rubbed them and was soon making such headway towards removing the handcuffs that the Justice deemed it advisable to push the levers a couple of notches each.

All kinds of mixtures from Sets. to 75cts, a pound at M. L. Kemmerer's, the leading confectioner. 12-14-10

THE CAR TAX CASES.

One is Settled and an Offer is Made in the Other.

E. W. Ash, manager for the Schuylkill Traction and Lakeside Electric Railway companies, was a visitor to town to-day and in company with Borough Solicitor Burke, called on Justice Toomey in response to the suits instituted by Solicitor Burke, in behalf of the borough, to recover car taxes due from the companies. The claim against the Lakeside company, which amounted to \$90, was paid, with the costs of suit. Mr. Ash denied the claim of \$100 against the Traction company, on the ground that certain credits had not been allowed. He claims the company owes but \$40, and he made an offer of that amount with the costs of suit. The case is stayed until the matter can be brought before Council.

Have you called at A. Owen's store for a cup of the delicious Red Ribbon Mocha and Java coffee? If not, then do so. 12-12-10

Suspicious Find.

This morning while Mrs. Edward McGuire, of South White street, was engaged in household duties in the front room on the second floor she was started to find a glove and a rubber on the roof of the porch. It is a mystery how they got there but it is believed that robbers were about and were scared away.

Have you seen the show window display of watches, jewelry and silver novelties at Brumm's? 12-14-17

Birthday Party.

A birthday party was tendered Mamie, the 14-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Dooley, at their residence on West Lloyd street last evening. The little host was the recipient of several beautiful presents. Refreshments were served and were enjoyed by the following: Mamie Martin, Ella and Laura Stanton, Annie and Agnes Harle, Katie and Lizzie Flaherty, Annie and Mamie Shore, Nellie McHale, Nellie Cullen, Bridget Murphy, Mary Doyle, Katie Keenan, Michael Dougherty, Patrick Brennan, Mary Haughton, Maggie Dooley, Julia McGuire, Joseph Conigliu, James Haughton, Morris Cockley, Vester Lambert, Harry Boyer, Bert McDormick, Charles Congrove.

A pretty selection of diamond rings suitable or Xmas gifts. Prices very low at Brumm's.

Finger Mashed. John Lynch, a car runner employed at the Boston Run colliery, had the index finger of his right hand mashed yesterday afternoon while spragging cars. The finger was caught between a wheel and the sprag.

Kendrick House Free Lunch. Clean chowder will be served, free, to all patrons to-night.

All kind of taffies at Kemmerer's. We also sell the nutmeats. 12-14-10

COAL TRADE OUTLOOK.

Coming Year Will Not be More Prosperous for Mine Workers.

There are no indications, and nothing on which to even base a hope, that times will grow more prosperous in the anthracite coal region. Mine Superintendent John Veith corroborated this view when seen by a reporter. "Our quota," said Mr. Veith, "has been 8,000,000 tons. For the fiscal year ending November 30th, 1898, our collieries worked an average of between 135 and 150 full days. The previous year we worked about the same number of days." Mr. Veith's hope for more steady times at the mines is not a very rosy one. In fact, he does not see much hope for improvement. The records show that for the fiscal year ending last month there were only 25,000 men on the company's payroll, as compared with 28,000 men the previous year. There is but one hope for steady time at the company's collieries, and that is by temporarily abandoning about ten collieries out of the forty-one being operated.

This would be steady work to those employed at the remaining collieries, would probably benefit the company, and Mr. Veith thinks that this may eventually be done. Of course this would throw a number of men out of employment who would be obliged to look elsewhere.

With these conditions staring us in the face, there is additional reason why every effort should be made to assist in securing industries to locate in our midst.

Neisewander's Cafe. Sour kroust, pork and mashed potatoes, free, to-night.

Church Notices. Services in the Primitive Methodist church to-morrow. Subject, 10:30 a. m., "The Original Riches of Jesus Christ." Sunday school at 2 p. m. Subject for evening service at 8:30, "God's question to Adam." Special music by the choir. Everybody kindly invited to attend these services. James Moore, pastor.

