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YOU CAN'T GO ASTRAY

When you buy your holiday groceries from us. Not a "fake" article in the whole store. We have a very complete stock of groceries, provisions, dry goods, canned goods, etc., making an excellent assortment to select from for your holiday dinners. Let us serve you. We always give the best of satisfaction.

GEO. J. SHAMBORA.

Lentz Building, South Centre Street.

Useful Gifts Are Appreciated.

A Carving Set, a Half-Dozen Knives and Forks, Tea-Spoons or Table-Spoons will please the whole family. Pretty assortments of each at this store, besides many other equally useful articles for the home. From our very large

Stock of Fine Hardware

You can select something that will please your friends. A useful gift will be appreciated all the year round. We have ladies', gents' and children's skates from 40c up. We have the best makes of

Ranges, Stoves, Heaters, Furnaces, Etc.

PLUMBING, SPOUTING AND HEATING.

Wm. Williamson, Washington and Front Sts.

Holiday Points:

Coats.—Ladies' and Misses' Coats in latest styles. Plush Capes from \$5 to \$15. Our goods will fit you and our figures will please you. Dress Goods.—If you believe we assert too much when we claim to carry the finest line in town, come and see for yourself. Our stock of Crepons, Henriettas, Figure Poplins, etc., must be seen to be appreciated. Gloves.—Ladies', Misses' and Gents' Plain and Fur-top Kid Gloves. A very pretty line for you to choose from. Umbrellas.—We sell them from 49c up. Warranted Silk, \$1.75 to \$5.

Underwear.—Ladies and Gents, also Children. Supplied with Woolen or Cotton Suits. Good quality and at very reasonable prices. Celebrated "Union" Suits sold here. Blankets.—Muney Blankets, \$3 to \$10. Also Quilts, Comforts, Feathers, etc. Jewelry.—Very fine line of Ladies' Bracelets, Pins, Brooches, Rings, Studs, etc. Good quality. No fancy prices asked. Gents' Silk Mufflers and Handkerchiefs. Lace and Embroidery. Christmas Stories for the Children. Fancy Novelties.

DANIEL GILL,
Centre Street.

Near Trolley Car Terminus.

GILLESPIE & CURRY,

DEALERS IN

Choice and Fancy Groceries and Provisions,

CANNED GOODS,

WOOD, WILLOW AND TINWARE,

FLOUR, FEED, TOBACCO, ETC.

WE HAVE AT ALL TIMES A

Complete Stock of Heintz' Pickled Goods.

South Centre Street.

GILLESPIE & CURRY.

REAL BARGAINS

at the
Star & Shoe Store.

Our Large and Pretty Line of

Winter Footwear

Is complete.

We make a specialty of Ladies' Shoes. Here are some of our offers:

We will sell you Wm. Neely's Luzerne \$2 Ladies' Shoe for \$1.50 and we guarantee every pair of them.

We will sell you H. Leh & Co.'s Allentown Ladies' Fine \$2.25 Shoe for \$1.75 and will guarantee every pair. We carry Twenty-three Different Styles of Ladies' Shoes.

We will sell you Men's Fine Dress Shoes from 95c to \$3.25.

We have an extensive stock of Men's Box-Calf and Winter Russel Shoes. We have the Never-Rip School Shoes for Boys and Youths.

We have Mundell's Solar Tip Shoes for Children, Youths and Misses—best school shoe in the world.

We carry full lines of the Best Gum Boots, Felt Boots, Overshoes, Rubber Goods, etc., at very low prices.

Shoes were never sold before at as small a profit as we are selling them.

STAR - SHOE - STORE.

Nothing But Shoes.

Above the Postoffice,
Opposite Side of the Street.

Hugh Malloy, Prop.

If you are looking for a good, substantial

Christmas - Present,

one to please the most fastidious friend, call and look over my line of new

FURNITURE AND CARPETS.

The Finest Stock of

Fancy Rockers,
White and Gold Beds,
Couches,
Onyx Tables,
Parlor, Dining and
Bed-Room Suits,
Chiffoneers,
Down Quilts, Curtains,
Blankets, Etc.

Will be sold during the holidays lower than the lowest.

J. P. McDONALD.
Corner of CENTRE and SOUTH.

GROVER'S CITY DRUG STORE

is where

HOLIDAY PRESENTS

are abundant.

PRETTIEST NOVELTIES IN TOWN.

Our stock is too numerous to give a detailed description of it. However, we promise that we have just what you want in the line of fancy goods. Very complete stock of crepe and tissue papers, toilet goods and toilet supplies. Very handsome and useful.

Patent Medicines of Every Kind.

SKETCH OF A POPULAR CLUB.

