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BRIEF MENTION.

People you know.

Miss Ann Scheler, of Lewisburg, visited friends in town over Sunday.

W. H. Lewis, ex-County Commissioner of the county, arrived in town last week on Monday.

J. D. Holt, of Tamaqua, spent Sunday in town on the quest of John Kenyon on Marke Street.

P. J. Bruglet, of Buck Horn and E. L. Applon, of Wellersville, were among our callers this week.

Ralph Phillips is attending the annual meeting of the photographers of the State at Bellefonte this week.

Mrs. James W. Lewis, of Hollidaysburg, Blair County, arrived in town last week on a visit to her mother Mrs. Thomas Vannatta on Iron Street.

Misses Cora Kunkle and Caroline Kash n. r., of Bloomsburg spent Sunday in this city as guests of Miss Ella Peifer, Mill Street. —"Danville News."

Miss Mary Marks, formerly manager of the Western Union Telegraph office at this place, but now filling a like position in New Jersey, is visiting friends in town.

Legal advertisements on page 7.

The Ladies Exchange sale on Saturday morning as usual in Clark's basement.

The Bryogle tract of land in Montour township was sold to Elmer Runyon for \$830.

Rev. James Hunter, of Northumberland, conducted the last Sunday morning and evening services in the Methodist Church.

Leases that will collect the rent for the whole year if tenant leaves before expiration of term, also notices to quit, for sale at this office.

Qua, to all appearances, has forgotten his Bloomsburg friends, at least the outcome of the postoffice fight looks that way.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away. If you want to quit tobacco using easily and forever, be made well, strong, magnetic, full of new life and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. Many gain ten pounds in ten days. Over 400,000 cured. Buy No-To-Bac of your druggist, under guarantee to cure, 50c or \$1.00. Booklet and sample mailed free. Ad. Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

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W. S. RISETON, Ph. C. I.
Corcoran P. O. Pharmacist,

The Lenten season began yesterday, Ash Wednesday. Special services will be held in St. Paul's Episcopal Church from now till Easter.

Now that McKinley has named O. B. Mellick for postmaster, the appointment of the letter carriers for the free delivery service should not be far distant.

J. P. Welsh, Principal of the State Normal School attended the banquet given to President McKinley by the University of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia on Monday.

The ex-High School base ball team has organized for the coming season. This club is composed of first class material, and will make things interesting for any amateur team in this section.

The extensive improvements going on in Townsend's Clothing Store are not yet completed. When done we shall give an extended account of this house, which is one of Bloomsburg's leading business places.

Many members of the Gun Club of this place attended a live bird tournament at Cambra on Tuesday. We were unable to obtain the score. The honors were carried off by Stroth, of Pittston.

The thirty-first annual ball of the Friendship Fire Company was held in Evans' Hall, Tuesday evening, and was well attended. The Bloomsburg Orchestra, under the direction of M. B. Kiffo, furnished the music.

Alfred McHenry, one of Benton's most successful merchants, has purchased the E. C. Wells property on Fifth Street. It is said that R. T. Smith & Son of Benton have bought the McHenry store in Benton.

Gidding & Co's. new department store presents a fine and imposing appearance with its new white front of over sixty feet. A large arch has been cut between the clothing store and the shoe store, and the force of clerks has been increased.

Isaac G. Pursell, a life long resident of Hemlock township died at his home in Buckhorn on Saturday last at the advanced age of eighty-three years. The funeral occurred on Monday. He was the grandfather of F. P. Pursell.

The Republican, Benton Argus and Catawissa News Item were selected by the Commissioners on Saturday as the papers to publish the County Statement. The other county papers, excepting the Daily and Sentinel will use supplements.

Soto Simerato, the Japanese Fantacist, appeared at the Normal School Tuesday evening, the event being the anniversary of the Calliepan Literary Society. While some of his tricks were quite clever, the performance on the whole was considered ordinary but entertaining.

A company of young people are busy rehearsing for the beautiful drama "The Golden Gulch," which is to be rendered in the Opera House next week for the benefit of the Cubans. This is certainly a worthy object, and the young people should be greeted by a full house.

The following letters are advertised Feb. 22, 1898. Mrs. Mary E. Ande, Mrs. Sherman Creveling, Mr. Daniel Hahn, Miss Kate Hickey, Mr. Herbert Kelchner, Miss Ida Schankweiler. Will be sent to the dead letter office March 8, 1898.

