

**HOOKS & BROWN.**  
**Did You Get an Unexpected Gift?**  
**Do You Wish to Return It?**

We have a few holiday gifts left that we will close out at reduced prices.  
 We have a full line of Blank Books, Ledgers, Day Books, etc., suitable for opening new books at New Years. Any book not in stock we will get at a few days notice.

**SPECIAL.**--Forty kinds of 40c Chocolates at 25c a pound. Lowney's package candy, none better, 10, 15, 30, and 60 cents per package.

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

**Holiday Gifts.**  
**For a Lady.**  
 A bottle of elegant perfume. The choicest of extracts. The very latest productions.  
**For a Gentleman.**  
 A box of our fine cigars. Put up expressly for the holiday trade.

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

**DAVISON'S!**  
 DEPARTMENT STORES.

That is the place to go to get a realistic picture of what you want for the New Year. It will do you good to glance over our extraordinary big line of

**ROCKERS,**  
 For the Mere Sum of 90 Cents and up.

Purchased expressly for our holiday trade. They must be seen to be appreciated. Yes, and they must be sold. No carrying over until another season. Come early and secure your choice.

**SACRIFICE SALE**  
 OF STOVES, RANGES AND HEATERS.

Our store is overcrowded as is also our storage place at the depot. For the next 10 days we will sacrifice them at almost our own price. The "True Fortune" heater, for many years sold by Wm. Pratt, of town, and who has furnished many a resident with the same, is included in our stock. Also the "New Broadway" range, the "Broadway Fortune," "Family Fortune," "Queen Cinderella" and "Liberty."

**FURNITURE.**  
 DO NOT FORGET US WHEN BUYING.

**DAVISON'S**  
 Department Stores,  
 Nos. 119-121-123 North Main St.

**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 New Year gifts.

**W. G. DUSTO'S**  
 Tonsorial Parlors,  
 Ferguson House Block.

**Special Sale on Heaters.**  
 We are going to wind up the old year by inaugurating a special sale on heaters. They are the


**Laura, Gem Ringgold, Happy Greeting, Art Ringgold, Colossees.**

A \$25 Heater can now be bought as low as \$15.  
 This is the best chance ever afforded. We must close them out before the season closes. Our parlor ranges, stoves and other heaters are worthy of inspection.  
**FURNITURE.**--We have nice holiday stock which we can sell at a saving of 25 per cent. over any other dealer. Call and see us.

**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.

**HOOKS & BROWN.**

**Announcement...**  
  
 Now that "The holiday rush" is over, I will, in a few days, be able to attend to your wants with my usual promptness, and I will—as in the past—spare neither pains nor expense in my efforts to please all who entrust their work to me. You may be assured that it will be attended to properly and in a competent manner.  
 It is my ambition to add to the reputation I have already established in the past years. Prices will always be found the lowest, quality and work considered, and the interest of my patrons will be kept constantly in view.  
 In this space I will—each week—endeavor to tell you something of interest.  
 Again thanking you for the confidence so generously manifested by you in the past, and soliciting your further commands as well as those of my new friends, I remain  
 Yours respectfully,  
**Thos. Buchanan,**  
 118 S. Main Street.

**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.

**YES**  
 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.

**Happy New Year!**  
 Here we are again with bargains for this week only!

\$1.00 dressed and undressed dolls for 78 and 83c; 50 cent dressed and undressed dolls for 40 and 43c; 40 cent dressed dolls for 25 and 30c. A few pieces in celluloid novelties to go at less than half price. Flat calf head drums, regular dollar size for 75c.  
**Ladies' Fine Muffs.**--A \$5.00 Monkey Fur, at \$3.00; a fine Seal Muff, with purse attached, regular price \$6.00, at \$3.00; \$2.25 Muffs at \$1.85; \$2.00 at \$1.50.

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

**A**  
 What does A stand for? When some friend suggests that your blood needs A sarsaparilla treatment, remember that A stands for AYER'S. The first letter in the alphabet stands for the first of sarsaparillas; first in origin, first in record, first in the favor of the family. For nearly half a century

**Ayer's Sarsaparilla**

has been curing all forms of blood diseases—scrofula, eczema, tetter, rheumatism, erysipelas, blood poisoning, etc. There's a book about these cures—"Ayer's Carebook, a story of cures told by the cured,"—which is sent free on request, by Dr. J. C. Ayer, Lowell, Mass. The book will interest you if you are sick or weak, because it tells not what it is claimed the remedy will do, but what your neighbors and fellows testify that it has done. Will it cure you? It has cured thousands like you. Why not you?