Services in the Welsh Congregational church to-morrow will be conducted by Rev. W. T. Holmes, of Yates, at 10 a. m. in Welsh, and English at 6 p. m. Sunday school at 2 p. m.

Red Ribbon Mocha and Java coffee is sealed in one pound packages, thus preserving its strength and aroma, which escapes when sold loose. 12-12-10

Increase in Accidents.

The annual report of Mine Inspector Williams, of the Fourth Anthracite district, from December 1, 1897, to December 1, 1898, will soon be ready. In this report of accidents it is found that there were fifteen fatal accidents than in the year previous. The report is as follows: Killed, 17; injured, 276; totals, 247. Widows, 46; orphans, 169. There were seven more injured this year than last, eleven more widows and thirty-eight more orphans.

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Masons Going Ahead.

According to late statistics the Masonic order has a membership of 799,878, a gain of 106,211 over last year. During the year 41,156 were raised, 17,422 affiliated, 6,329 re-admitted, 12,064 have died, 17,728 were admitted, 18,933 were suspended for non-payment of dues. New York state leads with a membership of 90,894. Pennsylvania is third with 49,489.

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. 12-12-10

Advertised Letters. The following letters remain uncalled for at the local post office: J. Irvin Biddle, John Gaughan, D. D. Sutton. D. W. BEDEA, P. M.

It will do your heart good to examine A. Holderman's stock of Jewelry, Watches, Silverware, Diamonds, Lamps and other choice goods. Prices lowest and never heard of before. No. 31 North Main St. If

Well Presented. The presentation of the cantata "The Star of Jacob" in the Primitive Methodist church last night was an excellent success artistically and financially. The respective parts were commendably rendered and the receipts from the entertainment were very satisfactory. The cantata was presented for the benefit of the Sunday school connected with the church.

Try our 40c. Assorted Chocolates they are delicious. M. L. Kemmerer. 12-14-10

Controller-elect's Legal Adviser. Controller-elect Harry J. Muldoon has tendered the position of solicitor to S. H. Kaercher, Esq., and that gentleman has accepted. Mr. Muldoon's brother, Druggist Muldoon, and James Fadden, it is generally believed, will be two of the Controller's deputies.—Pottsville Chronicle.

Every family should have its household medicine chest—and the first bottle in it should be Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. Nature's remedy for coughs and colds.

Not Stolen After All. Many expressions of sympathy were occasioned a few days ago by the story of the loss met by Mrs. Patrick Murphy, of Orier City. It was stated that \$135 she received on an insurance policy upon the death of her husband had been stolen from a bureau shortly after she placed it there. It now appears that the money was not stolen. Mrs. Murphy yesterday found the money just where she had placed it. She explains that the event attending the funeral of her husband and she forgot where she had put the money.

Patterns were never so pretty, prices never so low, selections never equalled as our stock of jewelry and silver novelties is this year. E. B. Brumm. 12-14-17

Deeds Recorded. Deed from Andrew E. Smith and wife to John Fromm, premises in South Manheim. Deed from Sarah Morgan to Marion Steigen, premises in Wayne Twp. A charter was recorded for E. C. Thomas for the Thomas Coal Co., of Schuylkill Co.

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

Great Bargains. Holiday goods in abundance. Ladies' coats and capes cheap, and in the latest styles. Oil cloths and carpets cheap. A full supply of holiday goods. Bargains in window shades. A certain worth 50 cents, and having 4-inch lace, for 35 cents. Underwear, hosiery and dress goods cheap. A 10-4 sheeting for 10 cents a yard. 12-13-56 P. J. MONAGHAN.

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Absolutely Pure. Made from pure grape cream of tartar

ROYAL BAKING POWDER. Absolutely Pure. Made from pure grape cream of tartar.

NEW TARIFF FOR CUBA

It Goes Into Effect With the Beginning of the New Year.

TO REHABILITATE THE ISLAND.

