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WEATHER REPORT.
(Forecast by T. B. Lloyd.)
FRIDAY, Fair.
SATURDAY, Cloudy.
SUNDAY, Probably Snow.

Improving.

Frank Easterbrooks, who has been at death's door for some time, with typhoid fever, is improving and Dr. Heilman, his attending physician, informs the PRESS that he considers him in a fair way to recovery.

DEATH'S DOINGS.

MOORE.

William M. Moore, of Clear Creek, aged 34 years, died at the family residence Friday, Dec. 14th, 1900, after an illness of only a few days. Mr. Moore leaves a wife and two small children—the widow being a daughter of the late Elihu Housler. Deceased who had been in poor health for some time, contracted a severe cold and typhoid pneumonia setting in, his death quickly followed. We had known the deceased for several years and respected him for his many good qualities. The bereaved widow and fatherless children have our heartfelt sympathy in their terrible affliction. The funeral took place last Sunday, at 2 o'clock p. m., from Rich Valley church and was largely attended. Rev. Ingersoll, of Emporium, officiated.

HACKETT.

Miss Maud Hackett, aged 15 years, died at the residence of her parents, in Buffalo, N. Y., last Thursday, after an illness of eight weeks, with typhoid fever. Deceased was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Hackett, formerly respected citizens of Emporium. The best medical skill and professional nurses were constantly in attendance upon the young lady, but all without avail. Her remains were brought to Emporium last Friday and taken to the residence of Mrs. Hackett's parents—Mr. and Mrs. David Murray's, East Third street. The funeral took place Saturday afternoon, services being held at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, of which the deceased was a member. Rev. J. M. Robertson officiated. The young lady is highly spoken of by our citizens and greatly loved by her associates. The PRESS, as well as our citizens generally, deeply sympathize with the bereaved family.

Fifth Class Musicale.

Last Saturday evening Miss May Iva Gould assisted by Miss Maze Gallagher, violinist, gave her fifth class recital in music at her residence. The program was especially prepared for the benefit of the class, none but her scholars being present and only a portion being on the program, at this time:

- PROGRAM.
- Poet and Peasant Overture.....Suppe
 - Rondino.....Ritter
 - Lullaby.....Whitner
 - Waltz.....Fennimore
 - Evening Song.....Lange
 - Duet, Edna Anchu, Ellen Anchu.....Waltz, Stasia Lawler
 - At the Fountain.....Reinhold
 - Words of Lore.....Ganz
 - Vaschetta.....Cooper
 - Piano Solo, Miss Miller.....Ethal Day
 - Trio—Welcome to Spring.....Osten
 - Isabella, Valse.....Bachmann
 - Will O' the Wis.....Jungmann
 - Solo—Selected, Lizzie McInnes.....Eva Leet
 - Piano Solo, Alice Montgomery.....Duet, Jane Kaye, Christy McDonald
 - Polka, Two Pianos, 8 hands.....Annie Welsh
 - Will O' the Wis.....Jungmann
 - 3d Valse Impromptu.....Eathburn
 - Piano Solo, Belle Husted.....Francis Quinn
 - The Streamlet.....Nellie Lingle
 - Valse.....Chopin Op. 64
 - Mazurka-Caprice.....Julia Rices-King
 - Violin—Selected, Mazie Gallagher.....Eva Leet
 - Butterfly.....Makel
 - La Dolcezza.....Barnett
 - Whispering Wind (Caprice).....W. Ulenhaupt
 - Il Trovatore, (Fantasia).....Edna Anchu
 - Belle Husted, Rena Hertig.....Sydney Smith

The class enjoyed the occasion judging from the hearty applause accorded each member. Miss Maze Gallagher has become quite proficient as a violinist, and kindly assisted the class upon this occasion was cordially endorsed. The program was completed near mid-night, when after light refreshments, the happy scholars departed for home, seemingly well pleased with their efforts.

Taggart's sells more books than all the rest of the places together. Why? because he sells cheaper.

