

FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS!

Pianos, Organs, Sewing machines, Music cabinets, Ladies' desks, Morris chairs, China closets, Pictures, easels, Picture frames, Office chairs, Fancy mirrors, Book cases, Rocking horses, Doll carriages, Black boards, Children's chairs, Chiffoniers, Ladies' toilet tables, Fancy rockers, Piano stools, Foot rests, Children's couches.

TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION. COME AND SEE.

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

TOYS and GAMES. Morgan's Fancy Bazar, 23 N. Main St. SILVERWARE At Swalm's Hardware Store.

Wm. Rogers Teaspoons, \$1.00 doz. Tablespoons, \$2.00 doz. Knives, Forks, \$5.50 50. Soup Ladles, \$1.25 each. Berry Spoons, 75c each. Butter Knives, 35c each. Sugar Spoons, 35c each. Silver Tea Sets. Silver Ice Pitchers.

NO OLD STOCK. Offered to our patrons. The assortment of Holiday Shoes and Slippers is new, fresh and stylish and the quality is all that could be desired. Men's, Women's and Children's Fancy Slippers. E. Manning, CORNER OF MAIN AND OAK STREETS.

SPECIALTIES! CANNED GOODS! TOMATOES.—Choice cold packed, 3 cans for 25 cents. Extra quality and extra size can, 10 cts. Fancy quality, the largest cans and finest goods packed, 2 cans for 25 cents. Good tomatoes, medium size, 5 cans, 25c. CORN.—Choice Maryland corn, 4 cans for 25 cents. Fine N. Y. state sugar corn, 3 cans for 25 cents. The finest Maine corn, 2 cans for 25 cents. PEAS.—Fancy Early June and Sweet Wrinkled, 2 cans, 25c. Choice Marrows, 10 cents. Good Marrowfats, 3 cans for 25 cents. LIMA BEANS.—Extra quality, 3 cans for 25 cents. Fancy quality Maine, 2 cans for 25 cents. STRING BEANS.—Good quality, 4 cans for 25 cents. Choice white wax, 3 for 25 cents. Fancy stringless, 2 cans for 25 cts. PLUM PUDDING.—Two cans for 25 cents. SOUPS.—Concentrated—six kinds—good, cheap—convenient—10 cents a can. FLOOR OIL CLOTH. The largest stock and best assortment of Floor Oil Cloth we have ever offered. At KEITER'S.

TRUSTEES FEES. TRACTION TROUBLES!

Argument in the Shenandoah Feed and Lumber Company Case. Yesterday George J. Wadlinger, Esq., sat as auditor in his office in Potomac to pass upon the accounts of the Shenandoah Feed and Lumber Company. The account was filed some months ago and to this account the members of the firm, Messrs. Robinson, Olson and O'Hara, objected. The trustees charged for their services in the neighborhood of \$3,000. The exceptions charged for the charges were exorbitant. The trustees insisted that they were only reasonable compensation for the services rendered. Three separate hearings were held at which considerable testimony was taken, and the whole matter was argued before the auditor yesterday. Mr. Bell representing the firm and M. B. Burke, Esq., representing the trustees.

It will be recalled that the trust agreement originated in June 1898. At that time the firm had been dissolved and the members were unable to discontinue the difficulties that arose between them. They went into court and had trustees appointed, who took charge of the books of the firm, straightened out accounts and made collections for nearly a year. The amount of accounts turned over to the trustees was \$40,000. Of this amount they collected and advanced \$35,000. After the trustees filed their account the affairs of the feed and lumber company were turned over to T. M. Stone, who has since been acting as the firm's agent.

Just the thing for a Xmas present to the distant friends—a coal ink stand, tooth pick holder, sewing set or one of the many novelties made from coal at Brumm's. 12-18-17

Mr. J. M. Pagan, Esq., West street, agent for the Danville Fire Insurance Company, received a check from the Danville Fire Insurance Company for \$300.00 in full for Paulina, Pa. fire loss on slaughter house which was recently destroyed by fire. The Danville Fire Insurance Company always has paid its losses promptly and satisfactorily. This is another evidence that people will be dealt fairly with if they sustain a loss on their property when insured by the Danville company. 12-21-31

Charles Beaumont, of Jackson, had the little finger of his right hand cut off and the third finger of his left hand and body lacerated last Tuesday by an iron pipe falling upon him while he was at work in the Knickerbocker colliery. 12-21-31

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GEN. LORD ROBERTS

Defends Irish Soldiers From Charges of Disloyalty. HIS MESSAGE TO THE AMERICANS. 'I Feel Sure the Justice of Our Cause Merits Their Sympathy.' Feels That General Methuen is in a Dangerous Position.

London, Dec. 21.—General Lord Roberts, who is to have full command of the British troops in South Africa, accompanied by Lady Roberts and their two daughters, arrived in London yesterday having traveled from Dublin with Mr. Chamberlain. He is departing for the war office in consultation with the Marquis of Lansdowne, the secretary of state for war. Then General Roberts returned to the task of packing his effects and interviewing the officers selected for his staff.

