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## Great Clearance Sale.

COMMENCING

Saturday, January 19, 1901,

WE WILL CLOSE OUT OUR ENTIRE STOCK OF

Ladies and Misses Coats, Capes and  
Jackets,  
REGARDLESS OF COST.

It is not our custom to carry over Garments from season to season, thus assuring our patrons of always getting the latest and newest styles. We give our customers this opportunity of securing these wonderful bargains.

THESE GOODS MUST ALL BE SOLD.

M. C. TULIS.

## 30 Day Bargain Sale

—AT—

JASPER HARRIS'

## Clothing House...

We are determined to close out our entire stock at once and those desiring to avail themselves of

These Wonderful Bargains should call at once.

Everything Goes at Sacrifice Prices

Never Such Bargains!

Call and see—that's the Pudding of the dish.

JASPER HARRIS,

Opposite Post-Office,

Emporium, Pa.

### Letters from the People.

[All communications under this head must be accompanied by the writer's name. We will not be held responsible for any expression in this department.]—HARRIS.

#### True Figures.

EDITOR PRESS:

So much has been said in the Emporium papers relative to the cost of electric light that we desire to call the attention of your readers to the cost of electric lighting in some of the principal cities where they use hundreds, and even thousands, of lights. The figures are taken from the Philadelphia Record of Feb. 11th:

The following table gives the prices for light during the last fiscal year in some of the leading cities:

City.	No. of lights.	Hours burned per y'r.	Per 'amp per y'r.
Albany.....	650	4000	\$124.10
Baltimore....	1391	4000	127.75
Boston.....	2365	3931	127.75
Chicago.....	531	3850	137.50
Cincinnati...	3300	4000	84.90
Cleveland...	890	3790	87.50
Denver.....	950	4000	124.10
Indianapolis.	1158	4000	85.00
Jersey City..	1326	4000	99.00
Los Angeles.	823	4000	60.00
Louisville...	1523	4000	84.00
Milwaukee...	1412	4000	92.00
Newark.....	1689	4000	98.00
New Haven..	491	4000	91.25
New Orleans.	1626	3850	127.75
New York...	4392	3850	146.00
Omaha.....	334	4000	114.00
Paterson....	740	4000	102.00
Philadelphia.	7832	4235	111.32
Pittsburg...	2400	4000	96.00
Providence..	1870	4000	127.75
Richmond...	533	4000	59.40
Rochester...	2290	4000	91.25
S'n Francisco	786	3243	127.50
Scranton...	610	4000	73.00
St. Louis...	2610	3908	74.95
St. Paul....	395	4000	96.00
Syracuse...	1200	4000	91.25
Toledo.....	1100	4000	83.00
Washington.	658	4000	72.00
Worcester...	647	3850	116.80

#### Give us More Figures.

To start with let us say, that in many instances one shows the white feather by not attaching his name to his articles intended for publication, but we must admit that this question has two sides to it, as well as other questions, and in many ways it is proper to omit the name; for instance, it gives anyone perfect freedom to answer without fear of offending or being partial or impartial in his views on account of the probable friendship existing between the opponents. Personalities should be omitted in all cases so far as any unpleasantness is concerned.

The writer, as well as many others, perhaps, has not forgotten the endless display of figures given by those favoring electric light, and among them we will refer to a statement made by Dr. Bardwell in the Press of Dec. 13, 1900, in which he shows us figures from five towns where each arc light costs from \$6.50 to \$10; six towns that pays all expenses—street lights free; one town more than pays expenses, and four towns puts from \$340.00 to \$900.00 in their treasuries. The above towns average the size of Emporium. Besides this, other gentlemen have given us scores of reliable figures, showing what other towns have done by way of putting in and operating electric light plants on economical plans.

This matter of continually asking for more figures reminds us of Pat O'Hagen who made four wishes to be granted by a fairy: 1st: he wished for all the whiskey in the world; 2d: all the houses in the world; 3d: all the land and waters. Then he was stuck, and after some hard thinking, he said, "I guess I'll take some more whiskey." Therefore if it is figures you want, and you are not yet satisfied, please sit down and enumerate these: 97+382160+25+1111+12717+2586321+111.

#### An Appreciated Gift.

On Tuesday Mr. W. L. Sykes of Galeton, in behalf of the Emporium Lumber Co., presented the Hospital with a check of \$100. The gift will be greatly appreciated. Mr. Sykes is vice-president of the Hospital and takes a great interest in its work.—Austin Republican.

### SERIOUS WRECK.

#### One Man Killed and Twenty Cars Demolished.

Yesterday morning about three o'clock a freight train coming east wrecked near Rathbun. Thomas Bowers, of Renovo, was killed and twenty cars completely demolished. An axle broke near the middle of the train, where brakeman Bowers stood. Wrecking crews were promptly on hand and at one o'clock discovered Bowers' body under the wreck, frightfully mangled. He was a widower, but leaves two children who reside at Tyrone. All traffic between this place and DuBois until yesterday evening. It was not only a serious but a very expensive accident to the P. & E. R. R.

#### Emmanuel Church Lenten Services.

Ash-Wednesday, February 20th, 10:30 a. m., Morning Prayer and Penitential Office.

