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FLOOR OIL CLOTH.
The largest stock and best assortment of Floor Oil Cloth we have ever offered.

At KEITER'S.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS.

Neurology Reports of This and Other Towns of the County.

Samuel Millward, who died suddenly in the mines at Valley last Tuesday, was buried at Mahanoy City today. Gussie, the five-year-old daughter of George Wann, died from membranous croup Wednesday. The child suffered considerably before death ensued. She will be buried to-morrow at Frickville. Henrietta, wife of the late Charles Schinkel, died at her home in upper Wm. Penn at 8 o'clock last evening. Death was due to heart disease, after an illness of seven days. She was 68 years of age and was a member of the German Lutheran church of town. The following children survive: William and Daniel, of Lewisburg; Charles, David and Joseph, of Wm. Penn; Mrs. Joseph Edmundson, of Wm. Penn, and Mrs. Peter Becker, of Mt. Carmel. The funeral will take place on Sunday, at 11 a. m. Services in the German Lutheran church. Interment in the Odd Fellows cemetery.

Ebony silver mounted novelties. Big selection at astonishing low prices at BRUMM'S.

Enthusiastic Welcomes.
The anniversary service in the United Evangelical church last night attracted a congregation that crowded the edifice. Rev. E. M. Liebenwalder, of Gettysburg, occupying the pulpit. Upon the close of the service Rev. Liebenwalder, who was pastor of the congregation for several years, and his wife were extended a welcome of a most enthusiastic character. The members of the congregation crowded about the venerable couple and a cordial clasping of hands and exchanges of good will continued for some time. Rev. and Mrs. Liebenwalder will remain here as guests of friends until next Monday. Rev. I. J. Reitz, who occupied the pulpit on Wednesday evening, left for his home at Lillis today. Roy A. J. Brunner, of Pottsville, will occupy the pulpit at the anniversary service to be held this evening.

See the new line of Christmas rockers at The Hub. They arrived today.

The Scranton Case.
At the trial of Zolner, Gaughan, Dalton and Cummings in Scranton for the Mayfield burglary five steel wedges, a fuse, handkerchiefs, seven 45 calibre cartridges and a watch case filled with percussion caps, found on Cummings' person, were produced in evidence and C. E. L. Policeman Danzell, of this town, identified the percussion caps and fuse as articles used by professional burglars. A revolver, silver watch and lady's watch chain were identified as articles thrown away by the accused during their flight.

Have you seen the hand decorated and gold plate China cigar holders, jardiniere, ferneries, jewel cases, photo holders, vases, collar and cuff boxes, etc., at BRUMM'S.

A Bower of Beauty.
The Hub department store has been transformed into a bower of beauty for gift buyers for the holiday season. In the basement the shelves have been crowded with every desirable design in glassware, crockery, pictures, etc. On the first floor will be found a large and varied display of dry goods and other materials captivating to the feminine eye. Santa Claus' headquarters have been established on the second floor. The display of Christmas toys is especially large, and everything in the stock promises joy for the children.

Curtains and tapestry covers at Davison's.

A Driver Injured.
Daniel Sweeney, aged 16 years, employed as a driver at the Wm. Penn colliery, was badly injured in the mine yesterday and is now an inmate of the miners' hospital. He had a narrow escape from death. A mule kicked him and he fell in front of a moving car and, in saving himself from being crushed by the wheels one of his hands was badly injured. The car passed over it, causing a compound fracture of the index finger and severe laceration of two other fingers. He also received a compound fracture of the knee, which may cripple him for life, and lacerated wounds of the face.

Essels and screens in profusion at Davison's.

Officers Elected.
The Broome Hook and Ladder Company of town held a semi-annual election of officers last night that resulted as follows: President, John G. Jones; Vice President, John Cole; Secretary, M. G. Warr; Financial Secretary, Jonas Gilliland; Treasurer, C. A. Letzel; Delegate to the Firemen's Relief Association, M. G. Warr; Trustees, David Cole and Charles Houser; Chief Foreman, Joseph Hilton; First Assistant, Thomas Shapell. President Jones has been elected for three consecutive terms, which speaks well for his executive ability and popularity among the members.

Davison's stoves and ranges give the best satisfaction. Try them.

"Star of Bethlehem"
The entertainment to be given in the Primitive Methodist church, "The Star of Bethlehem," on the 18th inst., will no doubt prove to be the musical event of the season. The rehearsal indicates that it will be presented on an elaborate scale, and some of the best musical talent of the town will participate. It is a beautiful cantata, and those of our readers who lack to witness it will miss a treat. Tickets are now on sale.

