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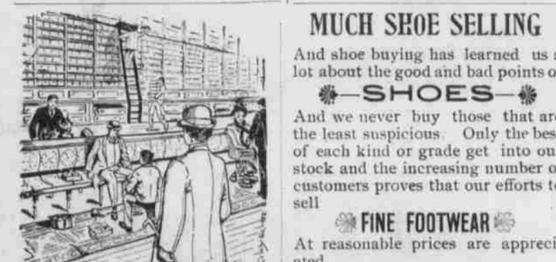
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**At KEITER'S.**

## HAUL BY ROBBERS.

They Believe a Grocer of Nearly Four Hundred Dollars.

The residence of David Grossman, a grocer at the corner of White and Lloyd streets, was visited by four masked robbers at about three o'clock yesterday morning, and they secured a bunch of money that will keep them on easy street for several weeks.

The robbers entered the building by means of a cellar way on Lloyd street, passed through the cellar and up a stairway leading to the store; here they forced open a door, entered the store, and two of them made their way to Grossman's bedroom. The robbers took \$200 from a bureau and a note they had in opening a drawer awoke Grossman. As the latter sat up in bed a masked man pushed him down and said "Keep quiet, or I'll shoot you." They were followed by a demand that Grossman tell where his money was. The grocer said the robbers had it, but they insisted that he had more. "What have you got under your pillow?" asked one, at the same time pulling Grossman's pants-loose from beneath the pillow. The robbers searched the evening's earnings and were well pleased, especially the vocal solo by Messrs. Powell and Dawson. All kinds of games were indulged in until after midnight, when the guests were invited to the dining room, where they found a well spread table bountifully supplied with all the delicacies of the season. Shortly after partaking of supper the guests departed for their homes, all being well pleased with the manner in which they were entertained. Those present were Misses Annie Kront, Martha Drumheller, Edna Miller, Susie Miller, stattie Everett, and Messrs. Van Zimmerman, Harry Brisch, Elmer Miller, of Harwood, and Misses Lizzie Hess, Maud Meyer, Daisy Price, Clara Hildenbrand and Messrs. John Powell, Thomas Snyder, John Davis, Elmer Dawson, William Williams, Samuel Meyer, Charles Hildenbrand, Joseph Houser, Wesley Beisel and William Myers, of town, the latter two gentlemen being in charge of the team, which conveyed the Shenandoah delegation to the scene of merriment.

No company has ever come to this town with more favorable comments than "A Wise Woman." They have the unanimous endorsement of the press, and this you may rest assured will be your only chance to see this superior company, as they make but few stops going from New York to San Francisco. We have no doubt of their success here.

**A Robber Felled.** Peter Dresher and a friend had an exciting experience last Friday night, while driving from town to their home in Ringtown. At a point between the Newwater and Schiller hotels a man suddenly stepped into the middle of the road and seized hold of the horse's bridle. The act caused the horse to plunge and the man was thrown to the ground, head, the animal's feet. The prostrate man fired two shots, which caused the horse to run away. Dresher and his friend remained in the carriage and succeeded in stopping the horse some distance from the scene of attack. The horse was examined and it was found that neither of the shots had injured it. Dresher did not return to learn whether the robber was injured by the carriage passing over him, or what became of him.

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

**An Independent Club.** Quite a number of the Lithuanian citizens of Wm. Penn have formed an independent political club for participation in local and general elections. The following officers have been elected: President, Anthony Witkowski; Secretary, Thomas Walsh; Treasurer, Charles Carnicki.

**The Mock Trial.** The members of sister camp are specially invited to witness the mock trial entertainment to be given by Camp 112, P. O. S. of A., in their hall in the Egan building next Tuesday evening. It will be a treat for the membership. FRANK SHIRLEY, Pres. Attest.—J. S. WILLIAMS, Sec'y.

**He Disregarded.** Saturday night Frederick Linkenhuff, a 15-year-old boy, stole thirteen dollars from the till in the grocery store of Barney Friedman, at the corner of Centre and Chestnut streets. Complaint was made to Constable T. Phillips, who arrested the boy in Ferguson's theatre and arrested him as he came out between the acts. Linkenhuff denied his identity and the theft, but gave up \$12 when taken to Justice Shoemaker's office. Friedman refused to prosecute because the parents of the boy are his customers. The law seems to have no terror for young Linkenhuff. He is under \$200 bail for a similar theft committed at a grocery store in the same neighborhood last week.

**Try our Hokey-Pokey Taffy,** at 20c per pound. At M. L. Kemmerer & Co.'s. 4-1st

**Frank Brennan For Tax Receiver.** At the earnest solicitation of my numerous friends I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Tax Receiver of the borough of Shenandoah. FRANK J. BRENNAN.

