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J. P. Williams & Son, FURNITURE AND MUSIC STORE.
13 S. Main St., Shenandoah, Pa.

GO TO O'HARA'S
FOR FINE LIVERY AND UNDERTAKING
OPEN DAY AND NIGHT.

Cor. Lloyd and White Sts., SHENANDOAH and Main Street, MAHANAY CITY.

Of Interest to Ladies!

Oh--What Buckles! The newest patterns--50 cent goods for 25 cents each. Fine enameled goods. They are beauties. And we have a most excellent line of wide ribbons in stock with which to make the new fashioned belts--at most temptingly low prices. Crushed Belts made up with fancy enameled buckles for 50 cents. You are welcome to see them--no matter whether you buy or not.

Beauties--Cheap! In order to have a special sale for the next week, we have reduced our stock of 25 cent Windsor Ties down to 15 cents each; 20 cent ones down to 10 cents. They are all fine stock in all silk goods.

A few styles of White Silk Baby Caps, reduced from 25 and 35 cents, down to 15 cents each. Some 50 cent Colored Silk Caps down to 35 cents.

Morgan's Fancy Bazar, 23 North Main St.

FOR SALE.—The damaged building, 30x50. As it stands, with exception of the plate glass. The same to be removed in 10 days. Bids opened Monday, March 13th, at 7 p. m.

Swalm's Hardware Store.

JEWELRY, SILVERWARE, OPTICAL GOODS, CLOCKS, WATCHES, MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

We have goods arriving daily from New York. Our stock is always open for inspection, and is such as to meet with the approbation of all our patrons. Besides the tempting designs we constantly offer our prices is the greatest drawing card.

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

IF YOU LIKE

A cup of good coffee and want to save money, try our
Mexican Coffee
At 18 cents. It is equal in strength and flavor to a great deal of coffee sold at much higher prices.

If you want something better, try our
Java Blend at 25 Cents.

If you want the Best Java Coffee we can buy, try our
35c Old Government Dutch Java.

Our 10 cent Loose Roasted Coffee is a bargain. It is better than package coffee at higher prices.

SPECIAL DRIVES THIS WEEK!

- Five pounds of good Prunes for 25 cents.
- Three pounds of large Prunes for 25 cents.
- Five pounds of good Raisins for 25 cents.
- Four cans of Pumpkin for pies, 25 cents.
- Two cans of pie Peaches for 25 cents.
- Three cans of cold packed Tomatoes for 25 cents.
- Four cans of Early June Peas for 25 cents.

At KEITER'S.

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A BOY MANGLED.

Fell Under and Dragged by a Car at the Draper Colliery.

Lawrence Kleulen, a driver boy 14 years old residing at Gilberton, was badly mangled and narrowly escaped death by falling under a mine car in the Draper colliery yesterday afternoon. He was dragged a number of yards by the car. His right leg was broken in two places above the knee, the left leg above the knee, and the left arm below the shoulder. He also received severe contusions about the body. The miners' hospital officials say the boy's chances for recovery are fairly good.

Their Pastor's Return.

Rev. J. T. Swindells, who has been pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church in this town for the past year, will deliver his final sermon for the conference year to-morrow, and next week he will leave for the Philadelphia conference, which assembles at Mahanoy City. The local congregation anxious for his return to this charge, and the indications are that a formal request will be made to the conference to that end. During his pastorate here he has endeavored to build up the church and the community at large as well, and all would sincerely regret his departure from our midst. So far as we are able to judge he has ever been zealous in the spiritual care of his flock, and has taken a deep interest in all matters which tended to uplift the morals and welfare of the people. He is an able and eloquent pulpit orator, and it is to be hoped he will remain with us another year.

Sheriff's Sales.

Sheriff Toole this morning sold a number of properties, among them being the following: Palace theatre property in Girardville, to Nicholas Heblch, attorney, for \$6,000; hotel, stables, etc., and 44-acre farm, property of Daniel H. and William Neiswenter, in Union township, sold to E. W. Shoemaker, attorney, \$1,735; property of Thomas McEnany, in Ashland, to Attorney Berger, for \$100; property of Lewis T. Jones, in Delano township, to Attorney Shollenberger, for \$5; property of Savilla Henry, in Ryan township, to Attorney Mulhoff, for \$2,435; ten pieces of property sold as the property of Daniel H. Faust, in Rush township, to Attorney Pilgrim, for \$35.

No Quorum To-day.

Harrisburg, March 11.—There was no quorum present at the joint session of the Legislature to-day, the vote being as follows: Quay 6, Jenks 4, Dalzell 1, Irwin 1. There will be no quorum on Monday. Those absent will not return before Tuesday.

Deaths and Funerals.

The seven-year-old son of Thomas Devlin, of Cambria, was interred at New Philadelphia to-day.