**THE GREATEST ALMANAC.**  
 A Wonderful Collection of Facts Issued by "The Philadelphia Press."

To those familiar with the almanac issued by The Philadelphia Press, Pennsylvania's greatest newspaper, the announcement that the 1899 edition is on sale is quite sufficient to induce purchase. Those who have examined the contents of the two previous volumes issued by that paper know that there is not to be found in the United States—and, if not there, nowhere in the world—an almanac which surpasses The Press for accuracy, comprehensiveness, variety and attractiveness. It is a volume of over 900 pages, replete with the information that every citizen interested in the past, the present or the future of the country in which he lives needs constantly. What The Philadelphia Press does for the news of the world daily its almanac does for the events of the year. There is not one department of human activity which is not touched on. The farmer and the merchant, the clerk and the professional man may each find in it something to interest and to instruct. It answers the many questions concerning the government of the United States and of foreign nations, is a valuable resume of the war with Spain, abounds with statistics from commercial and industrial pursuits, tells the story of the part played by the Keystone boys in the late war—and is, in fact, a complete cyclopaedia of the world's activities during 1898, and must be indispensable to every thinking American citizen. The almanac may be had from newsmen or by sending 25 cents to The Press, Philadelphia.

It's the little colds that grow into big colds; the big colds that end in consumption and death. Watch the little colds. Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

**Dressed Poultry!**  
 Turkeys, Ducks, Geese, Chickens,  
 At Lowest Cash Prices.  
**ZIMMERMAN'S**  
 Meat Market,  
 124 S. Main St.

**HOLIDAY GIFTS.**  
 Ladies' and Gents' Gold Watches. Rings of every description and setting. Silverware.  
 We are low priced jewelers, but give you standard goods for the same money.  
**E. DEULL,**  
 206 South Main St., Shenandoah.

Our place is the farthest down Main street and farthest down in prices. Come and see us.  
**Canaries.**  
 A fine lot of singers received from Philadelphia. All kinds. They will make acceptable New Year gifts.  
**JAPANESE GOLD FISH**  
 and globes. All kinds of pigeons. We also sell miners' supplies and drilling machines.  
**DAVID HOPKINS,**  
 105 East Centre street, Shenandoah, Pa.

**Deaths Recorded.**  
 Deed from Owen Keenan, et al., to Joseph Niehter, premises in Pottsville.  
 Deed from Joseph H. Niehter to A. C. Meenschmidt, premises in Pottsville.  
 Deed from W. L. Turbert and wife to John C. Letzgar, premises in East Union Twp.  
 Deed from ladore Meyers and wife to Chas. F. Blew, administrator, &c., for 59 acres and 3 perches of land in Ryan Twp.  
 Ask your grocer for the "Royal Patent flour, and take no other brand. It is the best flour made."  
**Deaths and Funerals.**  
 Mrs. Marie Schaefer, widow of Jacob Schaefer, died at Pottsville Christmas evening and was buried to-day. She was 72 years old.  
 George Washer, the 16-year-old son of John Washer, stable boy for the P. & E. C. & L. Co., at Mahanoy Plane, died suddenly at his home Monday morning of heart trouble.  
 John Screoney, a former resident of Pottsville, was buried at that place yesterday. He died at Newport News, Va., last Friday. He was 28 years old.  
 Mrs. Kimmel, wife of a well known Orwigsburg farmer, was buried yesterday.  
 Mrs. William Dornbach, who has been a resident of Mahanoy Plane for upwards of 30 years past, died at her home on Tuesday and will be buried at Millin Cross Roads, Columbia county, on Friday. An aged husband alone survives her.  
 The funeral of Mrs. Whalen will take place from her late residence at Girardville to-morrow morning. The deceased enjoyed a large acquaintance in town.  
 Henry Goodhall, 67 years old, died at his home in Tanawagon on Monday from consumption. His wife and a daughter survive him. The funeral will take place on Friday.  
 William Holley, 79 years old, died at Mauch Chunk yesterday. He drove the first stake in the survey of the Lehigh Valley railroad many years ago when coal was shipped over the South Bank route, between Mauch Chunk and Summit Hill.

**A Blessing For the Ladies.**  
 Thousands of ladies are using Brazilian Balm. For soreness, pain, bearing down and many kinds of trouble, it acts like a charm. A 50 cent or dollar bottle often does more good in one week than any other remedy does in months. It goes right to the spot, removing all inflammation. Mrs. Geo. W. Roberts, of Wilmington, Del., says, "A strong solution of Brazilian Balm and warm water used as an injection has done me more good than all the remedies and prescriptions I ever tried."  
 Shenandoah drug store, wholesale agents

**THE WEATHER.**  
 The forecast for Thursday: Clear, still colder weather and northwesterly winds.  
**PITHY POINTS.**  
 **happenings Throughout the Country**  
 Chronicled for Hasty Forum.

