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November

brings its rainy days, and its just as well that you be provided with Mackintosh and Umbrella at once so as to have it when it's needed.

Children's School Umbrellas,

24-inch frame, 7-ribbed, natural wood handle—**49c, 69c.**

Ladies' or Gents' Umbrella,

Paragon frame, 26 or 28-inch, 10-ribbed, steel rod, Congo handle, gloria covered—**98c.**

Gents' Good, Serviceable Umbrella at \$1.39.

This is 28-inch frame, steel rod, hollow ribs, covering of good gloria, handle plain Congo crook. Same Umbrella with silver mounting on handle, **\$1.98.**

Ladies' and Gents' All Silk Umbrellas,

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Ladies' Mackintoshes,

the kind that turn the rain good, yet not too expensive. We have them with plaid linings at **\$2.98, \$4.50, \$5.50.** Silk lined **\$8.50 to \$12.**

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A BEAUTIFUL DISPLAY

of Oriental Embroidered and Hand Woven Fabrics from Constantinople, Damascus, Aleppo and Baghdad will be given of our store by Aziz E. Atiyeh during the next few days.

GEO. R. TAYLOR COMPANY.

A \$5,000 FIRE

In the Heart of the Business District Last Evening

THAT LOOKED VERY DANGEROUS

For Half an Hour or More—Originated in the White Front's Engine and Dynamo Room—The Loss is Largely on Account of the Water That Was Poured On in Large Quantities by Chief Cline's Men.

Last evening at 5:20 o'clock an alarm turned in at box 25, Fourteenth and Market streets, called out the entire fire department to a nasty fire in the heart of the business district, which looked quite dangerous for half an hour or longer. Happily, however, the department did its usual fast work, and the fire was confined to two buildings, with a total loss of not more than \$5,100, of which all but \$400 is covered by insurance. Most of the loss was caused by the copious streams of water which the fire ladders were compelled to pour into the buildings.

The blaze started in the engine and dynamo room, located in the one-story frame addition to the two-story brick building at the corner of Market street and City Bank alley, occupied by the retail salesrooms of the Wheeling bakery. The addition is occupied for the purpose stated by Thomas Halpin, owner of the White Front saloon, whose electric light plant lights the restaurant of Henry Otto as well.

The origin is supposed to have been the crossing of electric lighting wires. Persons in offices on the second floor of the City Bank building first discovered the blaze, and soon the alarm had been turned in. The fire spread with remarkable rapidity, and seemed at its worst under the tin roof. Soon the blaze was enveloping the entire building and stretching across the alley and lapping the sides of the brick building occupied by W. L. Tannev.

The chemical was first on the scene, and the boys did excellent work until the steamers began arriving, when, after a slight delay, several powerful streams of water were put into action. The firemen at the start fought the blaze from the alley, and apparently had it under control, when a warning yell arose from the people watching the fire from the windows of the bank building, caused by the sudden bursting out of a tongue of fire from the light shaft of the two-story frame building to the east, occupied by Henry Otto as a kitchen and living rooms.

With all dispatch a pair of ladders were set up against the building where the fire had started, and half a minute later two lines of hose were being operated from the tin roof on the blazing building adjoining. The water was introduced through the burning light shaft, but it didn't seem to reach the right spot, and Chief Cline ordered his men to cut holes in the roof, through which such a volume of water was soon pouring that the fire was drowned out in a few minutes.

But while this point of danger was being attended to the fire again broke out with renewed vigor in the building where it had started, and in order to get at it better holes were cut in the roof on which the firemen were working. This method was not found successful, and finally it was found necessary to get at the blaze from below.

The building occupied by W. L. Tannev caught fire at the edge of the roof, but it was little more than a spark and was put out without difficulty. In the City Bank building Mr. Walter Keitzhart moved a desk and some furniture from his office on the second floor at the rear, fearing that the fire would communicate to the big office building, but fortunately the wind was carrying in another direction. Tenants in the Dollar Savings Bank building were rather nervous for a few minutes, but it was soon evident that Chief Cline had the situation well in hand, and nobody moved out. A stream of water crashed through the skylight of Will C. Brown's photograph gallery, in the Dollar Savings Bank building, and did slight damage. In the Wheeling bakery's retail salesrooms there was considerable water in evidence, but the loss was only slight.

The rear portion of the building in which the fire originated was occupied by the F. W. Baumer Company as a warehouse. Here were stored a number of new organs and many second-hand organs and pianos. Members of the company were unable to state what their loss would be, as they have not yet taken a look at the damaged goods. Fire did not reach them, but it is feared the water did. The Baumer company's loss may be \$100 or it may be \$1,000 or more; what it actually is can be learned to-day, probably.