R. H. Hirsch, at the old and popular Hirsch jewelry store, has now displayed a full line of silver novelties, ranging in prices from 25c to \$1.00. No fancy prices. Honest goods at honest prices.

Kaye-Norie.

Invitations have been issued by Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Kaye inviting their daughter, Miss Martha, to Mr. James Lester Norie, the ceremony to take place at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Christmas morning, at 8 o'clock. Judging from the preparations being made it will be an elaborate affair. The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Kaye and is a very popular young lady and highly esteemed by our people. The groom, while practically a stranger to us, we hear him highly spoken of by the citizens of Renovo, where he resides. It is a little premature to congratulate the young couple, yet we must do so. May they have a long life of pure love and happiness.

The Firemen's Fund.

The Executive and Finance Committees of the Firemen's Convention to be held in Emporium in 1901, will call upon subscribers on Dec. 27th, 1900 and will expect each subscriber to pay at least 25 per cent. of their subscription. It is one of the regulations of the District Association to collect a large portion of the money at once and have same in hands of the committee in order to insure the co-operation and success of the annual meeting. Officially numbered receipts will be given for each payment. No person or member of committee is authorized to receive any payments unless they present an official receipt.

C. W. SHAFFER, Chairman.
JOSIAH HOWARD, Sec'y.

Surprise Party.

Last Friday evening about thirty gentlemen friends called at the residence of Dr. R. P. Heilman, to assist in the celebration of his 50th birthday. The visit was in the nature of a surprise and the genial Dr. assures us it was a genuine surprise. The evening was delightfully pleasant and the callers were royally received and entertained by the Dr. and his estimable wife, until a late hour. The Doctor was pleasantly remembered by his friends, who presented him with an easy chair and hat rack.

After a jolly good time, elegant refreshment were served, prepared by the Dr.'s good wife and daughter, when the welcome guests departed for home. Dr. Heilman has resided in this county for 25 years, first at Driftwood but during the past 24 years has been one of Emporium's most respected and energetic citizens—always ready to put his shoulder to the wheel and help along any movement for the upbuilding of Emporium or Cameron county.

Slayton's Jubilee Singers.

Slayton's Jubilee Singers met the highest expectations of the patrons of the People's Course. The chorus singing was characterized by an abandon and an animation of which the colored people alone are capable and evoked frequent outbursts of applause that were hearty in the extreme. The solo parts were scarcely less creditable and stamped the several singers as artists in their respective lines. Of exceptional merit was the singing of Madam Sylvester, the specialties by Mr. and Mrs. Tutt, the male Quartette and the whistling by Mr. Washington. The latter is a phenomenon. That the program of the hour was all too short was the unanimous verdict of the large audience.

Emmanuel Church Christmas Services.

Christmas Day, 11 a. m., celebration of the Holy Communion, Christmas Anthem, "Arise, Shine, for Thy Light is Come."

The Sunday School Christmas festival will be held at 5 o'clock on Monday evening.

WORTH SEEING.—Have you seen the display of solid silver at Metzger's? It is worth going to see. 40-4t

Full line of silverware, fancy mantle clocks, carving sets and other silver novelties at Hirsch's.

Xmas boxes of the leading brands of cigars—one dollar per box—twenty-five in each box, at H. S. Lloyd's.

Sterling Silver Novelties in great variety at Taggart's.

Don't pass H. S. Lloyd's china counter without glancing at the great variety of Jardines, dishes, vases, &c. A glance means a gift purchased.

APPRECIATION.—Can you blame people for patronizing merchants, that show their appreciation for their custom by making it convenient for their customers? A store without a telephone closes its doors to a large number of customers from the best trade of the town. 40-4t

Bedard, the Tailor, has just what you are looking for for Christmas presents—the handsomest neckties and hats for your husband, brother or sweetheart. Stylish assortment.

No Paper Next Week.

