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FULL STOCK—ALL NEW GOODS, NEW CROP and NEW PACKING.

RAISINS—New blue muscatels, 2, 3 and 4 lbs for 25 cents. New Seedless. New Seedless. New Sultana. New Valencia. New Layer Raisins.

PRUNES—2, 3, 4 and 5 pounds for 25 cents.

EVAPORATED FRUITS—New Peaches, Pears, Apricots, Apples and Plums.

New Figs and Dates. New Citron, Lemon and Orange. New Florida and Jamaica Oranges.

NUTS—Almonds, Cream, Filberts, Pecans and Walnuts.

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.

HIGHWAYMEN FLED.

Made Unsuccessful Attempts to Rob Miners Homeward Bound.

While two Polish miners were on their way home from work at the Maple Hill colliery at three o'clock this morning, and had reached the summit of the hill between the Indian Ridge colliery and Ellangowan, two young men stepped from the bushes at the side of the highway and one of them said, "Stop, you Poles! — we want to talk to you." One of the miners had a revolver with him and he promptly drew it, whereupon the two would-be robbers ran away. One of them shouted back, "We know you, and will fix you for this in town." The miners were not disturbed again, however. They complained to the police upon arrival here and arrests are likely to follow. One of the miners had a pay of \$30 in his pockets.

To complete dressiness by LEVIT hats.

Will Enjoy Themselves.

The theatrical profession is the only one in which the toilers never have time to enjoy a holiday. With the thespians the term "holiday" is synonymous with what is known in this region as "double shift"—in other words a matinee and evening performance. Such will be the case when the Little Irene Myers Company open its engagement for one week at Ferguson's theatre on Monday. Still the company will not let the holiday pass without allowing themselves some enjoyment, and after the performance Monday night they will have a Christmas tree gathering in their suite of rooms in the Ferguson House. Little Irene played with the Tommy Shearer company in town during Christmas week last year, and had the same kind of a gathering at the same hotel on Christmas night.

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

Gibson Returns.

Constable Matt Gibson last night returned from Philadelphia, where he arrested Jeremiah Gillman on a charge of selling brewed and malt liquors without a license. The accused gave \$500 bail before Magistrate Eisenbrow in Philadelphia to appear for a hearing before Justice Toomey in town next Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Gillman's defense is that his sales are legally made in Philadelphia. He sends out agents, and, upon getting orders, the beer is shipped collect on delivery when it reaches the consumer in the county. The decision in the case is looked for with interest by the brewers.

Roses, Violets and Carnations.

Leave your orders at the Shenandoah drug store. Telephone connections. 12-14-14

Police Appointment.

Patrick Stack, one of the motormen on the Schuylkill Traction line, has been appointed on the C. & I. police force and will go on duty in the Girardville district on January 1st. Mr. Stack is a popular and highly esteemed young man who will prove as faithful an officer as he has been a motorman. His Christmas title has been a handsome one, as his appointment was followed Thursday night by the gift of a son from his wife.

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

Barrowsparrow Caught.

Andrew Barrowsparrow was convicted at the September term of criminal court of selling liquor in West Mahanoy township without a license, but was never presented in court for sentence. On one occasion it was stated that he had been in an account of injuries sustained in a fight. To-day Constable Gibson arrested Barrowsparrow at Lost Creek No. 2, on a capias, and hustled him down to the Pottsville jail, where he will remain until the court passes sentence on him next week.

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. 12-14-14

The Theatre.

"The Black Flag" has been selected for the Monday matinee of the Little Irene Myers Company at Ferguson's theatre. It is followed by a magnificent production of "The Silver King" at night. It will be the first performance ever given in this city of the latter play at popular prices. It being controlled exclusively by this company. Little Irene will be seen in a handsome dress. Her very conspicuous part, which affords excellent opportunity for displaying her phenomenal dramatic ability. Continuous performances will prevail throughout the week, high class specialties being given between the acts of every play.

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

Dance To-night.

The Shenandoah Glee Club will hold their annual dance this evening, in Dougherty's hall, corner Jardia and Centre streets. One of the features will be a waltzing contest. An enjoyable time is in store for those who attend.

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

A Generous Company.

The generosity of the Columbia Brewing Company was demonstrated yesterday, when each employe received a large turkey as a Christmas gift. About forty turkeys were required for the distribution. The kind remembrance was heartily appreciated by the recipients of the company's gifts.

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

Columbia Fair To-night.

There will be a change of program for the entertainment at the Columbia Fair in Robbins' opera house. The Columbia Glee Club and Mr. Cooney will sing. The door gift will be a box of groceries.

Fashionable stiff hat, \$1. MAX LEVIT'S.

Ladies' Gold Filled Watches at \$10.