The scene in the Otto restaurant during and after the fire was one of desolation. The upper floor of the addition at the rear was largely destroyed by fire, and on the lower floor the kitchen suffered from the water, as did the ladies' dining room at the rear.

The losses are estimated as follows:
Thomas Halpin, on gas engine, dynamo, fixtures, etc. \$1,500
Henry Otto, on restaurant 1,500
F. W. Baumer Co., on pianos and organs in warehouse (estimated) ... 1,000
Trusche Estate, buildings, (estimated) 1,000

Total estimated loss \$5,100

The losses are fully covered by insurance, with the exception of Mr. Otto's, and his will be if his estimate of loss is too large. Mr. Halpin's insurance was carried in the Rogers agency, and Mr. Otto's policy, for \$1,100, was in the Peabody, of Wheeling, which only a few days ago reinsured its business in the Phoenix, of London, and, of course, the latter company bears the loss.

City Taxes.

Discount will be allowed on city taxes up to and including Saturday, November 4. J. K. HALL, City Collector.

Steamship Tickets.

J. G. Tomlinson, agent Pennsylvania lines, No. 5 Eleventh street, is agent for the North German Lloyd, Cunard, American, French, Anchor, Red Star and White Star lines. See him for lowest rates.

BRIEF MENTIONINGS.

Events in and About the City Given in a Nutshell.

Grand to-night—Aubrey Dramatic Company.

County commissioners meet this morning in monthly auditing session.

City Collector Hall has extended the discount period until and including next Saturday, November 4.

The county commissioners' committee on poor house and farm met yesterday at the infirmary and transacted routine business.

Quite suddenly, yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock, occurred the death of John, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Lewis, of Maryland street, Island. Spasms was the cause of the demise.

A man named Henry Hoover, who was hurt while working about an oil well near Sistersville, was brought to the city on the late Ohio River train last night and removed to the City hospital in the ambulance. It is thought that he has sustained internal injuries, and his recovery is doubtful.

Last night at 10 o'clock crossed electric light wires set fire to the wood work in the upper display window at Grubb's jewelry store, on Market street. A still alarm was sent in and the Eleventh street chemical responded. Before its arrival, however, the wires had been pulled down, thus extinguishing the blaze.

A RECORD BREAKER.

\$70,000 Collected in City Taxes on Monday and Tuesday.

All records have been broken this week in the collection of taxes at the city collector's office. City Collector Hall furnished the following comparative statement of the collections on the last two days within the discount period of this year and of 1898:

	1898.	1899.	Increase.
October 20.....	\$18,000	\$20,500	\$2,500
October 31.....	50,600	49,000	16,000
Total	\$68,600	\$70,000	\$2,000

An increase of \$24,000 in the last two days of the discount period over last year is indeed a remarkable showing, and certainly shows that the people in general are sharing in the prosperity wave that is now so evident that even the Democrats and demagogues dare not deny it.

Collector Hall announces that he has decided to extend the discount period until and including next Saturday, November 4. He does this on account of yesterday's bad weather, which doubtless kept many persons from settling their tax bills.

An Atlanta Enterprise of Great Merit.

It affords us pleasure to call special attention to the advertisement of the "Mother's Friend," appearing in this issue.

The Bradfield Regulator Co., of Atlanta, Ga., have at great expense issued a most attractive and meritorious book, which they mail free, containing information of the greatest value and importance to all ladies expecting to become mothers.

That the "Mother's Friend" is a remedy wonderful in its effects, and relieves the expectant mother of incredible suffering and robs the final hour of confinement of its dread, pain and terror, is fully attested by the experience of happy mothers all over this continent.

A perusal of the book will convince any lady, and the use of "Mother's Friend" cause her to become its enthusiastic friend, blessing the hour when first she heard of it, and was induced to use it.

Send your name and address to The Bradfield Regulator Co., Atlanta, Ga., and receive in return, free, this excellent book, "To Expectant Mothers," containing information of value to all ladies.

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"Dead Swell Top Coats."

Just take a look at ours. You can't help but notice how different they are from those most stores show. Ours have that NATTY, SMART, BUILT-FOR-YOU-ALONE APPEARANCE. If you purchase a TOP COAT, OVER-COAT OR SUIT here it MUST BE RIGHT. If it isn't we make it so. In other words, we assume all risks; we rely upon the merits of our goods, marked at lowest prices possible to place on clothing of such excellence.

Critical and skeptical customers are our staunchest friends. Nothing can help more than have a man carefully look at the linings, closely examine the fullness and rigidly inspect the workmanship and minutely observe the fit. For such men we know that nowhere else will their money buy the same clothes. Notable line of

Suits and Overcoats from 8 to 25 Dollars.

