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\$1.50 PER YEAR.

J. C. BERNER'S ANNOUNCEMENT of HOLIDAY GOODS.

Toy Books, 5c, 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c to 75c.
Dolls, 5c to \$1.
Fancy Baskets, 10c to 25c.
China, the loveliest assortment
you ever saw—barrels full of it.
Perfumery, 5c to 50c.
Lamps, Cut Glass, etc.
Silverware, Rodgers' guaranteed
goods.
Tea Sets, decorated, \$3.75.
Dry Goods and Notions.
Baby's and Children's Shoes.
Hats, Caps, Boots and Coats.
Men's and Boys' Gloves and Mitts.
Furniture.
Carpets and Oil Cloths.
Beddings, Feather, Pillows, etc.
Fancy Rookers for Christmas Presents.
Wall Paper and Stationery.
Window Shades.
Stair Buttons.
Stair and Extension Brass Rods.
Boys' Suits, a few left, only 75c.
Knee Pants, 19c.
Overalls.
Men's and Boys' Shirts.
Towels and Glassware.
A Thousand and One Other Things.
Fresh Eggs, 25c a dozen.
Butter, 10 lb tubs, 25c a pound. It is
sweet and good property.
Cheese and Lard, only the best grades.
Flour, Feed, Hay, Straw, etc.

Have you seen the Silver-
ware we are giving away with
baking powder? It's guaran-
teed for ten years. Every-
body is talking about it. Step
Ladders and Clothes Horses
also given away free.

Our store is full of goods.
Customers crowd it all day
long. We are as busy as bees
making people happy. Little
money is needed when you
buy here.

Our Grocery and Provision
Department is moving all the
time. Can scarcely get the
goods out of the boxes and
bundles fast enough.

All goods delivered free.

YOURS TRULY,

J. C. BERNER.

Foster School Board Meeting.

The Foster township school board met
Saturday evening with all members
except Mr. Evans present. The secre-
tary reported having received \$3.88 over-
paid from the Cross Creek Coal Com-
pany. Superintendent Gabrio reported
an enrollment of 1,007 and the per cen-
tage of attendance 85. Treasurer Brior
reported having received \$89.63 from
Tax Collector Oberlander and \$3 for
tuition. President Boyle was ordered to
have necessary repairs made at the
Highland school.

It was decided to close the schools on
December 24 and reopen January 3. It
was agreed to pay the teachers two
weeks' salary before Christmas. The
treasurer stated that he would give out
the checks at 7 o'clock at Woodside
school house on the Wednesday evening
before Christmas.

The following bills were ordered paid:
Charles Sheppard, \$1; *School Journal*, \$5;
E. H. Butler, \$63.15; Bloomberg Furni-
ture Co., \$162.30; John Metzger, \$4; L.
V. R. R., 25c; Cox & Co., \$30.78;
H. Sheldon, \$28.20; John W. Davis, \$7;
Mrs. S. E. Hayes, \$152.50; Charles E.
Rickett, \$6; Wm. Birkbeck, \$15.70; John
McBrierty, \$25.

Director Zeistloft reported that he
had ordered a new stove placed in the
Tannery school.

A Camel Four-in-Hand.

Lieut. Ralph Pouson, of the Twen-
ty-eighth native infantry in India, has
devised a new method of employing the
camel by harnessing four of the animals
to a small coach in much the same way
as horses. Instead, however, of being
driven by a coachman seated on a box,
each of the animals carries the regula-
tion driver, who is seated in a saddle,
and who directs the beasts as if
they were going each on its own ac-
count. The practical outcome of this
experiment has been to demonstrate
the fact that this coach-and-four was
able to cover a distance of 20 miles in 20
minutes less time than the ordinary
four-in-hand horse coach did.

Rather Peculiar Baby.

An advertisement praising the virtues
of a new make of infant's feeding-bot-
tle, says: "When the baby is done
drinking it must be unscrewed and put
in a cold place under a tap. If the baby
does not thrive on fresh milk it should
be boiled."

