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Sayre Pa.

Santa Claus Opens Headquarters Here for Bradford County, Pa., and Tioga County, N.Y.

THERE is no waiting for selections, almost all lines are complete. Still new arrivals mark each day's incoming express. No doubt at all about the Big Store being helpful to the person wishing to save time, money and enjoy modern facilities without going to a city three or four times the size of Sayre for equal selections and for prices.



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See samples of our juvenile selections in Lockhart street window.

Santa Claus Letter Box

on Street Floor near basement stairway, where children send letters to Saint Nick.

Here Are Some Suggestions That Will Be Helpful to You

Dry Goods Dept

A Beautiful Line of New Silks, Devas Goods, Waists, Gloves, Hosiery, Umbrellas, Women's Necker-ties, Christmas Stationery, Kimonos, Dressing Sacques, Fine Lingerie, Bath Robes, Flannel and Silk Petticoats, Linen Handkerchiefs, Table Linens, Linen Sets, Ribbons, Lace, Towels, Wool Blankets, Comfortables, Cotton Dress Fabrics, Bath Blankets, Linen Lunch Cloths, Dollies, Holiday Aprons, Women's Underwear, Infants' Cloaks, Bonnets, Sacques, Shoes, Etc.

Miscellaneous

Books, Bibles, Wrist Bags, Novelties, Cut Glass, Comb and Brush Sets, Pocket Books, Music Rolls, Baby Baskets, Hampers, Waste Paper Baskets, Framed Pictures, Ink Stands, Jewel Cases, Mirrors, Perfumes, Toilet Articles, Fans, Belts, Jewelry, Clocks, Hat Pins

Furniture Dept

Parlor Furniture, Dining Room Furniture, Comb. Writing Desk & Case, China and Music Cabinets, Oak Bedroom Sets, Library Chairs and Tables, Reed Rockers, Office Chairs, Couches, Day-spreads, Brass and Iron Beds, Children's High Chairs, Gill's Chairs, Morris Chairs, Bidebonais, Buffets, Seasonal Bookcases, Hall Racks, Children's Dressing Tables, Large and Small Mirrors

Crockery Dept

Dinner Sets, Tea Sets, Vases, Lamps, Toilet Sets, Etc.-a-brac

Toys Toys Toys

Hook and Ladders, Building Blocks, Dramas, Steam Engines, Castles, Trains of Cars, Iron Wagons, Police Patrols, Tea Sets, Mechanical Toys, Dolls, Magic Lanterns, Banks, Safes, Games, Etc.

Men's Furnishings

Kid Gloves, Wool Gloves, Mitts, Xmas Neckwear, Umbrellas, Suspenders, House Coats, Bath Robes, Night Shirts, Dress Shirts, Collars, Cuffs, Coat Buttons, Men's and Boys' Sweaters, Suit Cases, Trunks, Bags, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Shaving Stands, Wardrobe and Steamer, Trunks

Home Furnishing Dept

A Handsome Assortment of Carpets, Rugs, Art Squares, Carpet Sweepers, Linoleum, Door Mats, Art Goods Dept

The Christmas Line Ready

Nancy Pin Cushions, Pillow Tops, Fancy Pillows, Picture-Frames, Stamped Linens, Pillow Shams, Eureka Silk, Lyon Brand Yarns, Pillow Cases, Fancy Baskets, Photography Outfits and Stamped Pieces of all sorts

We are informed by Supt. Kinney that the L. V. R. R. Co. will give excursion rates, of single fare, between Tunkhannock and Geneva, on Friday and Saturday of each week from now on until Christmas. This is an additional inducement to you to do your shopping at the Big Store.

Beginning Saturday Evening 8th, We Will Keep Open Evenings Till Xmas

ATHENS.

Mrs. Dora Tyler went to Wyalusing this morning to visit relatives.

J. W. Beaman and wife returned from Philadelphia last evening.

A Baraca class was organized by the young men of the Baptist church recently.

Mrs. Jane Farr has been the guest of her son, Wm. Farr and returned to her home this morning.

A social will be held at William Weller's, East Athens next Tuesday evening for the benefit of the Baptist church.

L. E. Conrad went to Meshoppen this morning to attend the funeral of his wife's mother, Mrs. B. B. Dunlap. Mrs. Conrad went last evening.

Stewart Esenwine and Arthur Wright of Burlington, have been visiting at the home of Jay Harris, East Athens, returning home this morning.

The Choral club will meet at the M. E. church Tuesday evening next for rehearsal.