All kinds of nut meats at M. L. Kemmerer & Co.'s. Walnuts, 20 cents; shellbarks, 30 cents. 12-18-99

Conway's Grand Opening.
Don't forget the grand opening at Conway's Novelty Store, No. 7 West Centre street, on Saturday morning, where everything is sold at half the price charged in other stores. A full line of tinware, agate and wooden ware is displayed, together with a varied line of Christmas goods.

We have received a nice assortment of confectionery. It is selling at greatly reduced prices. Boston Bakery. 11-23-99

The Camp's Anniversary.
Camp 295, P. O. S. of A., of town, at its last meeting appointed a committee to complete arrangements for celebrating the anniversary of its organization on Thursday evening, December 14th. It is expected to have Past State President J. J. Coburn, of Scranton, present to deliver an address. Several new members will be initiated into the Camp on the same evening.

Davison's heaters are the nicest in town.

Stamp Association Removes.
The headquarters of the Shenandoah Trading Stamp Association have been removed to No. 115 North Main street, at the Singer Sewing Machine office. Stamp collectors can call there and have their stamps exchanged for premiums desired.

A carload of rockers at Davison's.

THREE NEW ORDINANCES

Were Enacted by the Borough Council Last Night.

BEAR ON THE ELECTRIC RAILWAYS.

Each car shall be provided with a fender. A license certificate shall be displayed in each car and the license fee is raised.

A regular meeting of the Borough Council was held last night with the following members in attendance: Messrs. McGuire, Tracy, Cackley, Rehm, Hloemaker, Neisewander, James, Haver, Straughn, Bell, Murphy, Harkins and Hand.

The first communication read was from Borough Electrician Coughlin, in regard to the extension of the fire alarm system to Turkey Run. He said the distance from the nearest alarm box, No. 34, at the corner of Main and Poplar streets, to the Defender Fire Company's house and back to town would be 7,800 to 8,000 feet; an indicator would cost \$175 and an alarm box \$125. No action was taken.

Mrs. James Doyle sent in a complaint that her pavement, which she was compelled to place by the borough, had been raveled up by hogs running at large. She asked that the borough repair the pavement. The matter was referred to the Health Officer and the Chief Burgess.

The street committee recommended that the Phoenix Fire Company be given 30 square feet of the old paving stone to be used in front of its building as a place for washing its apparatus. It also recommended that the bill of William J. Britt for \$1,996.97 be paid. The Britt's bill of \$11.08, for the claim of \$49.54 and \$44.19 for leaders at the street intersections, a total of \$101.58, leaving a balance of \$1895.39. The Pearl alley sewer work was started on the 28th ult. The cost of the pipe will be \$137 and the total cost of the sewer \$390. The borough will get \$200 for connections between Cherry and Oak streets. The committee recommended that the Cherry Street Sewer Company be asked and compelled to pay at least \$90 towards the sewer for the work done on the same early in the season in abating a nuisance complained of by the Health Officer.

The committee recommended that the paving stone recommendation as to the Phoenix Fire Company was adopted. The recommendation as to Mr. Britt's bill was objected to on the ground that no final payment should be paid to Mr. Britt until the Surveyor submits a written report that the street paving work has been done according to contract and satisfactory. It was decided to have a special meeting next Wednesday night to consider the matter.

It was also decided that the Cherry Street Sewer Company be charged \$50, as recommended by the committee, and that the Health Officer be instructed to collect it.

Borough Surveyor Gregory submitted a report showing that there was 770 feet of paving, eight feet wide, on Main street done for the Schuylkill Traction Company. The total cost was \$1,259.39. The company is entitled to an advance of \$127.42 for the brick, leaving a balance of \$1,131.97 due. The secretary and solicitor were instructed to send a bill to the Traction Company for the amount.

The Supervisor was instructed to break large stones that have been placed on East Centre street and dig off the dump.

The Finance Committee reported having drawn \$5,000 worth of borough bonds for redemption.

Borough Treasurer Mullaly submitted the following report: Balance on hand last report, \$1,430.99; received from Collector Burke, \$3,080.00; from the State Treasurer for the Firemen's fund, \$222.52; from Water Superintendent, \$2,500; from Chief Burgess, \$50; total, \$9,041.00; disbursements—Orders paid, \$9,136.37; total, \$9,136.37. It was decided that the \$2,000 note falling due to-day be paid.