The remains of Mrs. Mary Keilm, an aged and respected resident of Frackville, who died on Wednesday, were interred at that place to-day.

Augustus Smith died Thursday night at his home in Pottsville. He was in his 96th year and his death was due to pneumonia. Mr. Smith was a veteran of Company G, 96th Regiment, P. V., and served all through the Civil War.

New Carpets and Dress Goods.

It will be of great advantage to purchasers to secure their spring novelties at our store.

F. J. MORGAN.

License Money.

There are a number of liquor licenses yet to be heard by the court, among them being several from Shenandoah. The portion due the state from licenses to date is \$66,523.00. The amount due the towns named is as follows: Ashland, \$4,800; Butler Twp., \$1,080; Frackville, \$1,440; Gordon, \$480; Minersville, \$4,320; Schuylkill Haven, \$1,320; Tremont Borough, \$1,800; Tower City, \$1,320; Union Twp., \$660; Union Twp., North \$180; Union Twp., East, \$600.

House's, Chestnut & Cherry streets.

Fresh and smoked meats, butter and eggs. If

Three Years to Make a Murder.

While testifying against John Kennedy, before Justice Rowe, three years ago, for threats against the Poor Directors, Lewis Correll, of Shamokin, Warden of the Althouse, was stabbed in the abdomen by Kennedy, from the effects of the wound he died yesterday. Kennedy is now serving time for the crime.

Vanilla Ice Cream.

To-day and to-morrow. At Seider's bakery, 28 East Centre street.

Vote of Thanks.

The local lodge of True American Iroquois has passed a vote of thanks to all who assisted the members in the exercises attending the celebration of the lodge's 23rd anniversary on the 8th inst.

Special Excursion on to Washington via P. & R. C. & I. Co. Railroad, Tuesday, March 14.

Train leaves Shenandoah at 8:15 a. m. Round trip tickets, good to return until March 25th, only \$5.91.

Behrens.

The Schoppo minstrel will release in the club room to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. It is expected that all the performers will be present.

Our watch repairing is a one-way guarantee, and is accompanied by a always guarantee, Orkin's jewelry store.

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EMANON BANQUET.

Members of the Club and Lady Friends Enjoy the Event.

The fourth anniversary of the Emanon Club was celebrated in the parlors of the Ferguson House last evening with a sumptuous banquet served by Mine Host Hutchinson. The members of the club, and their lady friends, and a few invited guests partook

SECOND LIFT GANGWAY—7 FT. VEIN.

RESERVATION PILLAR
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PLANE

STUMP HEADING.

A B C

THIRD LIFT GANGWAY—7 FOOT VEIN.

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conclusions, but the HERALD has since learned that the reticence did not shield anything upon which the paper had not already informed the public. The cause of the explosion was the ignition of the gas by two workmen who went up into an old breast for a plank.

Stephen Silecki and John Jankett, two of the victims now in the miners' hospital, were working in breast No. 82, many yards west of the breast (No. 68) in which the gas was first ignited. These two men needed planks and they left their place of work to look for them. They walked east as far as breast No. 68. This breast was worked out three weeks ago. There was a battery at the foot of the breast and a roadway door in it. Silecki and Jankett opened this door, passed through it, and went up the breast in search of plank. It was while thus engaged that they ignited the gas, and were the worst burned of the men.

The details of the circumstances leading to the second explosion (about five minutes later, as some of the men say) are as follows: John Mills and Bernard Sloan were working in breast No. 78. Upon hearing the explosion they descended to the first lift gangway and started east to inquire the cause of the explosion, and the location. When they got to A (shown in diagram) they found a door had been blown away. The door had been stationed at the mouth of the tunnel (D). The two men were at this point when they observed two lights at a point some distance further east (C) and opposite breast 68. The two men were George Robenchock and John Klein, leaders who had descended to the gangway from their breasts to ascertain the cause of the explosion. Mills and Sloan hurried in that direction, and had traveled about 50 yards east from the tunnel when the second explosion, which injured Brennan, Mills, Sloan and the other six men, two of whom were the leaders referred to, occurred.

The cause of the second explosion may be considered speculative; but there is no doubt that the gas was displaced to a point on the gangway where some of the men were sitting when their naked lamps, being lit, would speak. As to how that gas traveled from breast No. 68 to the gangway no one can tell. The force of the concussion caused by the explosion of the gas was most pronounced towards the west than the east, from the fact that two sets of timber were displaced in that direction--west of breast No. 68. Little or no damage was done to the colliery by the explosion, with the exception that some of the breast batteries were blown out and the brattice in the tunnel, which runs from the 7-foot to the 8-foot vein, was more or less disturbed. The colliery was in full operation yesterday.