The Rates Are Framed With a View to Encouraging the Establishment of Manufacturing Plants and to Protect the Agricultural Industries.

Washington, Dec. 17.—President McKinley, before leaving for the south last Tuesday, signed an executive order establishing a customs tariff for the island of Cuba, to go into effect Jan. 1 next. This tariff is based upon the report and recommendations made by Hon. Robert P. Porter, special commissioner of the United States, who was sent to Cuba some months ago for the special purpose of making an investigation of the subjects of revenue and customs of the island.

An explanatory statement issued concerning the new tariff says it is a revision of the temporary military tariff adopted Aug. 8 by the war department for the port of Santiago, which was a general reduction of 52 per cent on the tariff imposed by Spain on all imports into Cuba from the United States and all other countries except Spain. The rates in the tariff about to go into force, with some few exceptions, are greatly below the rates now in force at Santiago.

The new tariff has been framed with a view to the rehabilitation of the island. The duty on paving stones, which are likely to cut an important figure in the sanitary rehabilitation of Havana, has been abolished, and the duties on chemicals, tar and pitch and crude oil heavily cut. The iron ore and steel rail duties have been reduced 50 per cent. Coal and agricultural implements are put on the free list.

Slight changes have been made in the schedules relating to common soap, perfumery and raw materials out of which these articles are manufactured, with a view of encouraging the manufacture of these articles in Cuba. Guano has been placed on the free list and common salt cut down more than two-thirds of the old rate of duty. In cotton and manufactures thereof it has been deemed advisable to make an increase on the Santiago tariff, so that the reduction from the Spanish tariff will average 50 per cent instead of 63 per cent. Classifications have been altered with a view to lightening the rates of duty on the lower grades of cotton cloths.

Hemp and Manila have been put on the free list, with a view to the establishment in Havana of the manufacture of sugar bags, and for the protection of the rope and twine industry already established there. Spin furniture has been placed on the free list, for the reason that an American firm now located in Havana has given the assurance that if allowed to import spun furniture free they would start a factory in Havana within two months. In the paper schedule a reduction has been made of duty 50 per cent on the Spanish tariff, instead of nearly 77 per cent, as the Santiago tariff.

Class 9 is a most important schedule for both the lumber interests of the United States and those engaged in Cuban industries, especially agriculture. It has been decided to make a uniform reduction of 50 per cent on the entire schedule.

The proposed tariff makes a nominal change of \$1 per head on all imported cattle, in lieu of the tax heretofore exacted by the Spanish government for slaughtering the animals when used for food. The duties on other animals, such as horses, mules, sheep, etc., have been reduced to nominal rates.

The duties on instruments, machinery and apparatus employed in agricultural industry and locomotion have been changed from specific to ad valorem, and it is believed the reduction of duty on machinery used in agriculture and the manufacture of sugar to 10 per cent ad valorem will add in the reconstruction of the southern sugar plantations.

In view of the fact that Cuba a generation ago exported into 600,000 pounds of coffee, and that it produces a very fine grade of this important article, it has been deemed advisable to restore the duty on coffee to the maximum Spanish rate.

Moreover, the duty on which under the Santti no tariff was altogether too low to prevent the importation to Cuba of inferior grades of tobacco and its re-exportation as Cuban tobacco, has been put at a rate in the proposed tariff which it is believed will effectively prevent any dishonest practice of this kind.

No matter how much better you think you are going to do by buying your Christmas presents somewhere else, don't let go of your money until you have seen our goods and learned our prices. You may think this little speech is made wholly in our own interest, but if you take our advice you will find there is money in it for you. E. B. Brumm. 12-14-17

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Of new goods and especially new designs in coats, cloaks and wraps. The season is now at its height. Not a day but some new goods arrive. See our window display, and do not fail to see our prices.

New Silks, New Dress Goods, New Ribbons, New Laces, New Kid Gloves, New Black Goods, New Novelties.

Here you'll find prices in keeping with your purse and styles unapproachable.

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A Carpet Sweeper or a pretty