Daily services as follows:  
4:30 p. m., on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.  
7:30 p. m., on Wednesdays and Fridays.

A cordial invitation is extended to all to be present at these services.

At the Wednesday and Friday evenings services there will be lectures on the history of the English Church; at the afternoon services, devotional readings.

On Sunday afternoons at 4:30 o'clock there will be a class for the study of the English Church History under the direction of Mr. Chas. T. Logan. Text Book: Hutton's Elementary History of the Church in Great Britain. (E. S. Gorham, 22d St. and 4th Ave, New York, 30c.)

J. M. ROBERTSON, Rector.

#### Pound Party a Success.

The Pound Party at Odd Fellows Hall, last Monday evening was a success, the ladies having the matter in charge receiving a large contribution of provisions and money. The musical, literary and graphophone entertainment was pleasing.

#### Fire at Eldred.

Eldred was visited by a \$12,000 fire early last Tuesday morning. Their excellent fire department saved a large amount of property.

#### BRIEF MENTION.

Emporium is composed of the largest hearted and most charitable people in the State.

The collection for missions was lifted at M. E. Church last Sabbath and was an advance over last year.

Hay shippers and balers are scouring the country for hay at \$10 and \$11 per ton in the barn, and find little at that price. Farmers are holding on for better prices and it looks as though they would get them. In the Pittsburg vicinity hay is worth from \$15 to \$17 per ton.—Meadville Star.

A new postoffice ruling has just gone into effect, imposing a fine of \$50 or one year imprisonment for any one who through carelessness or otherwise takes mail not belonging to them from the office and fails to return it immediately. This applies to newspapers as well as letters.

Wednesday evening, Feb. 6, the L. O. T. M's of Silver Star hive at Sterling Run, had the pleasure of entertaining fourteen of the lady Bee's from the Gladolia Hive, Emporium. After the regular review, refreshments were served and all report a pleasant time. The visiting ladies were: Mesdames Armstrong, Butler, Devon, Hackett, Halderman, Hennessey, Housler, Huffman, Munsell, Schouten, Schwartz, Warner, Winfield and Miss Lulu Lewis.

#### Never Had a Cold

since I began carrying a package of Krause's Cold Cure Capsules in my vest pocket. I take one whenever I feel a cold coming on. It's easy. Price 25c. Sold by L. Taggart. Feb

### A Reply to Mr. Howard's Open Letter.

MY DEAR MR. HOWARD:—I have read your "Open Letter" in the Press of Feb'y 7th, and beg to reply through the same medium.

In answer to your question as to why I do not give some figures besides my own, I must say that if you do not belong to that class of men of whom the "Good Book" says, "Eyes they have but they see not, ears have they but they hear not," or words to that effect, you surely can not in sincerity ask such a question as this. I can not answer this question better than to refer you to the CAMERON COUNTY PRESS of Dec. 13th, 1900, where you will find at top of first column on first page an article fairly bristling with figures, none of which were mine, but were furnished by the officials of the towns mentioned. This article, signed and contributed by your humble servant, was over one-half column in length, and how it escaped your vision is truly wonderful. These figures showed cost of electric street lights in sixteen small towns about the size of Emporium, and all those towns own their own plants and sell incandescents to private consumers. I did not give Mr. Sampson's figures for the reason that they refer to a private company and I did not care to fill the pages of the Press with statistics of a second-hand, watered plant, built and watered to unload on the borough. There is no proposition before the house, my dear Sir, to put in any such a company or such a plant in Emporium. You may examine the original letters if you choose.

Really, my friend, you must pardon me if I am not able to see any connection between the fact of your having attended night school at Williamsport and my assertion that \$50 per year is ample remuneration for keeping the accounts of the light plant. This work, of course, should be done by the borough treasurer, and so little onerous will be the task that I very much doubt Mr. Lloyd's acceptance of more than \$50 per year even if it were offered him.

As to the \$30.00 per year for repairs; I am informed by the General Manager of the Williamsport Electrical Construction Co., that one dollar per year per arc is a fair allowance for repairs. I have noted the figures published by Council, as you request. My! Josiah! but this is terrible! You have struck an average, and say you have deducted all income for lights sold to the people. Do you not realize how misleading this statement is although literally correct? "The letter killeth." Do you not know that of these four plants only one, Watsontown, sells any lights? Do you not know that of these four towns only two own their own plants? Do you not at once recognize the futility of figuring an average on four such dissimilar plants and then publishing this average as the probable cost of a plant built on a plan perfected during the past two years, and said by all electricians to run at an expense of less than two-thirds that of any standard 2000 c. p. arc ever built? Could you add the cost of two saw mills to the cost of two hub factories and by finding the average cost determine the expense of putting a furniture factory in operation? Averages in electric light affairs are always misleading and usually utterly worthless. Ask any electrician as to this.

I have no reason to doubt the correctness of figures published by council, but I do object most strenuously to the unwarranted use you make of them. Titusville is fully four times as large as Emporium in population and in area. With, as a consequence, four times as many poles and wires to put up. We will say, however, that Emporium 40 arc plant should cost one-half as much to run as the 120 arc plant in Titusville. We shall receive at least \$750.00 per year for incandescents bringing the cost down to \$1,350 per year. We shall use enclosed arcs which cost three-eighths less than standard arcs, leaving \$843.75—cost of our borough lights according to this statement.