A branch of the Co-operative Savings and Loan Association of Baltimore, Maryland, has been organized in Bloomsburg. The officers are: W. S. Moyer, President; P. S. Harman and Joseph G. Wells, Vice Presidents; J. H. Mercer, Secretary and Treasurer; and J. G. Harman, Attorney.

"The Heart of Chicago," which was produced at the Grand last night to an enthusiastic audience, is certainly the masterpiece of its author, Lincoln J. Carter, who also wrote and staged "The Fast Mail," "The Tornado" and other successful plays. With the skill of a true playwright he has woven a strong vein of comedy into what is essentially a melodrama, and he has mounted it with magnificent special scenery and properties. All that remained to insure its success was a competent cast and it is but necessary to add that the company is one of the strongest ever appearing in one of Carter's productions. The exciting climaxes were applauded to the echo last night, and the curtain went up after each act. The specialties, including a novel roller skating act, were very pleasing. "The Heart of Chicago" will be on the boards during the remainder of the week with Saturday matinee, and deserves crowded houses at each performance. —Wheeling Feb'y 11th. At the Bloomsburg Opera House March the 4th, 1898.

Falsehood Rebuked.

The editor of the Sentinel in last week's issue tries to make the voters of Bloom Poor District believe that Mr. Hagenbuch and I tried to rob the district. I admit doing several days carpenter work for the district at the same wages I received from other parties. At the auditors' settlement the auditors refused to allow me any pay because the law did not allow a director to furnish work or material for the district, whereupon they surcharged Mr. O. T. Wilson with several loads of manure he sold the district. I held that the district received value for my labor also for the manure, therefore Mr. Wilson and I were entitled to our pay.

Mr. Vanderslice being a warm friend of Mr. Wilson's and an enemy of mine never says a word about him but charges me with robbing and defrauding the district, which he knows is not true.

It will be interesting for the dear tax payers of the county to watch and see what the Sentinel has to say about the surcharges of Mr. Krickbaum as County Commissioner. No doubt it will make a difference whose ox is gored. I hope the honest Sentinel will have the courage to hew to the line and let the chips fall where they belong. The Superior Court has just handed down an opinion affirming the lower Court in the Sheriff McHenry Janitor case whereby Commissioner Krickbaum puts the dear taxpayers of the county in the hole for several hundred dollars. No doubt the Sentinel will now jump on the neck of the Superior Court with both feet like it always does on our County Court for doing its duty.

Mr. Vanderslice also says that the C. A. Klein and appeal case were settled on record against the wish of Klein, Wilson and himself as Atty. for Klein who wanted Mr. Hagenbuch and me to consent to settle the same, to which we consented to save costs for the district. If the settlements are not satisfactory I am willing to have satisfaction stricken off and both cases opened.

The Sentinel also says that Mr. Hagenbuch and I were elected last week with beer and boodle. This is another bare faced falsehood. The only beer and boodle that I heard of being used was handled by the Editor and Proprietor of the Sentinel up in Sugarloaf township the day before the election electioneering for the Prohibition candidate.

The instructions were given to voters to vote for Cox in Greenwood and Sugarloaf and for Sharpless in Scott and Bloom, but the voters in Bloom said "nit" we do not endorse rump conventions presided over by Vanderslice and Wilson and any person who accepts a nomination at their hands we will say to him what the owner said to his Billy sheep "you got in bad company and we will let you slide."

It is not too late for the Sentinel to profit by the Resolution which I presented and was passed in a Democratic caucus several years ago denouncing the Sentinel's course in reducing the Democratic majorities in the County.

M. H. RHODES.

A meeting was held in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, Monday evening, and preliminary steps taken to produce the cantatta, "The Shepherd Boy," in the near future. An effort will be made to have a chorus of eighty voices. It will be rendered under the direction of F. N. Turner.

The O. U. A. M. held a smoker in their hall in the Lockard building, Tuesday evening. There was quite a large attendance of members. The music was furnished by Hower, Goss and Wall. All had a good time.

Persistent Coughs

A cough which seems to hang on in spite of all the remedies which you have applied certainly needs energetic and sensible treatment. For twenty-five years that standard preparation of cod-liver oil,

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has proved its effectiveness in curing the trying affections of the throat and lungs, and this is the reason why: the cod-liver oil, partially digested, strengthens and vitalizes the whole system; the hypophosphites act as a tonic to the mind and nerves, and the glycerine soothes and heals the irritation. Can you think of any combination so effective as this?