A marvel of a bargain. You can't find an inch of floor space in our store that does not contain such bargains in holiday gifts. Buchanan, the Jeweler, 118 South Main St.

For nobby hats go to MAX LEVIT'S. 5c

Holiday Jewelry shoppers.

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

The newest neckwear, MAX LEVIT'S. 5c

We can furnish you with palms of any size or variety, at short notice, and our prices are reasonable. Electric cars pass our door, reasonable. Electric cars pass our door, reasonable. Payne's Nursery, Girardville. 12-10-14-14

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

CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS

Regular Services in All Local Churches To-morrow.

SPECIAL THEMES FOR SERMONS.

With a Couple of Exceptions the Christmas Entertainments Have Been Deferred Until Monday Night—Interesting Programs Have Been Arranged For the Occasion.

As Christmas falls on Sunday this year, but is not legally observed until Monday, no little doubt arose in some of the religious congregations of town as to when the children's services should be held. Some people maintained that the legal aspect of the matter had reference to the suspension of general business, and that it would be perfectly proper to hold the children's exercises on Sunday. The majority of the congregations decided, however, that as Monday was legally declared the day for Christmas observance, it would be more appropriate to hold the exercises on that day. Only one congregation will have its Christmas entertainment on Sunday. Another has picked up Sunday for the entertainment and January 2nd for the distribution of presents. All the other congregations that intend having entertainments will hold them on Monday evening next.

CALVARY BAPTIST.

Christmas Day services will be held in the Calvary Baptist church to-morrow morning, afternoon and evening. There will be regular service at 10:30 a. m., special service for the children in the afternoon, at 2 o'clock, when they will sing, recite, sing, recite, sing, recitations, etc. This service will be conducted by Superintendent John Rumm. At the evening service the pastor, Rev. R. R. Albin, will deliver a Christmas sermon and appropriate music will be rendered by the choir. Under the leadership of Prof. William Waters. The following will be the program for the afternoon service: Greeting, Miss Mary Price. Recitations—"The Legend of the Christmas Tree," William Evans; "The Christmas Stranger," Joseph Miller; "Christmas Bells," William Thomas; "The Good Shepherd," Gwendine Lewis; "The Mission Band," Minnie Jones. Exercises—"Chiming Bells," infant department; "The Christmas Story," seven girls. Recitations—"The Babe of Bethlehem," Edith Evans; "The Angel's Song," Minnie Hoffman; "The Christmas Moon," Stella Davis. Appropriate music will be rendered by the choir. The distribution of presents to children of the Sunday school will take place on Monday evening, Jan. 2nd.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

Rev. James Moore will preach a Christmas sermon in the Methodist Episcopal church to-morrow morning, and in the evening there will be a sacred service under the auspices of the choir, when the following program will be presented: Solo and duet, Jennie Hares and Mrs. Mallick; solo, Mrs. Mallick; duet, Anna Timmons and Harriet Parrish; male quartet, solo, Mrs. Bevan; and several Christmas selections by Mrs. Bevan. On Monday evening the annual Christmas entertainment will be held in the church, and the following program given: Recitations, Miss Price, Thomas James, Essie Major, Olive Hays, Lucie Slane, Julia Edmondson, Gertrude James, Jennie Broxton, Gertrude James, Fannie and Lizzie Hinderliter and Thomas James; solo, Lulu Deiter; duets, Fannie and Lizzie Hinderliter; Mabel Deiter and Lizzie Hinderliter; solo, Edith Evans; Edith Evans, Edith Taylor; Eds Edmondson and Willie Taylor.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

A Christmas carol service will be held in the Methodist Episcopal church to-morrow morning, commencing at six o'clock. The regular services will be held at the usual hours, the pastor, Rev. J. T. Swinicki, presiding. The services will be held at 12 o'clock, and the annual exercises of the Sunday school will be held in the church and an entertainment entitled, "The Christmas Message" will be given. It will include hymns, prayers, reading of scripture lessons, recitations by Sarah Grewer, Stella Taylor, in sacred songs, Margaret Howells; solo, Miss Jones; recitations, Jane Hopkins, Gettie Whomly, Sarah Rogers, Garfield Jones, Tillie Roberts, Edith Rogers, Louise Williams, Edith Roberts, Meriam Jones, Mary Miller, Walter Capner, Ethel Miller, Mary Wilson, Christiana Jones, Lila Miller, Jennie Blower, Eds Hopkins, Edith Potts, Joseph Jones, Sarah Jones, Bessie Griffiths, Sarah Roberts, Lizzie Hopkins. In addition to the above there will be addresses, singing by the primary department, etc.

TRINITY REFORMED.