Now turn to Watsontown. According to your own figures Watsontown has 33 arcs and 1,400 incandescents; it costs \$259 per month to operate the plant, each costing \$48 each per year after deducting incandescents. Why not follow these figures to their logical conclusion: Cost \$259 per month is \$3,108 per year. 33 arcs at \$48 is \$1,584 cost of arcs. \$3,108 less \$1,584 is \$1,524 cost per year of 1,400 incandescents, hence Watsontown sells 16 c. p. lights at about nine cents per month each. These lights at our price of 25c per month each would bring in \$4,200.00 per year, and so far from the arcs costing \$48 each Watsontown would get her street lights free and put \$1,092 each year in her treasury. If you wish to reduce the number of incandescents to about the number proposed in Emporium for comparison you must at the same time reduce the \$3,108 per year expenses, as the plant is three times as large as our proposed plant solely by reason of the 1,400 incandescents.

More figures for me, did you say, Mr. Howard? Fetch 'em along, fetch 'em along, and I shall do my best to straighten 'em out for you while you wait.

Yours sincerely,  
E. O. BARDWELL.

### WEATHER REPORT.

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

### Voters Remember.

Voters should remember that figures relating to cost or operation of any old, worthless, broken down, second-hand light plants, similar to that at Jersey Shore for instance, have nothing to do with our business, as no such plant is contemplated here.

E. O. BARDWELL.

### Denial.

It being currently reported that I am about to assume my old position at the Furniture Factory, I wish to inform patrons and friends that such is not the case. Though being interested in it, will place me in position to serve the public better than ever before. Watch our announcement.

BERNARD EGAN,  
Manager Emporium Furniture Co.

### A. F. Vogt's Patent.

A. F. Vogt's patent lumberman's cork rubber is attracting considerable attention from the manufacturers of rubber goods and he is receiving numerous calls for samples. Why not organize a home company and manufacture the popular article here? It will no doubt be a money maker, being the only known rubber that will hold a cork, attached to an insole of leather and felt.

### The Thespians Coming.

The State College Thespian Club, composed of twenty-three students have consented to give an entertainment in Emporium, Saturday evening, Feb. 23d, for the benefit of Firemen's Fund. They will present two plays, "David Garrick," and "Lend Me Five Shillings," an unusually strong cast of ten men, in addition to a mandolin club of ten members.

Since the gentlemen have kindly offered their services to our firemen it is hoped our citizens will give them a royal reception.

### Mothers' Meeting.

A Mothers' Meeting will be held in the High School room in Emporium, Saturday, Feb. 23 at 2:30 p. m. Special announcement will be sent to each home as far as can be done, but owing to the difficulty in securing a correct list of the mothers of the town, it is probable that some will be omitted in the special announcement.

Inasmuch as the meeting is in the interest of the school children it is earnestly requested that ever mother will make a special effort to be present.

The following questions will be discussed: (1)—Cigarette Smoking. (2)—Home Study. (3)—Regularity and Punctuality. (4)—Physical care of the child as it affects the mental and moral development. 51-2t

### The Experience of Other Towns With Electric Light.

Watsontown borough owns its electric light plant. Population, 2,000. They have 33 arc lights and 1400 incandescents lights. Their plant cost \$11,307. It costs \$259 per month to operate it. They use coal for fuel. Net cost of each arc light per annum is about \$48. Plant was built in 1898.

Milton, Pa., population 6,200, buy their lights. They have 60, 2000 c. p. arc, and pay \$72 per light per annum.

Titusville, Pa., population 9000, own their electric light plant. They have 120 arc lights. The plant cost \$18,000. It costs \$4,200 per annum to operate it. They use gas for fuel. Net cost per annum is \$35.

DuBois, Pa., population about 10,000, buy their light. They have 68 arc lights, 1,200 incandescents and pay \$65 per light per annum.

Coudersport, Pa., population 3,500, buy their light. They have 22, 2,000 c. p. Brush Standard lamps. They pay \$55 per light per annum for 12 arc lights and \$80 per light per annum for 10 arc lights. They say, "the Company has never more than paid expenses, but expect to with the new gas engines. They want a new contract with the borough for about 25 arc lights at \$80 per year each."

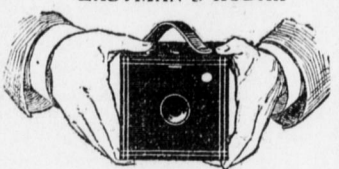
Jersey Shore, Pa., population 3,500, buy their lights. They have 21, 1,600 c. p. arc lights. They pay \$20 per annum. They say, "an electric light plant without duplicate machinery is a very uncertain thing. The borough has been trying to run this plant for the last six months, and we have done it at a loss of \$150 per month."

The foregoing are all the towns which have replied to our questions and who light their streets with electric lights.

C. JAY GOODNOUGH,  
Secretary Council.

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HARRY S. LLOYD.