When "Little Bob," the beloved of Tommy Atkins, received a press representative he was dressed in the deepest black, in vivid contrast with his snow white hair and mustache. His dapper little figure was as straight as ever, but the keen eyes that have so often scanned British victory were slightly dimmed by the great personal sorrow that has befallen him. But in spite of this and the multitude of details that claimed his attention, General Roberts willingly assented to send this parting message to the American people.

Circumstances naturally forbid my speaking about the campaign ahead of me, except to say that I have entire confidence in the British soldier, and that I believe the traditions of our army will be upheld in South Africa. For the friendly "graves" and sympathy exhibited by many Americans I am most deeply grateful. I feel sure the justice of our cause merits this. The only way we can win is by our own military administration, and sympathy which prevails in our colonies. The action of Canada will always be a glorious page in history.

The reports which indicate that disloyalty exists in the Irish regiments are absolutely untrue. In the hour of danger my countrymen have ever been among the first to lay down their lives for their country and their country, and whether it be against the Boer or men of any other nationality the Irish soldier will be found loyal to his queen and brave in battle.

The articles of the military situation is again becoming accentuated in the public mind, owing to the complete absence of news. Nothing has been heard from Lord Methuen since Sunday, and it is feared that his communications have been cut. If he is so, his position is dangerous.

A correspondent of the Daily News, telegraphing from Middelburg River last Saturday night, says that the Boer position, already formidable on Dec. 11, has since been greatly strengthened, extending for an area of 35 miles. It is entrenched by a line of the most modern methods.

The latest dispatches received seem to show that the British forces are standing on the defensive at all points. A number of news from General Buller tend to a surmise that he is trying to join General White by a flank movement.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER. ABSOLUTELY PURE. Makes the food more delicious and wholesome.

ROBBED AGED COUPLE. SPECIAL HAT BARGAINS!

Five Masked Men Seize \$100 in Cash From Them Fast to Chairs. Andrew Lockwood, aged 78 years, and his aged wife live in the only stone house in the thriving village of Holly, near Mr. Cramel. They are very contented and live within themselves, very seldom visiting the Lewis family, who occupy the other portion of the double house and are their only neighbors. The Lockwoods are regarded as honest and are supposed to have considerable money hoarded away.

Monday evening five strange masked men appeared at their home and snatched from Andrew Lockwood, when he was alone, and opened the door, they stood outside and demanded that he give up the "money" or his life. He threw up his hands and they hid him in a chair. At this moment his aged wife entered the room. She was second and third.

They then ransacked the house from cellar to attic and found \$100 and a way to a box under a lamp of photos. Hearing this and a few other articles they disappeared into the night leaving the aged couple weeping to the sight. With some difficulty Mr. Lockwood released himself and then set his wife free.

An attempt was also made to rob the Lockwoods store at Central, but the burglars were frightened away. It is likely these men were part of the gang which robbed the Lockwoods.

Why pay others \$3.00 a dozen for Holiday stockings and socks when you can buy them at Brown's for \$2.00? You save \$1.00. Max Levitt's.

Waldron's Horses are Here. And they are a fine lot. They are from the best of every kind suitable to what the market is in this vicinity demands. They will be sold on auction to-morrow afternoon.

A Boy's Counsel. Given away, free, with every pound of Grand Union Tea. As the Grand Union Tea Company's Store. 12-15-31

The Jr. O. U. A. M. Temple. Judge Wales, at Harrisburg, granted a temporary injunction yesterday on a petition of Derry Council No. 40, of Harrisburg, to restrain the State Council officers at Philadelphia from levying and collecting the tax on the tax of \$1.00 per year.

Keep Time With Christmas. Clocks in porcelain, silver, brass and gold. Good time-keepers and lowest of prices are Christmas inducements at Frick's jewelry store, next door to the Masonic clothing house. 12-15-31

See the Dolls, some are sleeping, others wide awake. Twins are here, Dressed Dolls, Kid Dolls, All Kinds of Dolls, 5c. up. Dressed Doll from 25c up. Tree Ornaments, gold and silver. Colored Berries & Fancy shapes. Lametta Bags, 1c each. Candles and Holders. Lamps for Christmas Yards. Harmonicas, 3c. up. Pianos, 25c, 48c, 74c, 98c. Metaphones, Drums, 15c, 30c, 50c, 98c. Wash Sets—table, wringer, wash-board, etc., 1.00 up. Books, finely colored illustrations, 1c. Blocks, 3c. 9c. Fifty Blocks in a box, 10c. Iron Toys, endless variety, 7c up. Engine and Cars, 10c to 98c. Mechanical Toys, latest novelty. Trunks, Wagons, Horses, Carriages, Go-Carts. Animals of all kinds 1c up. Games, a large assortment from 5c. to \$2.98. Swings, Beds, Cradles, Banks. Toilet Sets, Manicure Sets, Shaving Sets, Work Boxes, Cannon's Toilet Waters and Perfumery, Handkerchief Boxes. Silk Umbrellas—sterling silver tips on horn & ivory handles.

FRICKE'S CARPET STORE, 10 South Jardin Street. NEW country dried cherries and apples. CALIFORNIA Peaches, Eggs Plums, Green Gages, Apricots, Pears, CANS. Lemon Peel and Citron. Flavoring Extracts, Spices. TRY MAGARGLE'S OWN BRAND BAKING POWDER. Magargle's, 26 EAST CENTRE STREET