The PRESS will not be issued next week, yet the establishment will be open for the transaction of business and job printing. Wishing our readers, one and all, a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Under the Wheels.

Fred Colson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Colson, who reside in Plank Road Hollow, this place, while in the discharge of his duty as brakeman on the Goodyear railroad, met with an accident last Saturday afternoon that will render him a cripple for life if he recovers from the injury sustained. While in the act of coupling the cars, on the hill near Keating Summit, and as the cars came together, he slipped and fell, the wheels passing over the left leg diagonally from the heel to just above the ankle, crushing that member, and dislocating the knee joint. The young man was taken to the hospital at Austin, where the shattered member was taken off at or near the knee.

In consequence of the report here to the effect that the young man had lost both legs and was in a dying condition, Mr. John Hertig drove to Austin Sunday with Mrs. Colson, and Frank Wheaton and Chas. Colson also driving to that place, where they found to their delight, although bad enough, the reports circulated here were widely wrong, and that the son and brother was well cared for and getting along nicely, having stood the operation without difficulty. Chas. Colson remained with his brother.

We are informed that the injured young man carries accident insurance in the Railroad Brotherhood and the railroad relief which will, in his case, amount to about \$1,600.

Masonic Banquet.

A number of Emporium Masons visited Driftwood Lodge last Friday evening and witnessed the installation of the officers by Past Master, Geo. B. Barclay. After the session of the lodge all repaired to the Commercial Hotel, where the Ladies' Aid Society served an elegant banquet. The tables were beautifully arranged in hollow square, and decorated with beautiful flowers. It is needless to add that the spread was simply immense and hugely enjoyed. That would be putting it mildly. Evidently the Driftwood ladies, who certainly did look "just too lovely for anything" upon this occasion, know how to prepare a feast and how to serve it.

After devouring the delicious repast, fragrant cigars were passed, when the speech making commenced with Capt. C. F. Barclay acting as Toast Master in his usual pleasant manner. Toasts were responded to by Rev. M. C. Piper, Judge Huntly, E. C. Davison, A. C. Blum and others—all paying flattering compliments to the ladies. The Emporium visitors composed of Messrs. U. A. Palmer, A. C. Blum, E. C. Davison, E. W. Gaskill, F. P. Strayer, Chas. T. Logan, S. L. Barton and ye editor, returned hearty thanks to the Driftwood brethren for their cordial reception. The festivities closed after midnight. The Emporium "night hawks" played pedro until the "Flyer" came along, late as usual one hour, arriving at home in time for breakfast.

The next time we visit Driftwood, and Palmer happens to be in the gang, we advise the citizens of that town to put on an extra night policeman if they wish to save anything that is movable. Either that or supply him with a trunk. Our satchel will not hold his "swipes."

If you want a nice lounge for a Christmas present, go to LaBar's, the place you can always buy the cheapest. 42

Have you seen the great variety of neckwear at Bedard's the tailor? If not you have missed it. You should make your selections early for Christmas and get the best.

Diamond rings and pins, the latest, at Hirsch's.

Baird & Co. Solvent.

An announcement in a despatch from Reading, published yesterday, that the assignment of the Reading Foundry Company was attributed to the failure of C. R. Baird & Co., of this city, was erroneous. C. R. Baird & Co., who have extensive offices on the third floor of the Bullitt Building, have not failed. The firm has been in business in Philadelphia for six years. It is a large creditor of the Reading Foundry Company.

The concern is very heavily engaged in the production of pig iron, operating blast furnaces and rolling mills at Catawqua, Chickies, Danville and Emporium, Pa.; Bridgeton, N. J., and Roanoke, Va. It also acquired large interests some time ago in the Elmira Rolling Mills, operated by the Elmira (N. Y.) Steel Company, and the Blue Mountain Iron and Steel Company, at Catoctin Furnace, Md. Since these several enterprises were organized under the operative control of C. R. Baird & Co., the market for iron and steel products has very largely depreciated, and a recent judgment entered at Bridgeton, N. J., coupled with the knowledge that the firm has been on the streets of late, probably gave color to the mistaken announcement from Reading that the concern had failed.

