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The Electric Light Question.

Editor Press:
SIR:—The following small towns own their electric light plants, light their streets and sell light to individuals with the results as stated: Swanton, Vt., population when the report was made, about 3,231. Street arc lights, 2,000 candle power, cost the taxpayers \$10 per year each. Chehalis, Washington, population, 2,000. Street arc cost tax-payers \$8 per year each. Indianola, Ia., population, 2836. Same cost, net, \$7.00 per year. Wellston, Ohio, population, 4,377. Cost per arc, for street lights, after profit from incandescents is deducted, \$7.00 each. Grand Ledge, Mich., population, 2,218. Cost per arc, \$6.50. Albany, Mo., population, 1500, reports that commercial lights pay all expenses of street lights. Batavia, Ill., population, 3,543, says 120 street arcs, all night, cost nothing. All expenses paid by commercial light. Crete, Nebraska, population, 2,310, is lighted by 50 street arcs, and reports that commercial lights more than pay all expenses. Council Grove, Kansas, population, 2415, says commercial lamps pay all expenses, operation and interest. Middletown, Pa., population, 5,800, says, 500 incandescents pay all expenses. Oxford, Ohio, population, 1,922, reports that 1300 incandescents pay for the street lamps. St. Peter's Minn., population, 4,251. Street lights cost nothing. 1000 incandescents pay all expenses. Farmville, Va., population, 2,404, owns an electric light plant which sells enough light to citizens to furnish 25 street arcs free and put \$340 in the city treasury. Luverne, Minn., population, 1890, provides 12 street arcs free, and put \$520 in the treasury. Falls City, Neb., population, 2,102, lights the streets and puts \$650 in the treasury. Rockport, Mo., population, 1100, lights streets free and puts \$900 in the treasury.

The difference in results is partly due to difference in cost of coal, but is chiefly due to the widely varying rate at which incandescents are sold. I am still of the opinion that a 50 arc plant can be installed for \$5000. I am by no means certain, however, but that it might prove more economical and better in the long run to put in a little larger and better plant to start with. It is not necessary though, nor even desirable, to put in a plant much larger than our needs are likely to demand in the near future, as an electric light plant gives better service and runs more economically when run at its full capacity. It is not necessary either to keep on hand a large amount of duplicate machinery. A few duplicates of parts most likely to get broken is all that is needed and should not call for any large outlay on that account.
E. O. BARDWELL.
Emporium, Pa., Dec. 12, 1900.

Adjusting the Loss.

During the past few days insurance adjusters have been busily engaged taking an inventory of Jasper Harris' stock of clothing, recently damaged by fire and water—more water than fire.

Death's Doings.

MRS. A. P. JONES.
WINDSOR, November 24.—The death of Mrs. A. P. Jones which occurred on Saturday afternoon, after a lingering illness, will be learned with sincere regret by a wide circle of friends throughout the province. Anna Louisa Hill Jones was the daughter of William Hill, esquire, of Kemton, Somersetshire, England, cousin of Sir Rowland Hill, the famous originator of "the penny postage," and grand-niece of Major John March, an officer of George IV's Royal Guard. Mrs. Jones came to Canada shortly after her marriage and resided in Windsor for many years. She was a most estimable lady, beloved by all who enjoyed the privilege of her acquaintance, and her death is an irreparable loss to her family and friends.—Halifax, (N. S.) Herald, Nov. 27th, 1900. Deceased was mother of Mr. Geo. P. Jones, of Emporium.

A TURKEY FOR EVERY WIDOW.

The Press Will Send a Turkey to Every Widow in Emporium This Year.

The PRESS is delighted to inform the widowed ladies of Emporium that arrangements have been made to present each with a nice Turkey for their Christmas dinner, and the same plan as last year will be observed. All names must be presented at this office, by letter or personally, not later than Saturday, Dec. 22. We are enabled to make this kind offer through the generosity of a citizen of Emporium. Last year 60 widows were served in this manner. Send in your name at once, that all may be served. The demand for the popular American bird this year is very large and we wish to slight none. All names are kept private.

West Branch Fire Brick Company.