KRAUS BROS.,

WHEELING'S FOREMOST CLOTHIERS,

Strictly One Price.

1319 Market Street.

A SERIOUS OFFENSE.

Bellaire Man Arrested for Sending Obscene Letters to Wheeling Girl.

Yesterday at Steubenville, says a dispatch to the Intelligencer, Henry Herbert, of Bellaire, was brought before United States Commissioner R. G. Richards by United States Marshal W. T. Barnes, of Marietta, for violation of the postal laws, and was held in default of five hundred dollars bond for a hearing at Steubenville on November 10 at 8 a. m.

His offense consists in sending letters containing obscene language on February 4, 10, 20 and 24 to Miss Annie Fritch, of No. 133 North Huron street, Wheeling Island.

THE RAILROADS.

East-bound shipments of flour, grain and provisions last week—127,715 tons—were just 710 tons greater than those of the week immediately previous. They were divided as follows: Grain, 101,824 tons; provisions, 17,854 tons, and flour, 8,237 tons. In the corresponding week last year the shipments figured up 78,738 tons, being divided as follows: Grain, 50,971 tons; provisions, 17,379 tons, and flour, 10,388 tons. Last week the Lake Shore did the banner individual business, hauling 26,305 tons, or 15.9 per cent of the total shipment. The Fort Wayne came second, with 10,125 tons, or 15 per cent, to its credit. The other roads made these showings: Big Four, 13,394 tons, or 10.5 per cent; Baltimore & Ohio, 13,303 tons, or 10.4 per cent; Nickel Plate, 13,283 tons, or 10.4 per cent; Michigan Central, 12,387 tons, or 9.7 per cent; Erie, 10,427 tons, or 8.2 per cent; Pan-Handle, 9,227 tons, or 7.2 per cent, and the Wabash, 8,635 tons, or 6.8 per cent.

FAMILY WASHING.

Rough Dry Washed, Starched and Dried 5 cents per pound.
Flat Work, Washed and Ironed, 5 cents per pound.
All hand work finished 10 cents per pound. At LUTZ BROS'.
Home Steam Laundry.

THE PRINCE OF WALES'

Signature to a Commission Received by Joseph Hall, of Wheeling.

Mr. Joseph Hall, of this city, who, as is well known, stands very high in the Masonic fraternity, yesterday received a certificate from the grand lodge of England, A. F. & A. M., commissioning him as England's representative to the grand lodge of West Virginia, A. F. & A. M.

The certificate is beautifully engrossed on parchment, and unusual interest is given it by the fact that it is signed by the Prince of Wales, who is the grand master of the English grand lodge. The prince signs the certificate in this manner: "Albert Edward." The certificate is a beautiful piece of work, twenty-three by twenty-seven inches in size.

Mr. Hall prizes the certificate very highly.

DIED.

LEWIS—At the family residence, No. 97 Maryland street, on Tuesday, October 31, 1899, at 1 o'clock p. m., JOHN W., youngest child of W. J. and Annie L. Lewis, in his 3d year.

Funeral notice hereafter.

Undertaking.

Louis Bertschy,
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and ARTERIAL EMBALMER.
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and you won't need to wait for pay day. If you have laid up a little nest-egg for a "rainy day" don't break into it because the house needs some new furnishings. Sickness may knock at your door, and you'll be very glad to have a little ready money at hand. There is no reason why you should break into your savings when you can come here and buy on credit at the lowest prices quoted anywhere. For the same reason you have no reason to wait for pay days. Your credit is just as good here on the 13th as it is on the 1st and 15th. We tell you to select all you need—then pay what you can spare—a little each week or each month—terms that shall be convenient to you. Your promise is sufficient; we have no notes and charge no interest. A new kind of credit was born in this house—credit that helps. It furnishes homes, and allows you the use of goods while you're paying for them. Every day is bargain day at HOUSE & HERRMANN'S.



75 Cents, instead of \$1.50. This is an over turned post, very handsomely carved ornamental back; it has brace arms, and is certainly worth \$1.50. Our price 75c each.



48 Cents, instead of 75c for this Antique Oak Finished Chair. The above is a genuine picture of it; it has handsome carved back, turned legs and spindles, saddle seat. It is piano varnished. A wonder.



\$4.49 buys this improved, non-tarnishable heater; highly polished castings and trimmings—more heat for less expense than any other stove.



Ornamental Roman Stool, Golden Oak and Imitation Mahogany, Veneered top, 16x16 inches; height, 15 inches. Price only 59 Cents
Come early for this.

House & Herrmann.