The early Christmas service in the Trinity Reformed church will be held at 8 a. m. Regular services will be held at 10 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. These will be the last services at which the present pastor, Rev. Robert O'Boyle, will officiate, as next week he leaves to assume his new charge at Sunbury. The distribution of the Christmas services will be held in the church on Monday evening.

EVANGELICAL.

Presiding Elder Strick, of Allentown, will assist pastor, Rev. J. J. Reitz, at the morning service in the United Evangelical church to-morrow and regular service will be held in the evening. On Monday evening the Christmas entertainment will be held in the church.

PRESBYTERIAN.

The usual services will be held in the Presbyterian church to-morrow morning and evening, and the Christmas entertainment will be held on Monday night.

ANNUNCIATION.

Regular Christmas masses will be celebrated in the Annunciation church to-morrow morning, at 7, 8 and 10 o'clock.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH.

There will be three services in All Saints' Episcopal church to-morrow, at 8 and 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. The Christmas Truce services will be held on Monday evening. The following is the program for to-morrow: Communion, "O, Come all ye Faithful," Communion service in E flat, Woodward; Te Deum in D, J. T. Field; magnificent and nunc Dimittis in D, J. T. Field; anthem, "Let us now go even unto Bethlehem," Hopkins; offertory, "Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem," Cruickshank; Recessional, "Angels from the realms of glory."

ST. STANISLAUS POLISH CHURCH.

The Christmas services in St. Stanislaus Polish Ch. church will be inaugurated to-night by a reading of solemn mass at midnight. To-morrow morning, at 11 o'clock, Rev. Albinus Kaminski, the newly ordained curate, will read his first mass. He will be assisted by the rector, Rev. Matulajic, and Rev. Mikulas, who will act as deacon. It is expected Rev. Olesinski, of Philadelphia, will be sub-deacon. The celebration of the Forty Hours' Devotion will begin on New Year's Day.

EVERGREEN, HOLLY and MISTLETOE.

Fresh from the forest. Leave your orders at the Shenandoah drug store. Telephone connections. Orders promptly filled. 12-22-31.

TRUTH, PLAINLY TOLD.

The Always Busy Jewelry Store, Strouse's, and Its Revelations in Gifts.

If there is ever a time when one wants the right kind of goods, it certainly is at Christmas time, when selecting articles suitable for presents, but sensible and profitable when you consider the quality and the price.

At the prices we are quoting for holiday presents in our extensive line of jewelry, silverware, bric-a-brac, novelties, innumerable, etc., you can afford to give yourself a present, make a good investment and save money at the same time.

To-day is the last of the Christmas preparatory season and it will be a surprise to you if you come to our store and see our stock, which is yet at its best. We are receiving goods while you read our announcement. Our store is a whirl of activity at the present hour, and it is a pleasure to us to be in such a position as not to disappoint you in your last desires.

We have delighted hundreds during this season, and are amply supplied to satiate the desires of all who wish to buy. Why is it? Because independent, economical buyers find they can always do better at Strouse's than elsewhere in quantity, quality and price. This is the truth plainly told, and holiday purchasers will be fully convinced when they make up their minds to buy their Christmas gifts at Strouse's, 11 North Main street.

SILK MUFFLERS.

Our entire line of fashionable patterns at cut prices. Seasonable holiday gifts. MAX LEVIT'S. 12-20-51

Wagon Tipset.

A farmer's wagon loaded with fowl and produce was overturned on South Jardia street this morning and for several minutes the owner of the outfit and several citizens who volunteered to assist him worked hard to get affairs into their normal shape. There was a quantity of eggs on the wagon, but not one was broken in the spill. In fact, the farmer sustained no loss.

We sell the Haves hat, the best \$3.00 hat made. MAX LEVIT'S. 12-10-51

Brennan's Cafe Attraction.

Messrs. Connell and Hallen, two clever metropolitan vaudeville artists, will open an engagement at Dan Brennan's cafe to-night and will continue during the holiday week. They will render all that is new in the world of song and also several real but comical sketches. A change of bill will be made nightly, and Mr. Brennan guarantees them to be an all star attraction. 11-24-21

MUFFLERS.

In great varieties at \$1.00. MAX LEVIT'S.

Artistic Decoration.

The large artists in Muldoon's cafe, corner of Centre and West streets, present an attractive appearance, and are artistically decorated with a likeness of Admiral Dewey and holiday greetings by John P. Carley, the painter.

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. 12-14-14

Post Office Hours.

On Monday the post office will close at 11 a. m. No money orders will be issued or paid. The following places will be served with the first delivery: Brownsville, Turkey Run, Yatesville, Ellangowan and Maple Hill.

Forecast for This Week.