C. R. Baird, the head of the firm, is well known among such firms as L. & R. Wister, Justice Cox, Jr., J. J. Mohr and other large operators and iron brokers. He is a member of a widely-known Ohio family of Bairds, who have been in the iron business for three generations. Frank P. Baird, his brother, is general manager of the Buffalo (N. Y.) Union Furnace Company, which absorbed two other large Buffalo plants last March.

Rogers-Lyon.

Edwin J. Rogers, of Shippen, and Miss Bessie E. Lyon, of Iberia, O., were married yesterday at the home of the bride. They will be "at home" to their Cameron county friends after Jan. 1st, 1901. Mr. Rogers is an industrious young man and is greatly respected by our people. The bride is a popular young lady and has many friends in this section, having visited here recently, when she met her fate. The PRESS extends its compliments to the happy couple.

Seven Lives Lost.

Fire destroyed the Normal school at Fredonia, N. Y., last Friday morning, entailing a loss of \$250,000. The janitor, P. J. Moris, of Fredonia, and six young ladies were burned to death. One of the young ladies, named Miss Mabel Fizzell, of Bradford, Pa., was a relative of Miss Myrtle Shaffer of this place. She escaped from the burning building, but returned after a diamond ring was lost.

Don't Forget.

While you are making merry and enjoying yourself during the Holidays you should not forget the grand ball, supper and reception by the Rescue Hook & Ladder Company at the opera house, Dec. 31st. Get your ticket from any member of the committee and be sure you attend. The music will be excellent and you can enjoy that even if you do not dance.

Thanks.

We desire to extend our heartfelt thanks to the many kind friends who so generously assisted us during our affliction caused by the death of our beloved daughter and sister Maudie. MR. AND MRS. L. T. HACKETT AND FAMILY.

New Hotel.

James Mundy, formerly of Emporium, has located on First Fork, where he has purchased a farm and intends embarking in the hotel business. He wants to keep posted, therefore orders the PRESS to his address.

Hirsch, the jeweler, is displaying a fine line of ladies' gold pens and holders, watches, chains, gold rings, necklaces, etc.

A Great Reduction Sale!

In order to reduce stock so that I can have room for my large stock of fall goods, I will clean out my immense line, covering two large floors and a large ware room, at very low prices. Having had an unprecedented sale of goods this season, for the reason that I sell

BETTER GOODS FOR LESS MONEY

than others. (not cheap trash, but good goods at low prices.) As it is impossible for me to quote prices on all my goods, I will just give you few as samples:

- GOOD HARD WOOD BEDS, \$2.00.
- FINE COTTON TOP MATTRESSES, . . . \$2.00.
- BED SPRINGS AT \$2.00.
- ROCKING CHAIRS FROM 75c UP.

Bedroom Suites, solid oak, at the very lowest prices. Bureaus, Chiffoniers, Book Cases, Hall Racks, Carpets, Linoleum, Oil Cloth—in fact everything that goes to make up a first-class Furniture Store. Don't take my word for it; don't take anybody else's word for it, but come and see for yourself and be convinced that this is the

CHEAPEST PLACE TO BUY GOODS IN THE STATE.

Being in the Furniture business in this town for many, many years, our reputation for reliable goods and honest dealing is too well known to need further mention and if you need anything in the furniture line, get our prices before purchasing.

BIG BRICK BLOCK, Cor. Fourth and Chestnut Sts.

GEO. J. LaBAR.

Store News.

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.

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.
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.

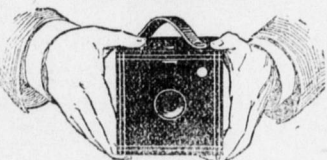
Golf and Plush Capes.

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.
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.

M. C. TULIS.

EASTMAN'S KODAK



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.

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.



HARRY S. LLOYD.