Unshaken Still.

"A woman's faith in her intuitions
is wonderful, isn't it?"
"Yes, indeed! It'll remove mountains
of mere fact!"—Chicago Journal.

"Love Thine Enemy."

"How can you call a man a Christian
who loves himself as that fellow does?"
"Well, I've heard that he is his own
worst enemy."—Puck.

Watch the date on your paper.

BRIEF ITEMS OF NEWS.

PARAGRAPHS GATHERED FROM ALL
PARTS OF THE REGION.

Synopsis of Local and Miscellaneous Oc- currences That Can Be Read Quickly. What the Folks of This and Other Towns are Doing.

The frame work of Hugh Brislin's
house on Centre street is rapidly nearing
completion.

Rev. E. C. Murphy, of New York city,
occupied the pulpit in the English Baptist
church yesterday.

Oysters and fish always on hand at
the basement of the Central hotel.

The fromen have commenced to
arrange their exhibits in Yannes' opera
house. The big fair will open on Thurs-
day evening.

Washburn's Minstrels, under the man-
agement of the well-known circus man,
Leon W. Washburn, will appear here
tomorrow evening.

"Out of Sight," a musical comedy, was
played here on Thursday evening. The
piece pleased many, but did not give
general satisfaction.

Miller, of Chicago, won the six-days'
bicycle race, which ended in New York
Saturday night. He covered 2,093 miles.
Rice, of Wilkesbarre, was second, with
2,026 miles to his credit.

Do you want to sell furniture? Consult
Neil Ward, purchaser, Ward's gallery.

The bond of Walter B. Koons, clerk of
the courts-elect, in the sum of \$10,000,
was filed last week. The sureties are
Walter B. Koons and the American
Surety Company, of New York.

Council 348, Junior Order American
Mechanics, attended services at the Pres-
byterian church yesterday afternoon. A
special sermon for the occasion was
preached by Rev. J. W. Bischoff.

McAdoo doesn't intend any longer to
be wholly dependent upon the mines for
support. A building for a mill and
underwear factory is about to be erected.
Since McAdoo became a borough it has
advanced faster.

On account of the collieries at High-
land shutting down during the holidays,
persons desiring Highland coal must
order it on or before the 24th inst. No
coal will be hauled between December
25 and January 4.

A pretty line of fall dress goods can
be seen at Oswald's. Latest patterns
and lowest prices.

Mine Inspector Brennan, of the Sev-
enth district, comprising part of Schuyl-
kill county and Columbia, Northumber-
land and Dauphin counties, reports 46
fatal and 106 non-fatal accidents for the
year ending November, 1897.

A Taxpayers' Association has been
formed in Carbon county for the protec-
tion of citizens against the acts of dis-
honest or unscrupulous officials. The
association is organized on lines similar
to the one in Schuylkill county.

The Midvalley Coal Company, com-
posed of John R. Leisenring, Dr. G. S.
Wentz and M. S. Kemmerer, will build
the largest coal breaker in the world at
Wilburton, a town near Mt. Carmel.
The work will be commenced next
spring.

Quite a fight is being waged by appli-
cants for the position of superintendent
of the state hospital at Hazleton, made
vacant by the recent resignation of Dr.
H. M. Keller. Fifty-five applications for
the position have been received by the
trustees.

Call at the Central hotel basement for
the best oyster stew in town, 15c. Try
them. Ladies' parlor attached.

The postmaster general has decided
that "missing word" and "dropped let-
ter" contests are lotteries within the
meaning of the law, and has prohibited
the transmission through the mails of
papers containing advertisements con-
cerning them.

A deep cave-in occurred alongside the
track of the Lehigh Traction Company
at Harleigh on Thursday. No cars
were run over the dangerous spot, but
traffic was not delayed. Passengers
were transferred to cars on this side of
the hole until the cave was filled.

In congress last week there was intro-
duced a bill for the establishment of free
delivery in all presidential postoffices.
At present the law provides for the free
delivery of mail in such offices as have
total annual receipts to the amount of
\$10,000 or over, or in towns of 10,000 in-
habitants or over.