To-day the doctors have their innings and most of them make base hits.  
 The filing of the jury wheel for the courts of this county is finished. Two thousand names were selected.  
 An 11-year-old girl named Douglas, whose parents reside at Locust Gap, was arrested at Ashland as a girl tramp.  
 If you intend to discard any of your bad habits on New Years you might get a little used to it by practicing this week.  
 Grand Army men of Selingsgrove adopted resolutions of protest against the proposed pensioning of Confederate veterans.  
 John Sorowski died at his home in Shamokin from injuries received by an explosion of gas at Lake Eldie colliery on Saturday.  
 It is said that Lloyd Winterstein, who won wide fame through the Bloomsburg dynamite conspiracy, is going to engage in business in Cuba.  
 Lawrence Glassie, 31 years, was killed by falling down stairs at his home in Shamokin Sunday night. He left a wife and nine children.  
 The attendance of the small boy at Sunday school is not likely to be as regular for the balance of the winter as it was up to Christmas.  
 Clinton county farmers the past season gathered an aggregate wheat crop of over 500,000 bushels and got good returns from their tobacco fields.  
 Frank Woods, a traveling salesman of Danville, disappeared from home last Thursday and it is feared he has been drowned in the Susquehanna river.  
 A stone hurled through the window of a trolley car between Shamokin and Mt. Carmel by some unknown party knocked out several of Oliver Swank's teeth.  
 John L. Mathias, Mahanoy City, has at his residence a Christmas tree on which there are trimmings that cost \$100. And the genial book agent's children are all married, too.

While Miss Ella Smith, of Rehrersburg, Lancaster county, was out walking at Lebanon last evening she was attacked by an unknown man, who secured her gold watch and pocket-book.  
 It is said Patrick Brennan, a P. & E. C. & L. Co. mine foreman at Shamokin, is becoming rich through a cotton machine invention in which he became interested about a dozen years ago.  
 Joseph Long, of Shamokin, while visiting his daughter, Mrs. L. J. Lamberson, at Selingsgrove, was stricken with apoplexy in his bed and died a few minutes afterward. He was 78 years old.

**PERSONAL MENTION.**  
 Roy Lingham is visiting friends at Pottsville.  
 James Henlin, of New York, is a guest of town friends.  
 Miss Mary Horan, of Wilkesbarre, is visiting friends in town.  
 Col. P. H. Monaghan, of Girardville, was a visitor to town to-day.  
 Charles, son of P. & E. District Superintendent Adam Boyd, is ill.  
 Miss Mary Conklin visited friends at Mahanoy City last evening.  
 R. A. McCurdy, of Sunbury, visited acquaintances here yesterday.  
 Joseph H. Kehler, of Allentown, is being entertained by relatives here.  
 John Mahoney, of Lancaster, Pa., was a guest of town friends yesterday.  
 Dr. James Stein has returned to his field of professional duties at Scranton.  
 Miss Laura Schaeffer, of Pottsville, is being entertained by Miss Mahala Fairchild.  
 Misses Hannah McDermott and Alice O'Reilly visited friends at Mt. Carmel to-day.  
 Misses Katie and Nora Gorman, of Mahanoy City, were guests of town friends yesterday.  
 Irwin Yost returned to New York yesterday, after spending the holidays with his family.  
 Mr. and Mrs. William Edwards and daughter, of Mt. Carmel, are visiting friends in town.  
 Miss May Bradigan, of West Chester, Pa., is brightening the home of her parents in town this week.  
 Thomas O'Brien, a government employe at Washington, D. C., is visiting John O'Brien, his brother, at Wm. Penn.  
 Miss Rachel Howard, of Philadelphia, is spending the holidays with Miss Rachel Killin, on East Oak street.  
 Miss Laura Thomas, of Perth Amboy, and Daniel Shortel, of Pottsville, are the guests of Miss Mattie Thomas, on North Jardin street.  
 Mrs. William Amour, wife of Justice of the Peace Amour, of Mt. Carmel, and sister-in-law of Richard Amour, of town, is suffering from pneumonia.  
 Mrs. Henry Huntzinger and Miss Lizzie Huntzinger, of Mahanoy City, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Thomas, on West Coal street, last evening.

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 Denomination \$750. Bonds numbered, 17, 18, 21, 41, 43, 74, 75, 77, 127; 10 bonds, \$7,500.  
 Total, \$21,500.  
 Holders of above bonds will present the same for redemption after December 31st, 1898. By order of the County Commissioners.  
 CHAS. A. SYVLER, Controller.  
 Contr. 541's office, Pottsville, Pa. 12-19-21-28

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**BELL'S MEAT MARKET,**  
 19 W. OAK STREET.  
**Ferguson's Theatre.**  
 ALL NEXT WEEK.  
**LITTLE IRENE MYERS,**  
 Supported by the Versatile Comedian . . . . .  
**Chas. H. Leyburne**  
 And a Select Company.  
**TO-NIGHT,**  
**"THE MINERS' WIFE."**  
 Matinees—Monday, Wednesday and Saturday.  
 Matinee Prices: 10 and 20 Cts.  
 Night Prices: 10, 20 and 30 Cts.  
 Seats now on sale.