It was reported that two fire plugs at Turkey Run needed protection from the frost. The matter was referred to the fire apparatus committee.

The ordinance committee submitted three following ordinances: 1. That on and after January 1, 1900, an annual license of \$20 shall be paid to the borough for each and every electric car operated within the borough. All acts and ordinances, or parts of same, inconsistent herewith are repealed.

Appended to the ordinance was a note by the Borough Solicitor that he doubted that Council could raise the license fee, since there is no reversion in the original ordinance to permit it. Besides this the fee fixed might be held by the court to be prohibitory—enacted for a revenue, and not as a license fee. Mr. James moved that the ordinance be adopted as read. The motion was carried.

That on and after January 1, 1900, all electric or other cars within the borough shall carry in front of each car entering and leaving the town a fender, or other appliances, for the effective protection of the traveling public. For every violation of the ordinance the company so offending shall pay a fine of \$5.

This ordinance was adopted. On and after January 1, 1900, all electric railway companies now, or hereafter operating electric, or other cars within the borough shall carry in front of each car entering and leaving the town a fender, or other appliances, for the effective protection of the traveling public. For every violation of the ordinance the company so offending shall pay a fine of \$5.

Privilege was granted the Firemen's Association to hang its charter in the Council Chamber and an order for the tax allowance of \$225.52 due the Association was granted.

Borough Solicitor Burke said the existing ordinance relative to auctioneers and peddlers are ample, unless Council desired to increase the license fees and penalties. He also said no ordinance could be passed to prohibit farmers from selling their produce on the streets.

The question as to the safe condition of the Schuylkill Traction Company's bridges on the outskirts of town, along the Kohler dirt bank, was brought up, and on motion of Mr. Boshu it was decided to instruct Solicitor Burke to call the District Attorney's attention to the matter with a view to securing an indictment by the Grand Jury against the company.

The reports of the Chief Burgess, the Chief of Police and the Fire Marshal were laid over until the special meeting Wednesday evening. Council then adjourned.

THEATRICAL.

"A WISE WOMAN"

The attraction at Ferguson's theatre to-morrow night should pack the house. The press of the region strongly endorses it. The company played at Mahanoy City last night, and the Daily American says: "A Wise Woman" last night drew an immense audience at the Kaiser Grand Opera House and will do so again, they give a return date. No one left the hall without feeling that full value had been returned for their money. The play was full of interest from the first to the last curtain and sparkled throughout with the brilliant scintillations of the stars. Miss Marie Lamont came up to the high expectations of the audience, and reflected the greatest credit on the drilling she had received in the past under the critical eye of Augustin Daly. All the other members of the company were at home in their parts. The audience appreciated both the play and the players and lost no opportunity to indicate it. "A Wise Woman" is also a delightfully enjoyable one for an evening entertainment."

"THE IDEALS" NEXT WEEK.

"The Ideals" and Howson's 20th Century Band will be the attraction at Ferguson's theatre almost next week, no doubt a pleasing announcement to the many friends here of that popular company. Miss Beatrice Earle, who needs no introduction to theatre-goers, heads the company as heretofore, and will undoubtedly receive a warm reception on Monday night. The popular and versatile comedian, M. B. Stroeter, who has many admirers here, is also a member of the company. The customary parade and concert by Howson's 20th Century Band will take place on Monday, at 11:30 a. m.

Can't Catch Them.

From Ashland Telegram.
It's only natural that people go to their beds nowadays—or rather nights—with a uneasy, creepy sort of a feeling. Burglars! They seem to be everywhere, but like the proverbial flea, never just where you want them. Ashland has no police force, and that adds to our uneasiness. Perhaps if we did we might rest easier, but it is not saying that the burglars would not burgle just the same. Mr. Carmel, Shamokin, Shenandoah and other burglar infested towns give night police, but they also have burglars—and the police don't catch them.

Buy your Clothing at Harry Levitt's.

In the Theatrical Business James Wertz, of Round Lake, Minn., son of Mrs. Daniel Wertz, of Ringwood, has launched out in the theatrical business and is proprietor of a vaudeville show in which he appears with trained dogs and goats. He has accumulated considerable wealth since he made his debut before the footlights, and recently built a theatre at Round Lake at a cost of \$10,000. At the close of the present theatrical season he intends coming East with his wife and son on a visit to his mother.