Prime oysters \$1.20 per hundred. Me-
diums 65c per hundred. Central hotel
basement. S. M. Buck, manager.

The TRUNCE acknowledges the re-
ceipt of a copy of the Philadelphia Re-
cord almanac for 1898. It is the first in
the field as usual and it contains more
general information than ever. The
Dingley tariff law is published complete
and compared with the rates of the Wil-
son and McKinley bills.

Bishop McPaul, of Trenton, rendered
his decision on Saturday in the matter
of uniting the two branches of the A. O.
H. All the disputed questions are set-
tled in a manner satisfactory to both
sides. Freeland has a division of each
branch and local members are pleased
at the result. The order has been di-
vided since May, 1884.

Is Leisenring Out of the Race?

This appeared in the Philadelphia
Times last week as a special dispatch
from Hazleton. Leisenring's friends in
this vicinity allege that it is the work of
a clique in Hazleton which is anxious to
get the ex-congressman out of the race
for governor. The dispatch says:

"The little gubernatorial boom spread
in Luzerne county over a year ago in
favor of ex-Congressman John Leisen-
ring has petered out. It is doubtful now
if he will be able to get one-half of the
delegation from his own county to the
next state convention. The ex-congres-
sman was very ambitious to cut a figure
in the coming state convention and de-
clined, at the advice of his friends, to be
a candidate for re-election and allow
that position to go to his opposing faction
in the county as a matter of concession.

"After the former congressman's candi-
dacy had dragged along for some time
in a half dead fashion, his friends got
together and started on a new tack. A
headquarters was established at Wilkes-
barre, from which point campaign litera-
ture was to be distributed to the papers
of the state. A literary bureau was also
to be established at Harrisburg. The
result was that both of these moves
turned out to be miserable failures.

Last week Mr. Leisenring went to
Washington to see Senator Quay and it
was reported here that his purpose was
to see if anything could be done in his
behalf. The failure of his campaign, it
is said, was due to the fact that it was
left in the hands of a lot of political
cobblers of this county and that they
made a botch of it from the very be-
ginning."

Presbyterian Church Reopened.

Yesterday the congregation of the
Presbyterian church held services in
their building on Front street. For
several weeks past the interior of the
edifice has been in the hands of painters
and decorators, and when the members
assembled to worship yesterday they
were more than pleased at the altera-
tions and improvements made to their
handsome church.

The interior has been almost entirely
remodeled, and it presents a cheerful
and inviting appearance. The colors
used principally by the decorators are
blue and gold, and the work has been
done in a creditable manner. Every
foot of floor space in the auditorium has
been covered with costly but serviceable
carpet. New and comfortable open
pews, arranged in a semi-circle, add to
the bright appearance. New seats have
also been placed in the gallery, giving
the church a seating incapacity of about
400.

Three beautiful memorial windows
have been placed in the church. They
are in memory of the late David Craw-
ford, Andrew Boyd and William A. Wen-
ner.

Rev. J. W. Bischoff, the pastor, and
the members of the congregation take a
pardonable pride in the building.

Drawn on the Jury.

The following citizens of this vicinity
have been drawn to serve as common
pleas jurymen on the dates following
their names:

January 10.—W. D. Kline, O. C. Mutch-
ler, Freeland; J. M. Morris, Hazle.

The above are part of the group from
which the jury to try Sheriff Martin and
his deputies will probably be drawn.

January 17.—Frank DePiero, S. W.
Reifenbaur, Freeland; Ziba Fairchild,
Foster.

January 24.—Matthew Murphy, Fos-
ter; B. Bittner, Hazle; John Hammerly,
Butler; James McHugh, Jeddo.

January 31.—(Quarter sessions), H.
W. Fackler, A. W. Washburn, Freeland;
John Sweeney, J. V. Oxider, Hazle;
Levi B. Wenner, Butler; George Wag-
ner, Foster.