The air course in that section of the mine is west along the third lift gangway, into the tunnel (D) along the east side of the brattice, thence along the west side and out of the tunnel back to the gangway, thence west, thence in several directions and through the different breasts and headings back to breast 73, thence through a heading into

of it. The parlors were appropriately decorated for the event and on the eastern wall was displayed the emblem "Emanon," accompanied by the club colors--green, blue and yellow.

The evening's events opened with an address by the president, Mr. Saylor Longstaff, who related the history of the club and closed with a few remarks on its future. This was followed by a name of progressive "piggy." It was very interesting and occasioned a great deal of merriment. The first prize was won by Miss Sallie Price, of Lost Creek; while the booby prize was presented to Miss Adella Daddow, of town. The piano selections by Miss Nellie Price, of Lost Creek, were well rendered and received. Members of the club also contributed musical selections. Mr. Hutchinson was highly complimented on the banquet and the service.

The following guests were present: Messrs. Roy C. Rubright, Charles Neiswenter, Richard Rowe, Elwood Jacoby, Edward T. Johnson, John Kincaid, March Hasler and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Brumm, of town; Mr. Saylor Longstaff, William Price, William D. Jones, of Lost Creek; J. S. Beddall and W. J. Lewis, of Wm. Penn; William H. Underwood, Hazleton; Oliver Hawkins and William Kumbay, of Centralia; and Misses Edith Erdman, Adella May and Josephine Daddow, Annie Keithan, Laura Acker and Laura Robertson, of town; Nettie Keller, Centralia; Martha Jones, Sallie, Nellie and Jennie Price and Edith Brown, Lost Creek; Jennie Morrison, Brownsville; Lillie Heintz, Ashland; and Jean C. Glover, Wm. Penn.

There is difference between a bargain for a bait and a genuine bargain. We wish you to see the difference. We offer big bargains on account of removal to No. 16 South Main St.

3-4-1f E. B. BRUMM.

Low Rates to Washington via Pennsylvania Railroad.

Special excursion Thursday, March 16th. Train leaves Shenandoah at 8:15 a. m. Round trip rate only \$5.91. Tickets good to return until March 25.

Port's Auction Sale.

Port's Bros., the tailors, who are temporarily located in the Watson property, will have an auction sale on Saturday next, beginning at 3 o'clock, at their former stand, No. 24 North Main St. Many bargains are offered.

3-4-1f

Lowe's Candy.

Is sold on its merits. The name "Lowe's" is on each piece. It is sold in sealed packages as follows: Chocolate almonds, 1 lb., 15c; chocolate creams, 1 lb., 10c; assorted chocolates and bonbons, 1 lb., 30c; 1 lb., 60c.

3-4-1f HOOKS & BROWN.

Married.

Abram Mills of Wade, and Miss Sallie Fox, of New Castle, were married on Thursday evening at the residence of the bride's parents. Rev. H. V. Sharp, pastor of the Wade P. M. church, officiated.

Wanted, a Good Coat Maker.

At John Melchitz's, No. 122 South Main street.

3-7-9f

THE RISE IN WAGES!

Commercial Agencies Give Cheerful Reports for the Breed Winners.

GOOD BUSINESS IN THE FUTURE.

The General Advance in Earnings of Cotton is Ten Per Cent. Iron and Steel Ten, and Coal Miners About as Much.

New York, March 11.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: By far the best assurance of good business in the future is found in the general rise of wages. The general advance in earnings of cotton mill operatives, in most cases 10 per cent. of iron and steel workers generally 10 per cent. tinplate and sheet workers from 5 to 10 per cent. and of coal miners, in some large districts, about as much, has set a pace which most establishments will follow which have reduced wages in past years of depression. Those who fail to comprehend what such a change may mean have only to consider that a tenth increase in the wages of all labor would put into the markets a new buying demand in amount about three-quarters of the entire value of exports to all countries. The volume of business shows no signs of decrease, and for the first full week of March has been about 51.7 per cent. greater than in the same week of last year and 60.9 per cent. greater than in 1892.

Bradstreet's review says: Industrial and trade activity is still a pre-eminent feature of the general business situation. Price strength, too, is notable, especially in view of the mid-winter rise of February, except in the case of the leading cereals and wool. In manufacturing lines the situation is one of great activity. Additional advances in wages announced this week seem likely to swell the number of workers whose wages are reported advanced to close to 175,000. The iron and steel trade is still excited by reports of feverish demand, inadequate supplies and further advanced quotations.

Investigations Allowed Further Time.

Harrisburg, March 11.—Chairman John H. Fow, of the legislative committee to investigate the charges of alleged bribery in connection with the consideration of the McCarroll jury bill in the house, filed a preliminary report yesterday in the house. The report declares that "it will be impossible to conclude their labors by March 13, the time fixed by resolution. They therefore ask that the time be extended to March 27." On motion the time of filing the report was extended.

No Agreement Reached.