**Social Gathering.** Miss Gussie Seeds, daughter of W. H. Seeds, proprietor of the Hotel Ferguson, gave a musicale at the hotel last Saturday evening, in honor of her guest, Miss Queen Hughes, of Clearfield. Vocal and instrumental musical selections were followed by dancing and refreshments. Among the guests were Misses Nellie Dougherty, Jennie Goldin, Lottie Reese, Maggie Betty and Nellie Francy, Messrs. Harry Goldin, George Watson, John McDonald, James Dalton and W. J. Delaney, of town, James Duess, of Baltimore, Md., and George K. Robinson, of Trenton, N. J.

**Tax Collectors William Dornseil, of Gordon, Isaac Thompson, of Porter township, Louis E. Kesterman, of Mahanoy, and Frank Whamby, of Union township, made payments to-day on their 1899 county duplicates.**

**LOANS REDUCED.** The Controller and County Commissioners to-day approved the payment on Saturday of the \$20,000 four per cent. note held by the Pennsylvania National Bank of Pottsville, which makes a total of \$60,000 paid on the

## NEWS FROM POTTSVILLE.

The New Trial in the Wm. Penn Murder Case.

**LIST OF REASONS FILED TO-DAY!** They Are Formal in Character and May be Elaborate—Prison Officials Deny That One of the convicted Men is Insane—Other Court Proceedings.

Pottsville, Dec. 4.—The following reasons for a new trial were filed this morning in behalf of Andrew Koras and the six other men convicted on November 23, last, of murder in the first degree.

First.—The court erred in its charge to the jury.

Second.—The court erred in its answers to the defendant's points.

Third.—The court erred in its refusal to grant a new trial on the ground that the evidence was conflicting.

Fourth.—The court erred in not properly instructing the jury as to the effect of intoxication in reducing the grade of crime.

Fifth.—The court erred in giving undue prominence to the testimony of the Commonwealth.

Sixth.—The court erred in the admission of evidence offered by the Commonwealth, and on the rejection of evidence offered by the defense.

Seventh.—The verdict was not warranted by the evidence.

Eighth.—The verdict was against the law and the evidence.

Ninth.—The defense reserves the right to more specifically and at large set forth the reasons relied upon for a new trial when the charge of the court and the notes of the evidence taken at the trial have been reduced to writing.

The court directed that the exceptions be filed on Monday, December 14, at 10 a. m., for the argument.

The following decisions were handed down by Judge Bechtel this morning: Charter granted to Washington Camp No. 125, P. O. S. of A., of Girardville.

Divorce granted to Mary A. from B. C. Moore on grounds of desertion.

A new trial was refused in William Storch vs. William and Lizzie Lelish, an action to recover a \$200 loan which the defendants claimed they had paid.

Edward Fogarty appointed Constable of the second ward, Mahanoy City, in place of Joseph Kline, resigned.

\$175,000 worth of temporary loans, having a balance of \$115,000 outstanding.

**DEEDS RECORDED.** From T. J. Kelly to John Dalton, premises in Crosson; from Sheriff of Schuylkill county to George Sokolaky, premises in Shenandoah; from S. M. Feag, et al. to H. T. Brosser et al., premises in Tower City; from John Hornberger et al. to Catharine Hornberger, premises in Butler township; from Wm. Bachman et al. to Kate Freiler, premises in Frackville; from Adam Bendigo et al. to C. Tower et al., premises in Porter township; People's B. & L. Ass'n to George Williams, premises in Girardville; Preston C. & L. Co. to Bridget Curry, premises in Frackville, Butler township; James B. Mellais to James Hurlbert, premises in Shenandoah; Catherine Lucas to Vienna Stroecker, premises in Tower City; John Groody to Patrick Groody, of Girardville, premises in Tremont; Patrick Groody to James Groody, of Girardville, premises in Tremont; People's B. & L. Ass'n to Marshall Hughes and wife, in Girardville; Marshall Hughes and wife to George Katz, premises in Shenandoah; Samuel Kraus and others to Joseph K. Kehler, premises in Frackville.

**NOT INSANE.** The full officials announce that Anthony Stenwick, one of the men convicted of the Wm. Penn murder, is not insane. They say the reports concerning his case have been exaggerated, and that he simply suffered from extreme nervousness as an effect of his conviction.

**ORPHANS' COURT.** Judge Dunn disposed of the following cases in the Orphans' Court this morning: Elmer E. Brode appointed guardian of the four minor children of Louis K. Schwartz, late of Tanquaguan, deceased.

Mary A. Murdoch Estate, citation issued on the administrator to file an account, returnable January 3, 1900.

Richard Morgan, appointed guardian of Nettie J., the minor child of Joseph T. McGarrey, \$300 bond approved.

Elias Houtz Estate, return of sale confirmed nisi, to be made absolute in ten days if no exceptions are filed.

Lovinia Huser Estate, in partition, executor directed to sell the estate December 30, at 10 a. m., \$2,000 bond approved.

Magdalena Wolf Estate, decree of distribution filed.