Widow Constructs a Coffin.

The attention of Health Officer Conry,
of Shenandoah, was called to an unusual
case Friday evening. Entering the
house where Peter Subalancis died on
Tuesday, he found the man's widow at
work on several boards with saw and
hatchet. Asked what she was doing,
she said she was making a coffin for her
husband, and that she intended having
his body hauled to the place of burial on
a coal wagon. The woman explained
that she had no money with which to
give her husband a proper burial.
Threatened with arrest, she summoned
an undertaker, and had the body cared
for in the usual way.

Sandy Run Man Sent Up.

Stephen Barua, of Sandy Run, was
arrested last evening by Chief of Police
McLaughlin upon a warrant sworn out
before Squire Buckley by George Natris-
san, of Sandy Run, charging him with
assault and battery. Upon the hearing
of the case it developed that the prose-
cutor was struck on the head by a home-
made "billy," in the shape of a round
lump of lead tied up in an old stocking.
The prisoner admitted the assault and
said it was the first time he used the
weapon, as he had no time to fix a strap
to it. He was held to appear at court.

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PERSONALITIES.

I. A. Fry, who conducted the Cottage
hotel the past year, will retire from the
hotel business January 1 owing to ill
health. He will take up his residence
in Tamaqua.

Miss Gertrude Wise, of Jeddo, and
Miss Josephine Campbell, of Freeland,
are spending this week with Philadel-
phia friends.

P. M. Thorton, Esq., and wife, of
Wilkesbarre, were the guests of Miss
Rose Gillespie over Sunday.

Mrs. Frank McLaughlin, of Ridge
street, is very ill, and her recovery is
doubtful.

High Constable Molk is attending to
business in New York city today.

Mrs. J. T. Griffiths has been quite ill
since her removal to Lansford.

Frank DePiero and James Crawford
will do jury work this week.

Miss Bid Gaffney, of Philadelphia, is
visiting her parents.

Rev. F. A. Mack is visiting friends at
the county seat.

DRIFTON ITEMS.

Preparations are being made by Cox
Bros. & Co. to dispose of their general
stores at Drifton, Eckley, Oneida and
Derringer. The store here is the largest
owned by the firm, and few establish-
ments in the county do a larger business.
It is understood that it will be leased to
an individual whose name will not be
made public for the present. The em-
ployees are wondering if the same gentle
pressure will be continued upon them
to deal there in the future.

W. W. Pealer, of the general office,
who has been ill for some time, was re-
moved last week to the home of B. R.
Davis, Freeland, who is an old friend of
the Pealer family.

Death of John Smoulter.

John Smoulter, Sr., father of ex-
County Treasurer John Smoulter, of
Nanticoke, died of old age at the resi-
dence of the latter on Thursday. He
was aged 89 years, and is survived by
the following children: John Jr., and
Mrs. Schwab, Mrs. Sehler and Mrs.
Michael Schappert, of Wilkesbarre.
The deceased, with his wife, came from
Germany and settled at the county seat,
in 1847, remaining there until the early
eighties, when he went to live with his
son John at Nanticoke. Mr. Smoulter,
in his day, was one of Wilkesbarre's
thrifty citizens and amassed consider-
able property.

Innocent Man Released.

Judge Cyrus Gordon has revoked the
sentence in the case of John Boldovitch,
who was convicted at the July term of
the Schuylkill criminal court with at-
tempt to take the life of Mike Puscar.
McAdoo, who was beaten almost to
death. He was sentenced to a year's
imprisonment and had served about five
months when his innocence of the charge
was established and he was released.

The crime has been fastened on a
Mahanoy City man, who boasted of his
crime and gloated over the fact that
another man was suffering for it. The
man will be arrested at once.

Sinking a New Shaft.

The Lehigh Valley Coal Company
has commenced sinking a four compart-
ment shaft at Hazle mines. The work
is being done under contract by John H.
Thomas & Sons, of Wilkesbarre. The
present depth of the shaft is seventy
feet, and the proposed depth 700 feet.
At the completion of the shaft tunnels
will be driven, cutting all veins north
and south of the shaft. This will be
the largest and deepest shaft in the
region and will be of material advantage
in centralizing work.