Mrs. Hattie I. Hines went to Buffalo today to visit her daughter, Mrs. Myra Johnson who is in the hospital for an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl of Colley, Pa. have been the guests of Mrs. Earle's mother, Mrs. Harriet Hines and returned home today.

Rev. Ora F. Gardner of the senior class at Auburn Theological seminary will preach at the Presbyterian church tomorrow morning and evening. He will be entertained at the home of Geo. A. Lamkin while in Athens.

A delegation of eight from Athens, Sayre and Waverly Camps, P. O. S. of A. went to Towanda last evening to help the Towanda Camp celebrate their 59th anniversary. The exercises were very enjoyable and full of patriotic fervor. Rev. Will A. Kelley made a spirited address that was highly appreciated. A. C. Dorn and Fred Brainard were representatives of the Athens Camp.

FREEBORN LEGACY

AWAKENS INTEREST.

Interesting Inquiry as to the Donor's Liberty.

A CHICAGO TRAGEDY.

Dr. Benjamin Harris Fatally Shot by A. C. Campbell, L. Lumberman.

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—Dr. Benjamin Harris, a retired physician, who came to this city one year ago from Antigo, Wis., was shot and fatally wounded by A. C. Campbell, a lumber dealer of that town. The shooting took place in the Stock Exchange building and created much excitement. Campbell made no effort to escape.

The tragedy was the outcome of a domestic trouble. The wife of Dr. Harris some time ago secured a divorce from her husband, alleging his attentions to Mrs. Campbell. After the granting of the Harris divorce Campbell commenced proceedings for a separation from his wife, and it was in connection with that matter that he visited Chicago.

He was in the office of an attorney awaiting Mrs. Harris, who was to make a deposition regarding the conduct of Mrs. Campbell in the previous suit. Harris suddenly stepped into the room where Campbell was sitting. The latter at once sprang to his feet and fired at Harris. The physician placed his hand across his chest, and the bullet tore through it and passed almost entirely through Harris' body. Campbell fired repeatedly, four bullets taking effect.

Campbell told the police that Harris became acquainted with Mrs. Campbell while practicing as a physician and that he became very attentive to her afterward. He said that he was so enraged at the sight of Harris that he lost all control of himself and commenced firing as soon as he saw him.

Dwarf Trees as Ornaments. French horticulturists have apparently been very successful of late in raising dwarf trees, and one of the features of dinner parties among the rich now is to serve the fruit upon the tree.

For Young Men's Guidance. The best rules to form a young man are, to talk little, to hear much, to reflect alone upon what has passed in company, to distrust one's own opinions, and value others that deserve it.—Sir W. Temple.

Why the Dot Over "i" The small letter "i" was formerly written without the dot; the dot was introduced in the 14th century to distinguish "i" from "e" in hasty and indistinct writing.

Peculiarity of Cats' Fur. Cats' fur has no oily substance in it, and consequently is more easily wetted through than that of most other animals.

Growth of the Fingernails. For a fingernail to reach its full length, an average of seven-twelfths of an inch, from 121 to 158 days of growth are necessary.

The Paul-Finders. The neighbor who is always wanting to find fault never finds one.

TUNER ART EXHIBIT

ATtracting Interest. Drew Fair Crowd Last Night, But Attendance Should Be Better.

Athens—The attendance at the Turner Art Exhibition last evening was good but we suggest that tonight it ought to be very much better. It is a matter that should receive great encouragement from all who have the interest of our schools at heart and the benefit to the school is conditioned on the amount received from the admissions and pictures sold. Let there be a rousing good attendance tonight. There will be a good program of music in addition to the picture display. The following is tonight's program:

The exhibit will open at 9 o'clock a. m. and continue all day. 7:30—Piano Solo, "Harp Sounds"—Mayer.

"North Song"—Schuman—Harold Sutton. 7:45—Piano Duet, Selected, "Hurrying to School"—Gimlett—Mildred Jordan and Louise Lamkin.

8:00—Violin Solo, Zampa, Translated—R. Bohne—Bernard Atkins, Sayre, Pa. 8:20—Piano Duet, Selected—Alta Tucker and Miss Murray.

9:00—Piano Solo, Selected—Miss Louise Murray. Cash subscriptions to the picture fund will be much appreciated.

HOPE COMPANY

ELECTED OFFICERS.

At a Meeting Held in Protection' Last Night. Athens—The following officers were elected at the meeting of Protection hose company No. 1 last evening: President—A. R. Brown. Vice President—Chas. E. Finch. Secretary—J. C. Blackwell. Treasurer—R. R. Francke. Foreman—F. K. Harris. 1st Asst. Foreman—J. T. Sanford. 2d Asst. Foreman—Jessie Childs. Delegate to Five County Convention—A. S. Maurice. Alternate—F. K. Harris. Member of Fire Board—Geo. P. Macafee. Member of Firemen's Relief—D. A. Keefe.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Closing Stock Quotations.