Feast of Immaculate Conception.

Today is known in the church calendar as the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. It was observed in the several Catholic churches of town with appropriate services. This holy day is generally observed throughout the Roman Catholic world.

CHRISTMAS REMINDER.—See Orkin's stock of jewelry first. Next door to Mammoth Clothing House.

Big Mine Strike Threatened.

Shamokin, Pa., Dec. 8.—President John Fahney, of the local district of the United Mine Workers of America, has issued notice to the officials of sub-districts between here and Mt. Carmel to assemble tonight for the transaction of important business. It is believed the meeting is called to take action on orders of President Mitchell, of the national order of mine workers, to join in the Nanticoke strike unless in the interim the troubles between the Nanticoke miners and the Susquehanna Coal company are adjusted. This would mean a general strike in the anthracite and bituminous region if within the power of the mine workers to accomplish it, which would affect 8,000 miners.

Try our Hokey-Pokey Taffy, at 50c per pound. At M. L. Kemmerer & Co.'s.

After "Speak Easy" Proprietors.

Clay W. Evans, United States Deputy Revenue Collector, is over inspecting the business places of illicit liquor dealers throughout the county. He has just returned from an inspection of some 25 illicit liquor places, or "speak easies," in the county. Some of the violators of the Brooks Beverage law have paid the fine and liquor tax. Others will not pay up and will have to be prosecuted.

The best of all Pills are BERKELEY'S.

Petitions for Brennan.

Petitions are being circulated in the county, praying for the substitution of imprisonment for life in place of the death penalty imposed on Thomas Brennan, who murdered Harry Elliott at New Philadelphia. The appeal will be made before the Board of Pardons on the 20th inst. The date for Brennan's execution is January 18th.

Special For This Week Only.

Our 40-cent chocolates for 30 cents per pound. They are delicious. At M. L. Kemmerer & Co.'s. 12-4-99

New Proprietor.

Joseph Wallinger, formerly of Shenandoah, the well-known proprietor of the De Court Hotel, Pottsville, has leased the Pennsylvania Hall Hotel, at that place, and will assume charge on the 15th inst. His son, E. J. Wallinger, will continue on with the De Court Hotel.

A Poor Show.

The Pat Maloney's Visitors' performance at Ferguson's theatre last night was a disappointment. The specialties were poor and the afterpiece worse. The audience was a small one and received a "rust."

The Children of the Public Schools.

Are extended an invitation to call at The Hub and see the toy display for Christmas. Come after 4 o'clock. Monday until Wednesday.

TWO FATAL EXPLOSIONS

Powder Works Wrecked, Three Men Meet Death.

READING'S FATAL FACTORY FIRE.

Exploding Gasoline Starts a Conflagration Which Results in the Death of One Woman and Serious Injuries to Fifty-seven Others.

Pottstown, Pa., Dec. 8.—The powder works of James S. Miller, in Summit township, were completely wrecked by explosion yesterday and three men were killed and several others injured. The dead are: William Baer, aged 25 years, superintendent of the works; Allen Schneck, 46 years; John Schwager, 24 years; Frank Schaffer, aged 24 years, was probably fatally injured, and Raymond Faust was seriously burned and bruised.

There were two explosions, the first occurring in the glazing house. The other explosion followed within 30 seconds, and the entire five buildings which comprised the works were demolished. Baer and Schwager were in the glazing house when the explosion occurred and Schaffer was at work in the mixing house. Their bodies were horribly mangled. Schaffer and Faust and five other men were working in other parts of the works when the shock came, but all escaped serious injury except the two named.

The shock of the explosion was terrific and considerable damage was done to the houses of the workmen, which are located near the works. The cause of the explosion cannot be definitely ascertained.

Within the past dozen years there have been five explosions in these works, three of which resulted in fatalities.

BAER KNOWN HERE.

William H. Baer, one of the men killed, is well known in this town and vicinity. He was a son of the late William Baer, of Brandywine. The correct spelling of the victim's name is Baer.

READING'S FACTORY FIRE.

One Woman Dead and Many Others Seriously Injured.

Reading, Pa., Dec. 8.—One of the most appalling fires that has ever visited this city occurred yesterday when the extensive hosiery mill of Nolde & Horst company took fire from exploding gasoline, destroying the plant, causing the death of one person and injuring 57 other employees of the company. The dead woman is Miss Louise Clay, aged 48 years. All of the injured are women and girls. Eight have broken legs and several others received severe internal injuries. It is feared that some of the injured will die.