Peculiar Theatrical Taste.

Some towns have peculiar theatrical
taste. Mahanoy City gave the Sardon
Company, which was the rankest seen
in Freeland in many a day, a rousing
reception, and the manager of the opera
house, in a letter to Tamaqua's man-
ager, says it was the best company that
ever played in Mahanoy. Miss Sardon
will play three nights at Tamaqua and
three at Lansford this week.

Pay Days on the North Side.

This will be a week of pay days
around Freeland. The dates on which
the cash for November's work will be
passed out are as follows:

Tuesday—Drifton and Eckley.

Thursday—D. S. & S. Railroad em-
ployees.

Saturday—Upper Lehigh, Jeddo, High-
land, Oakdale, Sandy Run, Hazle Brook
and Pond Creek.

Everybody Says So.

Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most won-
derful medical discovery of the age, pleas-
ant and refreshing to the taste, act gently
and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels,
clearing the entire system, dispel colds,
cure headache, fever, habitual constipation
and biliousness. Please buy and try a box
of C. C. C. today; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold
and guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

Old newspapers for sale.

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Girls Fight a Desperate Deer.

From the Hazleton Sentinel.
Oscar Smith, of near Mt Yeager,
Butler township, was in Hazleton today
with a load of produce and told the fol-
lowing story: "Louisa Hutton proved
her power as an athlete by bravely de-
fending herself and sisters against the
attack of a deer. She with her sister
Hannah went to the woods to gather
twigs for the decoration of the local
church. In the forest is an old empty
hut. The door is broken off and the
girls went into the place. In the hut was
a wounded deer, a buck, and the girls
undertook to pet it, when to their sur-
prise the animal suddenly lowered his
antlers and charged on them.

"Louisa is as tough as a piece of sole
leather and she grasped the buck by the
antlers and though the animal reared
and plunged about, the plucky girl held
fast. Hannah went to her sister's aid,
but both girls were almost exhausted
when old 'Sol' Gruber wandered by and
hearing screams went to their assistance.
He grabbed the deer's antlers and a rat-
tling dog fight followed.

"Sol' did not handle the buck as well
as the girls. He was knocked down,
trampled upon and gored in the face.
His shoulder was also badly injured.
The old chap finally staggered toward
the door, when the deer struck him
again and tossed him outside the hut.
The buck then made its escape. Louisa
told me she would have conquered the
animal if Gruber had not come to her
aid and I believe her, for she is a mighty
powerful lass."

Ministers' Monthly Meeting.

The monthly meeting of the Reformed
Pastoral Association, of Hazleton and
vicinity, will be held in St. John's Re-
formed church, Freeland, this afternoon
and evening. The ministers' session
will be held at 3.30 p. m. The session
for the congregation at 7.30 p. m. will
consist of devotional services by Rev. S.
E. Stofflet, and addresses by the follow-
ing:

"Reasons for the Immigration of Our
Forefathers," Rev. J. W. Buck.

"The Lay and Ministerial Preparation
and Organization of Our Church in
America," Rev. A. M. Masonheimer,
Ph. D.

"The Growth and Mission of Our
Church," Rev. S. E. Stofflet.

"Die Kennzeichen der Deutschen,"
Rev. C. H. Herbst.

Collection. Question Box.

All are kindly invited.

Scalded and Pinched It.

From the Weatherly Herald.

Everybody knows Dan Hayes, the old
baseball twirler, and foreman in the silk
mill. Well, we heard a very funny yarn
concerning Dan the other day which ran
as follows: On Thanksgiving Day one of
Dan's many friends presented him with a
rabbit. He took the cotton tail home in
great glee, thinking what a feast the
Hayes family would have on the morrow.
Dan had never cleaned a rabbit before,
but he thought that a very simple matter
and proceeded to do the act, to the best
of his knowledge. How well he succeed-
ed can be imagined from the answer to
the friend's query a day or two after-
wards as to how he enjoyed the rabbit.
"I scalded and plucked it," said Dan,
"and it was fine."