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A LIVING WITNESS.

Mrs. Hoffman Describes How She Wrote to Mrs. Pinkham for Advice, and Is Now Well.

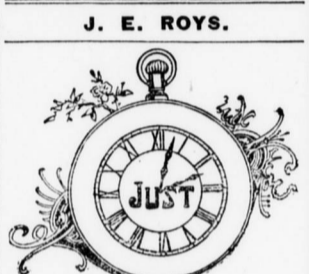
DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Before using your Vegetable Compound I was a great sufferer. I have been sick for months, was troubled with severe pain in both sides of abdomen, sore feeling in lower part of bowels, also suffered with dizziness, headache, and could not sleep.



I wrote you a letter describing my case and asking your advice. You replied telling me just what to do. I followed your directions, and cannot praise your medicine enough for what it has done for me. Many thanks to you for your advice. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has cured me, and I will recommend it to my friends.—MRS. FLORENCE R. HOFFMAN, 512 Roland St., Canton, O.

The condition described by Mrs. Hoffman will appeal to many women, yet lots of sick women struggle on with their daily tasks disregarding the urgent warnings until overtaken by actual collapse.

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The Catawissa Road-Reading Company Sending Traffic Over That Branch—Shamokin Division Suffers.

The Catawissa branch of the P. & R. railway is rapidly swallowing up all the traffic heretofore transported over the Shamokin division, and this former important branch is rapidly becoming a mere side issue in the great Reading system. The latest rumor, and an apparently well founded one, is that within a very short time the local freights now running between Tamaqua and Newberry will be greatly reduced. Instead of six, as now, there will be but two after this week. A change will be made in the schedule at that time. This will necessitate the laying off of several crews. These changes may be made this week. It is also said that the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company will begin the work of double tracking their road from Tamaqua to Buck Mountain on the 26th of this month.

STATE NEWS ITEMS.

—Jacob B. Shuman is a County Commissioner in Lancaster at the age of 84.

—John K. Thomas fell down the Stevens shaft at Pittston on Saturday and was instantly killed.

—All the Mechanicsburg industrial establishments are running full time with their complement of hands.

—Thieves hauled away \$600 worth of clothing from the store of Phillip Coffee at Tamaqua, Saturday morning.

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We here mention four items, but come, see the goods.

42 in. all wool Priestley's Poplins, 80c yd., worth to day \$1.00 a yd.
48 in. Black Mohair, 59c yd.,
46 in. Drap D'ete, \$1.50 yd., worth \$1.75.
50 in. all wool Cassimere Serge, 50c yd., worth 62½c.

LINENS. We call your attention to our Linen Department where you will find complete lines of table linens in all grades of bleached and unbleached. Towels in all grades, Napkins, Doylies, Towelings by the yard, Lunch Cloths, Pattern Table Linens, Linen Sets, etc. Prices are in the buyers favor notwithstanding the former tone of the market. See the 72c Bleached Damask; the towels at 29c pair; Turkish towels at 25c pair; toweling at 3½c yd.; plaid linens for cushion covers.

Silverware, Roger's Make, in knives, forks, teaspoons, tablespoons, etc., at prices lower than usual for these high grade goods.

Sheets and Pillow Cases, torn and hemmed, made of best muslins, about as cheap as you would buy the muslin. See the goods, and we think you will be convinced it will not pay to make them.

Fur Baby Carriage Robes at reduced prices.
Wool Undershirts at reduced prices.
Dress Skirts at reduced prices. Try our Skirt, all lined, at \$1.49.
Eiderdown House Sacques reduced in price.
Percales, yard wide, all grades.
All Black Brocade Sateens, 12½c yd. 20 yds. Muslin for 88c.
Dress Trimmings all kinds.

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I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

LAST WEEK OF SPECIAL LINEN SALE—Closing on Monday night, 28th. (We repeat prices for those who have not been here.)