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

**Cold Weather Facts.**  
 It may be too late to buy Overcoats and Clothing as Christmas presents, but it is not too late to buy warm Clothing. The winter hasn't got fairly started, and now is the time to prepare for the cold weather which is at hand. We clothe in the best and at the lowest possible cost.  
 Our Overcoats are gems in quality, make and style. Our Clothing is in the same line. Call and inspect our stock. It will cost you nothing. Our salesmen are ever ready to wait upon customers and give them all information as to prices.  
 Our stock is counted by the thousands. There is no man, youth, or child we cannot fit, and no pocketbook which we cannot meet. Don't be afraid that you haven't got money enough to buy at our store. If you want to buy, we will suit you as to price.

**Mammoth Clothing House,**  
 L. GOLDIN, Proprietor.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**  
**WANTED.**--A girl for general housework, a good wages paid to experienced person who can give reference. Apply to Mrs. N. W. Beddell, 22 South White street, Shenandoah, Pa. 12-24-11  
**FOR SALE.**--Several very valuable and desirable vacant lots, also several houses which will sell singly or in blocks. For further information apply to S. A. Beddell, Tanawagon, Pa. 12-24-11  
**FOR RENT.**--Dwelling house, with all conveniences, with good location, for rent. Apply at this office. 12-24-11

**STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.**  
**FIRST NATIONAL BANK,**  
 SHENANDOAH, PA., Dec. 10th, 1898.  
 The annual election of thirteen (13) directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the bank on Tuesday, January 10th, 1899, from 10 a. m. until 12 o'clock noon. Security Building and Saving Union, Scranton, Pa. 12-10-98-60.  
 S. W. YORK, Cashier.

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**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.  
 Hollies and Evergreens of Every Description.

**John Coslett,**  
 35 S. Main St.  
**Renovated, Refurnished, Re-established.**  
**Lakeside Hotel!**  
 B. J. YOST, Prop.

This popular hostelry is now open for the entertainment of sleighing and skating parties. Dancing pavilion always heated. Excellent skating on the lakes, and supper served to parties on short notice.  
**Live and Dressed Poultry.**  
 Leave your orders with us. We insure satisfaction and prompt delivery.  
 Our prices are lower than others.  
 Come and see us.  
**Philip Yarowsky,**  
 213 WEST CENTRE ST., SHENANDOAH, PA.

**The Rosy Freshness**  
 And a velvety softness of the skin is invariably obtained by those who use Pozsoni's Complexion Powder.

**P. J. GAUGHAN,**  
 NORTH MAIN STREET.  
**Shenandoah Ice Company,**  
 Wholesale and Retail Dealers in Pure Spring Water Ice.  
 Contracts for summer and winter fillings. Call on or address  
**HART, DADDOW & CO.,** 25 N. Jardin St.

Will be paid to any person who finds us to misrepresent our goods. If not as represented we will refund your 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.

**SWALM'S HARDWARE STORE.**  
**DOLLS and TOYS.**  
 Our departments are now ready for your inspection. The goods represent all the newest, as well as the best of the old favorites. Trashy and unreliable grades find no place here. See our superior line of dolls with jointed and kid bodies. We feel positive you will find here just what you want in the toy line and a neat saving in prices. Early selections are advisable while our stocks are most complete.  
**Games.**  
 Twenty-five of the latest; worth 35 cents at 25 cents.  
 Thirty-eight of the latest; worth 75 cents at 45 cents.  
 "Onita," the Egyptian Luck Board.  
 A B C Blocks.  
 Also wooden and wagon blocks.  
**China Department.**  
 After dinner cups and saucers. Latest and daintiest plates, lemonade sets, etc.  
**Fancy Goods Department.**  
 Grandest display of fancy goods ever shown. This department should be the Mecca for givers of holiday gifts. Description of the wares will not do them justice. They should be inspected. A vast array of handsome comb and brush toilet sets, shaving sets, smokers' sets, work boxes, collar and cuff boxes, glove and handkerchief boxes, jewel boxes, cigar boxes, French jewel cases, hand mirrors, hand-painted earl ware, albums, frames, which broom holders, tobacco jars, etc., etc.

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

**LADIES', MISSES' AND CHILDREN'S COATS.**  
**AND PULSH CAPES.**  
 Ladies' Cloths, Fur

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.

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