Pittsburg, March 11.—The scale committees of the coal operators and miners' organizations of the Pittsburg district held several meetings yesterday, but adjourned at 4 o'clock until today, without having accomplished anything. According to statements made by members of the committee no conclusion was arrived at beyond the fact that the miners issued their ultimatum, which is in accordance with the resolutions adopted at the last district convention. It was further stated that the only question that came up for consideration was machine mining. Both sides were firm in their stand.

Big reduction in prices.

See our show window for bargains on account of removal to No. 16 South Main St. E. B. BRUMM.

Advertised Letters.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed for at the local post office: E. F. Atterholt, F. O. Kennerly, Wm. P. Owsen, Hattie Bishop, George A. Mertin, Michael J. Miller, Peter Miller, John C. Delbaugh and Estelle Morton.

D. W. BRIDEA, P. M.

Try a Pound.

Of our 25c. chocolates for Sunday eating. You'll want another next Saturday.

3-4-1f HOOKS & BROWN.

The "Y" Program.

The following program will be given at a meeting of the "Y" this evening: Singing, "Y"; Scripture reading, Edna Loucks; solo, "Y"; Thomas, recitation, Dora Richards; reading, Clara Van der Meer; Law; notes of interest, E. T. Dank; critic to be appointed.

Our Spring Goods Are Here.

We have several counters in Coverts, Cheviots, Serges, Poplins, Henriettes and Black Crepons. We are proud of this selection and the prices at which we are able to dispose of them.

3-10-1f R. F. GILL.

Prompt Settlement.

SHENANDOAH, PA., MARCH 8, 1899.

This certifies that I have received this 5th day of March, settlement in full for losses sustained by the fire of February 25th, having been insured in several companies by Thomas Reddall, agent.

(Signed) JOHN POERTZ.

Not Turkey Run.

Peter Bachaus, the man who had his left hand and part of the forearm blown off yesterday by an explosion of dynamite caps and dynamite, set off by a spark that fell from his lamp, was injured at Kebley Run, and not Turkey Run colliery. The accident was reported at the miners' hospital as having occurred at the latter place.

Coco Argoline, the genuine article, for sale at Kirkin's drug store.

10-6-1f

Pensions Granted.

Pension certificates were issued yesterday to the following: John A. Giller, Pottsville, \$6 per month; M. S. Perke, Nantuxia, \$6.

Our watch repairing and our prices are unequalled. Orkin's jewelry store.

FREE LUNCHEONS TO-NIGHT.

BICKERT'S.
Sour kumt, pork and mashed potatoes will be served, free, to-night.

BEETS'S.
Sour kumt, pork and mashed potatoes, free to-night.

WEIK'S.
Specialties by the Lally children to-night. Music by Max Hirs.

GRAND BUCKLE HOUSE.

Sour kumt and pork will be served, free, to all patrons to-night.

MAX LEVIT'S.

Why Not?

Buy your spring hat now. None better than the stock we carry.

Our \$1.00 Stiff Hat Has No Equal.

MAX LEVIT

UP-TO-DATE HATTER.
CORNER MAIN AND CENTRE STREETS.

Neiswenter's LIVERY AND BOARDING STABLES.



Best equipped stables in this region. Conveyances of every description always at your service. Horses for all kinds of purposes with a fine selection to choose from. All safe and reliable.

NEISWENTER'S Livery and Exchange Stables.

Nice Furniture!

While not a joy forever, is a delight while it lasts. We are doing a larger business every day, for not only the goods but the prices are always right.

M. O'NEILL,
106 S. Main St.
Furniture Dealer and Undertaker

Spring Opening

WAIT FOR IT!

The grand display of spring and summer millinery at the Bon Ton millinery, 29 North Main street, on March 16th. It will be greater and grander than ever. A full carload with all the newest styles and latest designs in ready-to-wear effects. Sallies and walking hats from the best up-to-date manufacturers in New York, Boston and Philadelphia. We are the leaders in military dress from the importers. Our spring opening will contain the newest shades in Ribbons, Liberty Silks, Mirror Velvets, Pongees, Gazeos, Mouseline-de-Solre, Chiffons, Laces, Nettings and Vellings. Also the latest ornaments in hat trimming, Spangles, Buckles, Jets, Ball-Pins, Sticks, Pearl, gold, oxidized and Jeweled Novelties. Our flower stock will be a thing of beauty and a joy forever. You cannot help but admire the goods and rejoice over our low prices.

WE PRODUCE

To show at our spring opening the most exquisite line of novelties procurable from foreign markets. Imported hats as well as our own. Our 1,000 ready-to-wear hats to be exhibited for ladies, misses and children will be a thing to make you happy. Come yourself and do yourself justice at our opening on March 16th, 1899.

BON TON MILLINERY,

No. 29 North Main Street.
Souvenirs free to every lady.