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollar Re-
ward for any case of Catarrh that can-
not be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props, Toledo,
Ohio.

We the undersigned have known F. J.
Cheney for the last fifteen years, and
believe him perfectly honorable in all
business transactions and financially
able to carry out any obligation made by
their firm.

West & Truax, Wholesale Druggists,
Toledo, O.

Walding, Kinnan & Marvin, Whole-
sale Druggists, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken inter-
nally, acting directly on the blood and
mucous surfaces of the system. Price,
75c per bottle. Sold by all druggists.
Testimonials free.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic, 10c or 25c.
If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

See Hart's Big Bargains.

Hart's great clothing sale began again
this morning. Notwithstanding the tremen-
dous buying of the past week the stock
is still an immense one and the
bargains are bigger than ever. All the
clothing, hats and gents' furnishings
must be sold, and the people who fail to
attend this sale lose one of the greatest
opportunities of their lives. Make no
mistake when you look for Hart. Re-
fowich's old stand.

A Sure Thing for You.

A transaction in which you cannot lose is
a sure thing. Biliousness, sick headache,
furunculosis, fever, chills and a thousand other
ills are caused by constipation and sluggish
liver. Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the wonder-
ful new liver stimulant and intestinal
tonic, are by all druggists guaranteed to cure
or money refunded. C. C. C. are a sure
thing. Try a box today; 10c, 25c, 50c.
Sample and booklet free. All druggists.

PLEASURE CALENDAR.

December 16-30.—Fair of the Citizens'
Home Company at Yannes' opera house.

December 28.—Banquet and social under
the auspices of Young Ladies of St.
Ann's Parish at Grand opera house.

Tickets, 35 cents.

December 31.—Ninth annual ball of the
Tigers Athletic Club at Yannes' opera
house. Admission, 50 cents.

BLIND MAN'S COURAGE.

How, Single-Handed, He Caught
a Mad Dog.

Remarkable Feat of Tom Johnson, of
Kentucky, Who Has Been Sight-
less for Many Years — A
Great Fox Killer.

A remarkable feat accomplished a
few days ago by Tom Johnson, who has
been blind in both eyes for 20 years, has
been the talk of Nicholasville, Ky., for
the past ten days. Johnson is a fox
hunter. He keeps a pack of the finest
hounds in the country. Mag, one of his
favorite dogs, went mad. Johnson's
wife and children and a neighbor, Jo
Harvey Brumfield, were out in the yard
when Mag came running through the
orchard foaming at the mouth and
snapping right and left. It was a genu-
ine case of hydrophobia.

The people in the yard frantically
rushed into the house, locked the doors,
and told Johnson of the condition of his
favorite dog. In the meantime Mag had
dashed by the house and started off in
the direction of a neighbor's. When
Johnson he arose, and despite the efforts
of his family and Mr. Brumfield, walked
into the yard. Directly Mag came back
and seemed to be in a more violent state
of madness than before. Those in the
house called to Johnson that the dog
was coming and piteously begged him
to return. The old blind man heeded
not the appeals of his family, but stood
like a statue listening to the snarling of
the dog. Mag spied him and came
straight to him.

"There she comes," yelled Brumfield,
from inside of the house. Still the old
man stood his ground. Within ten feet
of him Mag stopped, then slowly ap-
proached him, still snapping and snarling.
Right to the blind man's feet came
the dog, and as she was about to seize
his leg he reached down and, with an
instinct seemingly superhuman
grasped her about the neck in a vise-
like grip.

The dog struggled in vain to free her-
self, but Mr. Johnson started toward

the woodshed, dragging her. Brum-
field came and opened the door of the
shed and Johnson approached and
hurled the dog inside. Brumfield quick-
ly closed the door, and Mag was left to
her ravings till a shotgun was procured
and she was killed.