The hosiery building was a large four story structure, and nearly 600 persons were employed in it, most of them being women and girls. The fire was discovered about 11 o'clock, and in a few moments the girls were panic stricken. They made a dash for the fire escape and the stairs, but found that the latter means of escape could not carry all of them down at the same time. Several hundred of the girls then made a rush for the windows, and appealed to those in the street to save them. Ladders were brought into use, and many girls were taken from the burning building safely. Most of them, however, jumped and were seriously injured.

There is much criticism among the employees because of the fact that the screens in the windows, except those at the fire escapes, were securely nailed to the window sills. The girls had to break the screens before they could get out to leap to the ground. Some of the employees say that the doors were locked, as a rule, after the employees were in the building.

The loss is \$275,000.

STRAWBERRY AND VANILLA ICE CREAM, ORANGE WATER ICE.

Made daily at Schneider's bakery, 27 East Centre street. Pure and delicious. 12-1-99

A TIMELY HINT.

A Short Fervent of What May be of Benefit to You.

With the approach of the holiday season everybody is eagerly thinking of what to buy for his or her friend as a Christmas gift. It is not always the presents that are the costliest that are most appreciated. At Orkin's jewelry store, next door to the Mammoth Clothing House, which ranks among our foremost jewelry stores, you will find an assortment of Christmas gifts that will please the most fastidious. The feature of our stock is the large assortment and the quality of goods sold. Each and every article passes to the purchaser without misrepresentation and is always accompanied by a guarantee.

Our advice to you is to see us first, whether you buy or not. We can show you a stock of jewelry unsurpassed. Ladies' and gents' gold watches in profusion, silverware, ladies' bracelets, charms, pins of every description. Probably you are in search of a nice musical instrument or a gramophone. They would certainly prove appropriate Christmas gifts. Come in to see us, that is what we want you to do. We always seem to satisfy the public and give the best goods for the least money. 12-7-99

"Neglected colds make fat graveyards."

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup helps men and women to a happy, vigorous old age.

FREE LUNCHEONS TO-NIGHT.

BICKERT'S.
Oyster soup to-night. Filled beef and dressing to-morrow morning.

HEWITT'S.
Oyster soup, free, to-night. Special lunch to-morrow morning.

CHAR. RADZIEWICZ'S.
Clam soup will be served, free, to all patrons to-night.

WEEKS'
Oyster soup, free, to-night.

POOLER'S.
Oyster soup, free, to-night.

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Will buy heavy fleeced lined underwear in all colors. Shirts or drawers. 38c

Will buy a nice shirt or drawers in the best of camel's hair goods. \$1.00

MEDICATED RED FLANNELS. NATURAL WOOL. AUSTRALIAN WHITE WOOL.

Gent's half hose, all kinds, at lowest prices.

Our hats and neckwear are interesting for every buyer.

Remember we sell the genuine Stetson hat.

MAX LEVIT UP-TO-DATE HATTER.

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THE HUB

New Ones AT Low Prices.

Children's Coats, latest Gretchen double box plete in back, slashed revers, trimmed with four rows, pearl buttons, and white Hercules braid, corded collar, \$2.98.

Another—Fancy mixed goods, full size collar, trimmed with two rows silk soutache among fancy braid, two rows on cuffs and collar, \$1.98 only.

White Cashmere Coat embroidered puffed sleeves, circular collar, at \$1.49.

Fine Cashmere extra long puffed sleeves, full size cape, trimmed with fancy ribbon and braid, three pearl buttons, four tucks and fancy braid around skirt and lined, \$2.37.

Long Bedford cord cloak trimmed with silk braid on yoke and satin ribbon on collar, \$2.37.

Child's Reefers in fancy boucle, all colors, inlaid cloth, cream and black soutache to match, bound seams.

In ladies' and misses' we have a good line of Golls, Plush Capes, \$4.98, and better.

"The Hub."

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS! Carpet Sweepers, all prices. Rugs, all kinds. Foot Stools, all prices. New goods just received at

FRICKE'S CARPET STORE, 10 South Jardin Street.

NEW country dried cherries and apples.

CALIFORNIA Peaches, Eggs Plums, Green Gages, Apricots, Pears, IN CANS.

Lemon Peel and Citron.

Flavoring Extracts, Spices, TRY MAGARGLE'S OWN BRAND BAKING POWDER.

Magargle's,

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