Money on call stringent at 15 to 20 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 6 1/2 to 7 per cent. Exchanges, \$32,819,477; balances, \$1,147,025. Closing prices: Amal. Copper, 114 N. Y. Central, 124 1/4. Atchafson, 104 1/2. Norf. & West., 92. B. & O., 118 1/4. Penn. R., 128 1/2. Reading, 118 1/4. Rock Island, 214. C. & C. & St. L., 57 1/2. U. S. Steel, 118 1/2. Ches. & Ohio, 57 1/2. St. Paul, 113 1/4. Chi. & North., 20 1/2. Southern Pac., 34. D. & H., 43 1/2. Southern Ry., 24 1/2. Ill. Central, 43 1/2. South. Ry. pt., 24 1/2. Gen. Electric, 124 1/2. Sugar, 11 1/2. Lacksawanna, 17 1/2. Texas Pacific, 27 1/2. L. & N., 40 1/2. Union Pacific, 128 1/2. Louisville, 14 1/2. U. S. Steel, 118 1/2. Manhattan, 14 1/2. U. S. Steel, 118 1/2. Int.-Met., 14 1/2. U. S. Steel, 118 1/2. Missouri Pac., 37 1/2.

New York Markets.

FLOUR—Steady, but slow; Minnesota patents, \$4.10 1/2 to \$4.20; winter straight, \$3.90 to \$4.00; winter extras, \$2.90 to \$3.00. WHEAT—Owing to better Liverpool cables, small Argentine shipments and strength in the northwest wheat ruled steady to firm during the early session; May, \$2.10 1/2 to \$2.15. BUTTER—State, dairy, tubs, fresh, fancy, 24 1/2 to 25 1/2; creamery, extra, 24 1/2 to 25 1/2; old roosters, 19 1/2 to 20 1/2; large, 14 1/2 to 15 1/2; fair to good, 14 1/2 to 15 1/2. EGGS—Fresh gathered, extra, per dozen, 18 to 19; fresh gathered, extra, per dozen, 18 to 19. CALLOW—Dull; city, 6 1/2 to 6 3/4; country, 5 1/2 to 6. HAY—Firm; shipping, 7 1/2 to 8; good to choice, \$11. STRAW—Quiet; long rye, 5 1/2 to 6. LIVE POULTRY—Dull and lower; chickens, 10 1/2 to 11; ducks, 12 1/2 to 13; turkeys, 15 1/2 to 16. DRESSED POULTRY—Steady, fair demand; turkey, choice, 18 1/2 to 19; fair to good, 18 1/2 to 19; old roosters, 14 1/2 to 15; turkeys, choice to fancy western, 12 1/2 to 13; fair to good, 12 1/2 to 13; spring ducks, nearby, 12 1/2 to 13; old ducks, 12 1/2 to 13.

R. D. Williams, FURS. SAYRE, PA. FURS. New Lot of Stylish Furs JUST RECEIVED Squirrel Sets \$10.50 to \$25.00. Last Year's Furs at Bargain Prices Ask About Our Guarantee Against Moth.

DOLLS. Dolls from One cent to \$3.00. China Dolls, Bisque Dolls, Rubber Dolls, Indestructible Dolls, Celluloid Dolls from 10c to \$1.25. Dressed Dolls, Doll Heads, Paper Doll Outfits, 4 lbs of Coffee and a Doll for \$1. We are showing a large assortment of Doll Carriages and Go Carts, 19c to \$5.00. Also Blackboards, Sleds, Carts, Children's Rockers, Shockflies and other Wooden Toys. A large line of Fancy Goods just put out. All kinds of prices. Handkerchief, Glove, and Cuff Boxes, Stamp Boxes, Manicure Sets, Ash Trays, Pin Trays, etc. You will find in this store a great variety of beautiful things from which to choose your Holiday Gifts and also full lines of Staple goods. Special in Gey Enameled Ware. 14 qt. Dish Pans for 25c. 10 & 11 in. Pie Tins 10c. Gregg's Racket Store, Cor. Broad St. and Park Ave., Waverly.