George F. Long appointed guardian of Eugene A. Long, minor child of Mary Emily Long, late of Pottsville, deceased.

Thomas McHugh Estate, inquest in partition awarded.

Joseph Marberger Estate, sale of real estate ordered for payment of debts; \$1,000 bond approved.

Richard Phillips Estate, decree of distribution confirmed absolutely. Executor discharged.

William Forrer Estate, sale of real estate ordered for payment of debts; \$400 bond approved.

Mary Keitz Estate, in partition, Henry G. Jungkorth appointed trustee to sell the real estate.

Henry Blew Estate, in partition, rule on heirs granted, returnable January 2, 1900.

**RELEASED ON BAIL.** Joseph Barrow, charged with stabbing three men at Mahanoy City, was released on \$3,000 bail to-day by Judge Henning, the victims having been reported to be out of danger.

**At Bausser's.** Picked beef, lamb, pork and mutton, choice pig's feet, tongues and tripe, sausages. All kinds of fresh and smoked meats; eggs and butter. Cherry and Chestnut streets.

## BRITISH BLUNDER!

London Admits That Boer Strength Has Been Underrated.

**DEFENSE OF MAKEING AN ERROR**

The Appointment of a Successor to United States Consul Macraem at Pretoria Causes Satisfaction—British Troops Wrecked.

London, Dec. 4.—The week opens without a word of news such as the British public so anxiously awaiting. With a larger army in the field than the country ever before mobilized, it can only be said that the loss of 3,500 men, entailed before the enemy's borders have been crossed, is a serious matter, and while there is no feeling of despondency as to the final result of the war, it is regretfully admitted on all sides that the strength of the Boer resistance has been woefully underrated.

It is now seen that the attempt to hold a useless position at Mafeking was a serious tactical mistake, as was also the endeavor to keep the large civil population in Kimberley.

Perhaps the brightest spot for English readers is the announcement that President McKinley has designated the son of Secretary Hay to succeed Mr. Macraem in Pretoria. The Daily Telegraph says:

"This appointment is a graceful concession on the part of the United States government to British feeling. Our countrymen's interests will be safe in the hands of the new consul."

The censorship does not yet permit details of the Modder river battle to be transmitted. Some vague statements have been published in the Cape Town papers and according to those the Boers numbered 8,000 men and were entrenched on both banks of the stream, although mostly on the northern bank. The British, according to those accounts, drove the enemy across the river, compelling them to retreat, and established themselves on both banks. These details, however are too meager to enable an accurate idea of the engagement to be formed.

Serious news comes from the northern district of Cape Colony, where the whole border district between Colesburg and Burgersdorp has declared for the Boers. In Ventersdorp alone more than 2,000 have joined the rebellion. The farmers have formed a commanding committee and talk confidently of a trial march on the Cape Town General Buller's proclamation has been torn down and trampled upon and the loyalists are bidden to hurry to Cape Town to prepare coffee for the rebels.

The official list shows a modification has been made in the command of the Sixth division. Instead of Lieutenant General Sir Charles Mansfield Clarke the commander will be Major General Thomas Kelly-Kenny, Inspector general of auxiliary forces and recruiting, with Major General Knox and Major General Clements as brigade commanders. General Kelly-Kenny has had no South African experience.

With regard to Natal it is quite doubtful whether the bridge over the Tagela at Colenso has been destroyed. There is a report that the British drove the Boers off while attempting to destroy it, but the probability is that the structure was misadvised fired at.

According to a dispatch from Pitters Kraal, dated Tuesday, Nov. 28, the Boers were then attempting turning movements from Steynsburg and the district north of Stormloot in co-operation with the rebels, by way of Marlsburg and Tarkastad, against General Gatacre's column.

By the wreck of the troopship Ismore, which went ashore on the rocks of St. Helena bay, 350 horses are probably lost. The troops were safely landed.

A dispatch has reached London announcing that Lord Methuen is again in the field, and it is also said that Count Gleichen who was wounded in the fighting at Modder river, was struck by a bullet in the neck.

**STRAWBERRY AND VANILLA ICE CREAM, ORANGE WATER ICE.** Made daily at Scheider's bakery, 27 East Centre street. Pure and delicious. 12-1-14.

**Insurance Company Wins.** The jury in the case of Ellen Sneek vs. the Prudential Insurance Company, by direction of the court awarded a verdict in favor of the defendant company. This action was based upon an insurance claim, and to recover money paid the company on a policy.

**To Cure Latigrippe in Two Days.** Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 23c.

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## THE HUB

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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.

Baby's Coats. White Cashmere fancy cape, embroidered cape, at 98c.

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 Golfs, Plush Capes, \$4.98, and better.

## "The Hub."

NEW CARPETS Linoleums, Oil Cloths and window shades. Best assortment in town. Remnants of Carpets and Oil Cloths cheap. FRICKE'S CARPET STORE, 10 South Jardin Street.

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