One of the most popular of the many social and other organizations which thrive in Freeland is the Tigers Athletic Club. Organized on June 27, 1888, nine and one-half years ago, with the primary object of promoting athletics, principally base ball, in the town—but with the further object of advancing its members in all that might aid them in attaining the higher ideals of manhood, regardless of their walks in life—this club, by strict adherence to several principles which are tersely expressed in the following article taken from its constitution, has steadily risen in prominence and respect in the community. The object of the club reads as follows: "The object of establishing this club is to develop in our members a broader sense of their duty toward their God, their country, themselves and their fellowman, that the same may have a tendency to promote more friendly relations between all classes of people, and that by associating together we will disseminate a spirit of brotherly love, good fellowship and true manhood among our members, and advance their condition socially, morally and intellectually. As a means of attaining these objects the club shall establish and maintain rooms wherein the members may meet in general assembly and spend their leisure time with profit to themselves by the reading of good, sound, moral and instructive literature, by an interchange of views on matters pertaining to the welfare of all and in the enjoyment of games and sports."

The club has, perhaps, won most of its fame through the work of its members on the base ball diamond. It maintained a ball club during its younger days which was a success so far as ordinary base ball went, but with the passing away of the older players and the coming of the younger ones, the club was forced to discontinue its base ball team. Early in the spring of 1894 the late Eckley B. Cote agreed to give the club control of the Freeland ball park after receiving satisfactory assurances that the sport would be conducted in a broad and uplifting manner—without delay the ground was improved, fences, grand stands, etc., erected, new uniforms and equipment prepared for the players—the whole requiring the outlay of a sum amounting to \$500 for preparations alone.

This action of the Tigers gave an impetus to base ball in Freeland. State league clubs were the principal opponents during the seasons of 1894-95-96. The club played Eastern league team playing against them. Crowds came from miles around to witness these games, and Freeland soon acquired a reputation as a base ball centre and the home of "base" ball players which still clings to it. The Tigers continued to play a high grade of this sport until the public's appetite for the game had been satisfied. One of the most signal successes was the game played here under their management on September 22, 1895, between Wilkesbarre's Eastern league team and Hazleton's State league team—the third of a series for the championship of the county. This was witnessed by thousands of people, over 600 coming on special trains from the county seat alone.

While their principal out-door amusement, it was not at any time allowed to overshadow the more important object of the club's existence. In 1891 the members leased the quarters for the addition of another story. Here several of the members congregated nightly, surrounded by the leading daily papers and the best magazines, and few places were so pleasant and more conducive to young men's welfare can be found. Already the nucleus of a good library has been secured, and within a short while several volumes from the best authors will find a resting place in the rooms.

The club has occasionally held public entertainments, the most important in that line being a lecture on "The American Citizen" by Dr. D. J. Stafford, of Washington, D. C., which was preceded by a musical of extraordinary merit. On this occasion the entire clergy of the region became the guests of the club, and a very large audience was present, notwithstanding the high prices of admission made necessary by the sum paid this notable orator. The club comes before the public twice a year. A ball is held on New Year's Eve and a game on May 30. An unbroken series of successes mark its record, from the date of the first ball to the present time. The Tigers have met their first failure, having, upon every occasion, succeeded in accomplishing whatever the majority agreed to do. This can be attributed only to the intense loyalty of the members to the organization and to the energetic spirit that is awakened when action and united work become necessary.

New Year's Eve this year falling on Saturday, the annual ball—the tenth—will be held next Friday evening. The members expect this event to surpass all their previous successes, and preparations are being made accordingly. Their decorations, heretofore a feature, will have the aid this year of electrical effects. Practically the entire building has been leased, and the club will be changed on Friday and remain in possession until the following Tuesday. In the dance hall DePiero's complete orchestra of eight pieces will supply the music on Friday night, while St. Ann's Parish band will do likewise on Saturday and Monday evenings.

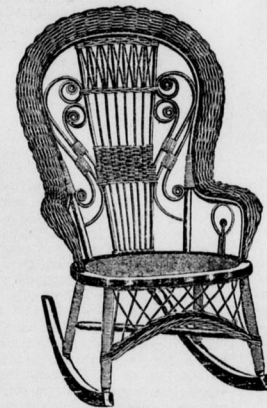
In numbers the club is not as strong as it might be if the members desired more names on its rolls. Owing to the membership being limited discretion is necessarily exercised in electing applicants. However, any male of good character, sixteen years old or over, can be proposed—race, religion, color or politics being no bar to membership.