The West Branch Fire Brick Company was organized in this place last Friday afternoon. The following officers were elected: President, C. F. Barclay of Sinnamahoning; secretary, B. F. Geary of Lock Haven; treasurer, Josiah Howard of Emporium. Directors, C. F. Barclay of Sinnamahoning; J. O. Brookbank of Driftwood; Josiah Howard of Emporium; F. S. Sherman of Rolf; A. N. Stevenson, and J. F. Foley of Renovo; B. F. Geary of Lock Haven. The capital stock has been fixed at \$160,000, which amount has been largely subscribed and subscriptions for the balance are fast coming in. The plant will be erected at the mouth of Drury's Run, about one mile west of Renovo, and will have a capacity of from 20,000 to 40,000 brick per day, and will employ 200 men. An analysis of the clay made by the chemist of State College has shown the clay on these lands to be of a superior quality. A charter will be applied for as soon as the full amount of the capital stock has been subscribed.—Renovo Record.

It will be seen from the above that several Cameron county capitalists are interested in the development of the fire brick industry of Clinton county. While we hope the gentlemen will realize their fondest expectations we also hope they may acquire a knowledge of the business sufficient to warrant their developing the clay deposits of this county. It is an undisputed fact that fire clay in abundance and of a superior quality exists in the hills of this county. From personal investigation we know that large veins of good fire clay, of the flint rock variety, can be found here. Let us hope that gentlemen of means will take up the matter.

Four From Driftwood.

Driftwood Gazette:
H. C. Olmsted, of Emporium had business in town on Thursday last. Mrs. P. O'Connor and mother Mrs. W. W. Harmon, spent Saturday with friends in Emporium.

Ye editor was a visitor to Philadelphia a couple of days last week and enjoyed a sumptuous Thanksgiving dinner at the home of Miss Julia Rothrock. We found our former citizens all enjoying good health and prosperity.

A meeting of the citizens will be held at the Commercial Hotel Saturday evening for the purpose of organizing a hose company. Supt Gleason informs us that a company will also be organized at the tannery. The two companies should meet after their organization and elect a chief. The company from which the chief is chosen to have the second assistant and the other company the first assistant.

Clearwater Will Contest.

DuBois, Pa., Dec. 10.—J. K. P. Hall, Representative of the Twenty-eighth Congressional district, was served to-day at his home in Ridgway with papers notifying him of the purpose of his late opponent, Col. A. A. Clearwater, to contest his re-election to Congress. The contest is based on alleged election frauds in Elk county, which is Hall's home. The papers were prepared by W. C. Arnold, of this place, who was defeated by Hall two years ago.

An Immense Success.

Slayton's Jubilee Singers at the Court House last evening was a great success, every seat in the large room being occupied. The entertainment was pleasing and elicited great applause. Rev. O. S. Metzler who has charge of the Course this year, is presenting only first-class entertainments.

Will Reside at Bethlehem.

Mrs. Mahlon G. Pott and son Henry, of Emporium, Pa., who have been visiting here, will leave the latter part of this week for Bethlehem, where they will join Mahlon Pott, formerly master mechanic at the Emporium furnaces, Andrew Brady manager, having recently secured a lucrative position there. The household goods were shipped to Bethlehem today.—Lebanon News.

Chapter Installation and Banquet.

Last Tuesday afternoon and evening, Emporium Chapter, No. 227, H. R. A. C., held an important session in their rooms at this place. The entire afternoon and evening was consumed with the degree work and installation. District Deputy High Priest, Joseph J. Lingle, installed the officers elect, after which a Banquet, prepared by the ladies of Presbyterian church, was enjoyed. About forty partook of the many good things and report a large time.

The Free Reading Room a Suggestion.

At this season of the year when we are purchasing books, and offering our lists of periodicals, ought not those of us who can afford to do so to do something for the Reading Room by presenting it with a year's subscription to some good paper or magazine? The following are the periodicals that are coming to the Reading Room at present: The Philadelphia Public Ledger, Williamsport Gazette and Bulletin, The Illustrated London News, Puck and Judge.

The writer of this has ordered the Review of Reviews for the Reading Room for the year 1901.
ALETHOS.

Busy Sinnamahoning.

This busy burg is taking on a lively air and presents an appearance that takes us back to years of long ago. Ye editor passed a couple of hours there last Tuesday and noted the many improvements now being made in this important railroad centre. The construction crew on Goodyears railroad is busy laying the iron and expect to commence running trains to Sinnamahoning within a month. A large force of men are at work. Messrs. Barclay Bro.'s who also operate a railroad from Jerry Run to Sinnamahoning, have built a short spur line and formed connection with the Goodyear road, intending to ear all lumber or logs in the future from their lands on the Forks. Messrs. Goodyear have, we are informed, about 100,000,000 feet of hemlock on the First Fork and its tributaries. The coming year will be a lively one on the Fork and at Sinnamahoning.