Fair dealings in ladies and gents' gold and silver watches. Engraving done, free, with every purchase. Buchanan, Jeweler, 118 S. Main street.

Roses, Violets and Carnations.

Leave your orders at the Shenandoah drug store. Telephone connections. 12

Mr. McCarthy's Statement.

John McCarthy called at the HERALD office to deny the statement that Thomas McGuire, whose son was injured by a stone thrown by young McCarthy, had made application to him for an amicable settlement of the case. He received no such offer from anybody.

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. 11

Pooler's Christmas Attraction.

Coldwell and Hoyt, black and white face specialty artists, will begin their two weeks engagement at Pooler's concert saloon, 115 East Centre street, to-night. Come and hear them. 11

The Fair at Lost Creek.

The fair of the T. A. B. society and band of Lost Creek, will open in Temperance hall at that place next Monday. There are numerous attractions and the indications are that the attendance will be large.

Call at Holderman's Jewelry store and get prices on goods superior to any in town. 11

Child Injured.

Maggie, seven-year-old child of Andrew Ramskie, of Mahanoy City, sustained a fracture of the left leg at the ankle to-day, while playing on a pile of lumber.

BRYAN ON THE ISSUES

The Democratic Leader Talks to His Neighbors.

WHO WILL HAUL DOWN THE FLAG?

Colonel Bryan Answers the President's Question by Declaring That It Shall Be Hauled Down Whenever the People So Declare, as It Has Been Before.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 24.—Colonel W. J. Bryan returned to Lincoln yesterday afternoon, and was last night tendered a reception at the Oliver theater by the Woman's Bimetallic League. The house was crowded, and Colonel Bryan received an ovation. He was introduced by Governor Holcomb, who formally welcomed him home and complimented him for his patriotism in enlisting in the army.

After thanking his neighbors for their cordial welcome and complimenting the members of his regiment and Colonel Vilquin, in whose charge he left them, he justified his resignation as follows:

"I had five months of peace in the army and resigned in order to take a part in a fight. I am as much interested in the people of the United States as I am in the people of Cuba and unless I am mistaken in judging we are called upon to meet more important problems in the United States just now than will confront our army in Cuba.

"Some of these problems were under discussion before hostilities began; others have been thrust upon us as a result of the war. Let me improve this, my first opportunity, to assure you that my goal for the reforms advocated a few months ago has not in the least abated.

"The American people have not accepted the gold standard as final. It has wrought more injustice in our country during the last 25 years than Spain has wrought in all her colonies, and opposition to it will grow until the gold and silver coinage of the constitution is fully restored. The trusts which now flourish in defiance of law are more meretricious than Weyer was, and the new trust—the paper money trust, which is seeking to obtain control of all the paper money of the nation—is a greater menace to the country's welfare than any foreign foe.

"There are, however, two new questions which demand immediate attention, because congress is asked to act upon them at once. The president recommends that the regular army be permanently increased to 100,000 men. This question must be met now or not at all.

"Taking up the subject of imperialism Mr. Bryan said that the president has misinterpreted the sentiment of the people. They are opposed to giving the Philippine Islands back to Spain, but they have not as yet declared in favor of embarking upon a colonial policy. So great a change, he said, could not be undertaken without more investigation and deliberation than the people had yet given the subject. Referring to President McKinley's inquiry, "Who will haul down the flag?" he said:

"The flag is a national emblem and is obedient to the national will. It was made for the people, not the people for the flag. When the American people want the flag raised they raise it; when they want it hauled down they haul it down. The flag was raised upon Canadian soil during the war of 1812 and it was hauled down when peace was restored. The flag was planted upon Chapultepec during the war with Mexico, and it was hauled down when the war was over. The morning papers announce that General Lee ordered the flag hauled down in Cuba yesterday, because it was raised too soon. The flag will be raised in Cuba again on the first of January, but the president declares in his message that it will be hauled down as soon as a stable government is established. Who will deny to the people the right to haul the flag down in the Philippines, if they so desire, when a stable government is established there?"

"Our flag stands for an indissoluble union of indistinguishable states. Every state is represented by a star, and every territory sees in the constitution a star of hope that it will some day take its place in the constellation. What is there in the flag awakens the zeal or reflect the aspirations of vast colonies which are too good to be cast away, but not good enough to be admitted to the sisterhood of states?"

"Shall we keep the Philippines and amend our flag? Shall we add a new star—the blood star, Mars—to indicate that we have entered upon a career of conquest? Or shall we borrow the yellow, which in 1896 was the badge of gold and greed, and paint Saturn and Mars in his message that it will be hauled down as soon as a stable government is established. Who will deny to the people the right to haul the flag down in the Philippines, if they so desire, when a stable government is established there?"

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