COUNTERPANES.	TABLE COVERS.
Was \$2.25, now \$1.95.	Was \$3.00, now \$2.25
" 1.95, " 1.59.	" 1.00, (with fringe), now 50c
" 1.50, " 1.29.	Towels, sheets and pillow cases all reduced in the same proportion.
" 1.00, " 87c.	New embroideries for muslin wear at 5, 8, 10, 12½, 15 to 25c.
" 75c, " 59c.	New line of striped, plaid and plain ribbons just opened this week for neck ties.
" 59c, " 48c.	New percales, 10 and 12½c yd.
TABLE LINENS.	New gingham, 3c. to 25c.
Was \$1.00, now 84c yd.	New white dress goods, 5c. to 35c.
" 75c, " 62c. "	New India linens, 8c. to 35c.
" 50c, " 44c. "	New silkline, 10 and 12½c.
" 39c, " 32c. "	New line of silks for waists and dress trimmings.
" 25c, " 22c. "	
" 19c, " 16c. "	
NAPKINS.	
Was \$2.75, now \$2.39 doz.	
" 2.00, " 1.75 "	
" 1.75, " 1.50 "	
" 1.00, " 85c. "	
" 50c, " 39c. "	

Ladies' misses' and children's coats at still greater reduction. Careful buyers can make big interest by buying for another season. (Don't forget the linen sale at above prices will close Monday evening next, the 28th.)

I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

EVERYTHING MUST BE SOLD.

To move the remainder of our stock we have still cut prices lower. Your opportunity of buying goods of all kinds less than cost. We must vacate the store room, the time is short, the

GOODS MUST BE SOLD,

and we have made prices that should move them rapidly. We mention below a few items:

DRESS GOODS. All our dress goods that have been 50c. now go at 25c. 25c. yd.

SILK POPLINS that sold for \$1.00 yd., now 35c. yd.

BROADCLOTHS that sold for \$1.00 and \$1.25, now 65c. yd.

SILKS that sold for \$1.40 yd., now 90c. yd. \$1.25 yd. now 75c. yd. \$1.00 yd. now 60c. yd.

SATINES that sold for 40 and 25c. yd. now 14 and 10c. yd. now 9c. yd.

ORGANDES. French goods, that sold for 50c. yd. now 15c. yd.

Laws that sold for 12 and 14c. now 5 and 3c. yd.

DRESS GINGHAMS that sold for 12½c. yd. now go at 5c. yd.

All silk mixed Dress Gingham, that was 35c. yd., now 15c. yd.

Crowley's sewing needles, 2c. paper. Corticelli (100 yd.) sewing silk, 6c. spool. "Corticelli wash Filo and Twist, 35c. doz. All silk baby ribbon, 2 yds. for 1c. 300 yd. spools besting cotton, 3 spools for 1c.

LEATHER BELTS at 10c. Worth double and more.

LADIES' LINEN COLLARS, 50 piece Ladies' cuffs, 5c. pair.

SILVERWARE. Rogers' 1847 make &c., at half price.

UNDERWEAR. 25c. Ladies' vests and pants, now 15c. 50c. men's shirts and pants, now 30c. 25c. children's shirts and pants, now 15c. Cotton flannels, Cretonnes, &c. at reduced prices

Corsets in large sizes at 50c, worth 75c. 32 in. French Gingham, 10c. yd. Best light Calico, 3c. yd. 36 in. Sea Island Percales, 8c. yd.

VELVETS. Striped silk velvets suitable for waists, &c. that was \$1.00 and \$1.25 yd., now 29c. yd.

LACE CURTAINS in odd pairs at all most your own price.

FINE DOTTED SWISSEN, suitable for dresses, curtains, &c. at greatly reduced prices.

BLACK DRESS GOODS away down in price.

WHITE FLANNELS. Fine goods at reduced prices.

STAMPED LINENS. One-half former price.

HANDKERCHIEFS, 30 and 25c. ladies' now 18c.

36 in. plain colored Laws for dresses and linings in all colors, now go for 8c. yd.

BUTTONS. The best values you ever seen. Goods that was 25c. doz., now 2 doz. for 15c., and lots of others. See them.

JEWELRY. An assortment of Stick pins, Brooches, Ear-rings, Bracelets, and your own selection at 5c. each. Goods worth ten and twenty times the price.

EMBROIDERIES away down. It will pay you to see them.

BLACK SHAWLS. Fine Thibet goods at less than cost of importation. See them.

HOSE. Ladies' and children's stockings that sold for 25c. and 10c. pair. Now 5c. pair.

Ladies' hose that was 50c. pair now 15c. Men's hose at 10c. pair.

Now is your time. Lots of other bargains for you. Come and see.

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