Not having time to look up Pap Blodget, we found Vine Hanscom, Ike Barber and O. L. Bailey busy engaged over friend Barber's big Michigan fish stories. Everybody in Sinnamahoning looks to the mighty hunter for one that will down Lon Bailey's latest.

Letter to Geo. J. LaBar.

Emporium, Pa.
Dear Sir: There are two sorts of furniture. You know both; for you sell 'em both. One sort looks better than it is, and the other is better than it looks. There isn't any other sort.

The same, two sorts of paint, no more; and we make 'em both—we make tons of stuff that isn't worth its freight. Belongs to the business—have to. Belongs to your business—you have to.

But this is aside. We put into cans, with our name on, the very best paint in the world: Devoe lead and zinc. It is twice as good as lead and oil; lasts twice as long. And we take the risk of it—there isn't any risk.
Yours truly,
F. W. DEVOE & CO.
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That Port Allegany Football Game.

The football game played on the fair grounds last Thursday drew a large crowd and as the grounds were not in condition, it was a grand surprise that the home team won against the picked team from Emporium. Soldiers tried and true never shirked a battle nor called for help from outside parties. Port Allegany's team consisted of students of the high school, while Emporium stuffed their team from anywhere and everywhere. As a result Port Allegany won the game by a score of 16 to 0, and the fellows from Emporium were exceedingly sore in consequence. Their actions of retaliation at the Red Men's dance proclaimed them anything but gentlemen, and if they have no better stuff to offer in rebuttal they should keep the "stuff" at home.—Port Allegany Press.

We do not wish to seem captious nor to appear hypocritical, but we feel compelled to bestow upon the writer of the above article a slight "calling down." "Soldiers tried and true never shirked a battle or called for help from outside parties." Now that is all very pretty, but hardly truthful, for we were there ourselves and participated in the entire "rallakaboo," if one of your citizens has not misinformed us, you imported players from Bradford and Smethport, for the occasion, also that the only high school student on your team was the quarter-back. We had but one out-of-town player, Billings of St. Marys, and if you will recollect he was the gentleman who challenged the "soldiers true" to a game with St. Marys, at Emporium the following Saturday, but you did not like that "stuff." "As the grounds were not in condition it was a grand surprise that the home team won." Comment on that is hardly necessary, for anyone knows that a light team, unacquainted with the ground is always at a disadvantage. The game as a whole was very unsatisfactory to Emporium, for Port's kids (?) introduced us to several things not found in the rule book. These pleasantries, such as taking choice of terms, stealing the ball, coaching from side lines, not having the required number of men on the line of scrimmage, four downs, etc., were comparatively nothing, with the blow that reached our "solar plexus," it consisted of the placing of two "subs," on the side lines, (or rather on the edge of the crowd, for side lines, there were none) in such a position that they could down anything that got beyond reach of the backs. By use of this trump they twice prevented our half-back from making touch-downs. Lemon's attentions was called to this unlawful act, but as in his interpretations of the rules his vision was rather hazy.

It was an interesting game to see eleven boys not averaging over 140 lbs. line up against 13 men who would weigh, at least 160 lbs. to the player. Something like Rhode Island matched against Texas.—"it was a grand surprise." We congratulate you on your glorious victory. Shake.

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Obituary.

Mrs. Elizabeth Strawbridge, wife of James Strawbridge, formerly of Sterling Run, this county, now of Johnsonburg, died last Saturday morning, Dec. 8th. Mrs. Strawbridge had been a great sufferer for several years but had so far recovered from her former trouble after the family removed to Johnsonburg that hopes were entertained that she would be spared for some years yet, but alas, the time for her departure came, a relapse of her former complaint had finished its work, after having baffled the skill of the physicians for years. Her illness arising from a deranged stomach caused extreme suffering, yet she bore it with Christian fortitude and a complete resignation to the Divine will of Him who doeth all things well. Deceased leaves a husband, four sons and three daughters to mourn her taking off, two children having preceded her to the innumerable city years ago.

The remains were taken to Sterling Run Tuesday morning for interment, the services being held in the M. E. Church, where a host of sympathizing friends and neighbors had assembled. Her pastor, the Rev. Jelburt, of Johnsonburg M. E. Church, preached an excellent and appropriate sermon, using for his text, Numbers 23:10: "Let me die the death of the righteous, let my last end be as his."