It's Not Too Late ELMER A. WILBER, Wholesaler of Wines, Beer and Ales. OUR SPECIALTIES LEHIGH CLUB WHISKEY, BUTTER WEICH BEER and ALES, NORWICH BREWING CO'S. ALES. 106 Packer Avenue, SAYRE, PA. BOTH TROCK. R. H. DRISLANE, Contractor and Builder Plans and Estimates Furnished 210 Miller St. Sayre, Pa. A. E. BAKER, Carpenter and Builder. 17 Pleasant St. Waverly, N. Y. CHEERFUL HOME FURNACE which can't be beaten. Plumbing, Heating and Tin work. Gas Fixtures, Burners and Glassware.

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Murphy & Blish, CLOTHIERS, TAILORS & HATTERS. "What do you think of my historical novel?" asked the author. "It is an achievement," answered the chilly critic. "You have at last succeeded in showing that fiction may be stronger than truth."—Washington Star. Generally Wins. Mr. Thinkum—Whenever there is trouble in this world there is a woman at the bottom of it. Mrs. Strongmind—That may be, but you can't deny that when the trouble is over the woman is on top.—N. Y. Weekly. Made Her Suspect. Mr. McComb—What was it that made you think I'd been drinking last night? Mrs. McComb—Oh, I don't know. I suppose the fact that you were fearfully drunk had as much to do with it as anything.—Cleveland Leader. They Came High. "It strikes me," said the lady with the family-said market basket, "that your vegetables are rather high." "Naturally," she said, "regard the new year. They've taken on a few good ones."

The "UNIVERSAL" Coffee Percolator. A Christmas gift that brings good cheer to all the family. Makes a pure and healthful beverage by filtering the water through the ground coffee before the boiling point is reached. To boil coffee is to bring out the bitterness—the unwholesome properties. To make it in the "Universal" is to leave it pure and healthful. Delicately and sweetly. For Sale By BOLICH BROS., Sayre, Pa.

WANTED HORSES AND CATTLE DEAD OR ALIVE. Will pay \$1.00 a head at the barn or \$2.00 delivered—with hides on. All calls promptly attended to day or night. Valley telephone at store. Bell telephone in house. J. H. DUNLAP, Susquehanna St., Athens, Pa.

Maynard, Maynard & Schrier, Attorneys and Counselors. M. F. A. Block, Sayre, Pa. Maynard Block, Athens, Pa.

Mandolin Teacher. Will be in Sayre on Saturday, each week, which time I will devote to the instruction of pupils on the mandolin. Studio: Room 2, Richard block, over postoffice. For further particulars address Edwin F. Loomis, Athens, Pa.

J. M. ASHTON, General Contractor and Builder. Plans and Estimates Furnished. Valley Phone 125. Residence 206 Chestnut Street, Sayre, Pa.

TRADE CONDITIONS. R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Business Review. NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: Lower temperature has stimulated retail trade in seasonal staples, but interest is most conspicuous in holiday goods. Expectations of a record breaking demand for Christmas specialties are being fully realized. Jobbing and wholesale houses are doing well for the season, but reports of mercantile collections show much irregularity. Improvement in the promptness of payments is expected when the crops have been more fully marketed and greater ease appears in money rates, which are far above normal despite the fact that the total amount in circulation exceeds all records.

Railway earnings in November surpassed those of the same month last year by 7.5 per cent, yet the movement of freight is restricted by inadequate facilities, causing much trouble in other industries. Very little idle machinery is noticed in the factories and mills except where the supply of labor and raw material is insufficient, and the vigorous demand for all commodities is indicated by the highest level of prices in recent years. Liabilities of failures in manufacturing and trading lines were about \$1,000,000 less than in November, 1905, but insurance and banking losses were heavier this year.

Foreign commerce at this port for the last week showed decreases of \$110,531 in exports and \$94,849 in imports as compared with the movements a year ago. Dealings in securities were restricted by call money that ruled at 15 to 20 per cent and short term time loans at 8 per cent, yet there was an increase of 3.1 per cent in bank exchanges at New York. At other leading cities the average gain amount ed to 8.8 per cent.

Commercial failures for the week were 233 against 192 last week, 264 the preceding week and 232 the corresponding week last year. Hated to Give It Up. Patience—It's all off between me and Will. Patrice—Engagement broken? "Yep." "I'm sorry." "Well, you needn't be. Only I've found out that he's not a man of his word!" "Indeed!" "Yes; why only a week ago he said he'd give up anything for me, and now the hateful old thing wants this ring back!"—Yonkers Statesman.

Easy to See. The Lady—You'll excuse me, but you don't travel on this car line often, do you sir? The Gentleman—No, madam. How do you know? The Lady—You gave me your seat. The Gentleman—And you don't travel on this line often yourself? The Lady—What makes you think so? The Gentleman—You looked so nervous.

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