The roll of active members is as follows:
Boyle, Bernard
Boyle, Hugh, Jr.
Boyle, John F.
Breslin, Hugh, Jr.
Brogan, John J.
Buckley, Daniel S.
Cannon, James J.
Dever, Patrick
Dever, Roger
Doggett, George
Ferry, James
Ferry, James B.
Gallagher, Charles
Gallagher, Charles J.
Gallagher, John M.
Gallagher, Peter D.
Gallagher, Peter G.
Gallagher, Thomas
Gallagher, William F.
Gallagher, William F., Bayonne City, N. J.
Harvey, James, Philadelphia.
Horton, James, South Bethlehem.
Houston, Peter, McAdoo.
McAfferly, Eugene, Manayunk, Phila.
McFadden, Bernard, Villanova.
McGarvey, John J., Gallitzin.
McGill, Michael J., Park City, Utah.
McGowan, Philip, Erie.
McKinley, James, New York City.
McTigue, Daniel J., Ottawa, Canada.
Mulligan, John C., Wilkesbarre.
O'Donnell, Maurice, Bayonne City, N. J.
O'Donnell, Patrick, Hazleton.
Quinn, James, Allegheny City.
Reed, James, Scranton.
Trimble, John, Elizabeth, N. J.

Have YOU Selected YOUR

CHRISTMAS GIFTS?

If not, don't forget that we have some good ones at bottom prices. This is a cut of



Our \$1.97 Reed Rocker.

A Sideboard makes a nice present. You can't put it in their stocking.

A Bed-Room Suite won't go in either, but it makes a nice gift all the same.

We have them and we want to sell them. Come and see all the other good things we have.

F. H. ALBERT, Centre Street.

REFOWICH,

Freeland's

New Merchant

Tailor,

Clothier and

Gents' Furnisher.

First-Class

Cutter Engaged.

Two Doors above the

Wear Well Shoe House.

Ladies' Hats Reduced.

Special reduction in Hats and Hat Trimmings until January 1 in Mrs. Mathers' Millinery Department. For the holidays this store contains a bewildering variety of

USEFUL AND FANCY GOODS.

Christmas Cards, - - 1c up.
Pretty 1899 Calendars, 15c up.

Thousands of neat and handsome articles, all very cheap when quality is considered. Everything is new, seasonable and of the very latest design. Ladies' goods of every description. Come and spend a pleasant hour or two viewing this stock.

MRS. MATHERS.

CENTRE STREET.

Standard Patterns Reduced.

John Shigo GLOBE BRAND

sells the

Cheapest Shirts in Town.

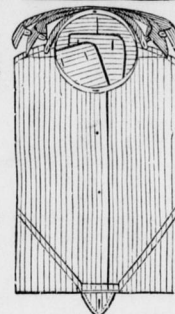
Sole agent for Globe Brand.

Laundered Shirts:

Regular Price,
50c, 75c and \$1.

Come and Learn My Price.

Very large line of Furnishings.
Hats from \$1 up.
Woolen and Kid Gloves.
Comforts, \$1 up.



Shoes for everybody at rock bottom prices. Never-Rips sold for \$1.25. Agent for Hay's Patent Warm Boot. The greatest idea of the century. Come and see them. Felts, \$1.65 up. Overs, Rubbers, Etc. Special line of Ladies' Shoes. When you want to save money buy at

John Shigo's, South Centre St.

Only Reliable Groceries

SOLD IN OUR STORE.

This old-established firm invites you to give them a trial when placing your orders for groceries, provisions, etc., for the holidays. Their reputation is a guarantee of the quality of their stock. Everything kept in a first-class store will be found here.

S. WENNER & SONS.

CORNER of Centre and Luzerne Streets.

LADIES' COATS AT \$2.

Owing to the lateness of the season Ladies' and Misses' Winter Coats, Capes and Cloaks have been largely Reduced in Price. Would like to close them out before the new year and will sell at lowest possible figures. I have some excellent bargains in this line.

HOLIDAY GOODS

Of the newest designs can be seen here in profusion. The usual low prices of the store continue to prevail this season. Large piles of pretty and handsome goods on every side. Let me quote you figures before you purchase.

Mrs. R. Thompson, Centre St.

Watch Your Pennies.

The frugal persons always watch the pennies, the dollars are being credited with taking care of themselves. At any rate they do at this store, where the purchasing power is greater than ever before. We have the goods. They are yours for the asking.

OUR STOCK OF STOVES AND RANGES

Easily leads all others in quantity, and where can the Apollo or the Wyoming Dock Ash be beat in quality? Our heaters give comfort to hundreds of families these cold wintry days. Buy yourself one of them for a Holiday Present and you will never regret it.

LET NO ONE PERSUADE YOU

That they sell cheaper than the Original Birkbeck Store. We lead in everything we carry. Come and examine our great establishment. Our Lamp Display alone is worth a visit from any part of the region.

William Birkbeck, Birkbeck Brick.