Elizabeth Berfield was born June 30th, 1839—married to James Strawbridge, Feb. 10th, 1859—died Dec. 8th, 1900, aged 61 years, six months and eight days.

Minstrels Coming.

Guy Bros' Minstrels will appear at the Opera House, Wednesday night, Dec. 19th, with an entire new show and company. Nothing this season you ever saw before. Go and see the Buck Dancers (10 of them.) Also hear their double quartette sing the "Holy City." This alone is worth the price of admission.

Subscribe for the PRESS; only \$1.50 a year in advance.

WEATHER REPORT.
(Forecast by T. B. Lloyd.)
FRIDAY, Fair or snow.
SATURDAY, Cloudy; colder.
SUNDAY, Probably Fair and cold.

BEDARD, THE TAILOR.



YOUNG MEN.

Do you want to be and ginger in your clothes, here's the place to find it. We have no

SPECIAL HOBBIES
that young men should look like their fathers or like their little brothers but they must be just the thing—like a procession. Some one must lead and our efforts are to be

The Leaders
in every point in our business. Style, fit and workmanship.

Well covered

are the heads of the men we sell hats to. We sell all sorts of hats to all sorts of people. We can sell a good hat for two dollars, but it would be suitable only for the man who wants a two dollar hat. It wouldn't do for the man who wants a silk tie. Those who buy here get good honest values and the latest styles whether they buy two dollar hats or whether they want to pay three or five dollars, or any other price.

BEDARD, THE TAILOR.
J. L. FOBERT, Manager,
Parsons' Bazaar, Emporium, Pa.

Store News.

FINE CHINA, GLASS, WARE AND SILVER-WARE.	Stylish Jackets. What is "style?" If you can answer that you are wiser than the dictionary makers. No matter you know what style is, whether you can define it or not. Knowing "style" when you see it, you know that it depends very largely on little things. DISTINCTIVENESS comes in little touches here and there—the cut of a cuff, the turn of a collar, the skillful use of stitching—you know, any one of a hundred little things. It is in these "little things," these big little points of distinctiveness and novelty that our Jackets are strong.	DOLLS, TOYS, AND SLEDS.
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LADIES' FURS. An unexcelled stock awaits you, but the chief claim upon your attention is in the prices just now—and they are temptingly low.	DRESS GOODS. New textures, new designs and colorings, make this the most attractive dress goods stock. Priced as we price all merchandise—to the interest of your purse.
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UNDERWEAR. Perfection of stock and finish, correctness of shape and price, markings that help to economy, are the features of our underwear selling at all times.	GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS. Our groceries and provisions always give satisfaction to the purchasers. All are of unquestionable purity and prices run with an economical step.
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Golf and Plush Capes.

An unequalled line of Golf and Plush Capes in such styles as you see here only. It is such a showing as only this store can make, a store that always offers its patrons the BEST VALUES in Winter Wraps. When considering values, please don't forget quality and style.

TOWELS AND NAPKINS. Positively the best values ever offered in this or any other store in town. Beautiful high grade goods for the price you would usually pay for the ordinary kinds.	CHILDREN'S COATS. The correct styles, the newest ideas, the greatest stock in town. More style, more elegance for the money than in any other store's offerings.
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HANDKERCHIEFS. We offer a complete line of these goods—the very newest and best in the market at prices that insure a considerable saving.	RUBBERS. This Rubber department is a surprise to most people. It sells good rubbers for little money. Hence its great success. All are of Guaranteed Quality.
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M. C. TULIS.

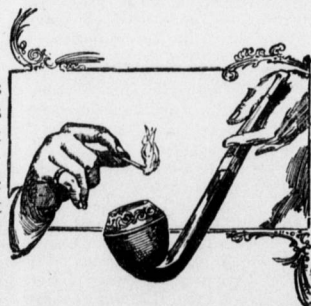
EASTMAN'S KODAK
Smoke It
and smoke it. It will be a burning proof of the goodness and quality we sell here for little money. Years of business has convinced us of two things—that we can make the most money by being perfectly honest, and that almost every smoker has a different pipe taste. The pipes we have—well, there are long pipes, short pipes and pipes so twisted that it would take you a month to unravel them. Prices are varied too—but there are none of them long—none of them twisted.

You can carry it in your hands, on your shoulder, in your pocket or on your bicycle. You press the button and the Kodak will do the rest.

HARRY S. LLOYD.

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