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Republican Committee Meeting.

There will be a meeting of the Republican Standing Committee for Sullivan Co., held at Laporte Pa. on Monday Feb. 28th at one p. m. in the grand jury room for the purpose of arranging for the holding of the primaries and county convention and any other business that may properly come before said Committee. It is the desire of the Chairman that there be a full attendance at this meeting as it is of much importance to the organization; following is a list of Committeemen and the precincts they represent; Bernice, Nelson Cox; Cherry, R. R. Hunsinger; Colley, A. W. Barnes; Davidson, D. W. Darling; Dushore, John Scher; Elkland, U. Bird; Forksville, S. W. Rogers; Forks Twp., J. L. Hattenstein; Fox, A. B. Kilmer; Hillsgrove, G. Edgar Darby; Jamison City, Norman Schuyler; Laporte Boro, W. C. Mason; Laporte Twp. J. S. Newman; Lopez, C. H. Jennings; Mt. Vernon, M. Edkins; Shrewsbury, R. W. Bennett; Ricketts John Miller.

A Little Problem From Life.

He begged a kiss. She frowned meditatively.

"A kiss," she said, "is an expression of sentiment. Placed upon the hand it signifies respect; upon the forehead, friendship; upon the lips, both—and more, or neither. Since you have asked it, you may express yourself in one kiss. Proceed."

He hesitated.

Through respect and friendship love may be reached. If he were too bold she— He hesitated. He gazed down into the grass and pondered swiftly. He tried to read her mood. He would place that one kiss upon her— He heard a trill as of many birds. He looked up.

She was whistling softly. Her hat was pulled down to her eyes, covering her forehead, and her hands were thrust deep into the pockets of her jacket.

Father Inconsistent.

Father—Come, young man, get your coat off and come with me.

Tommy—You're not going to lick me, are you, dad?

Father—Certainly. Didn't I tell you this morning that I would settle with you for your bad behavior?

Tommy—Yes, but I thought it was only a joke, like when you told the grocer you was going to settle with him.

Insulted Him.

Ferry—What was the matter with Johnson last night, that he should get insulted when I asked him to drink? He is not a total abstainer, is he?

Wallace—It was the way you put the question. He is subject to attacks of kleptomania, and when you asked him if he "wasn't beginning to feel like taking something" he got hurt, very naturally.

Why She Declined.

"Won't you take this seat?" said the gentleman in the car, rising and lifting his hat.

"No, thank you," said the girl with the skates over her arm. "I've been skating, and I'm tired of sitting down."

Mamma's Mistake.

"Mr. Millsaps," said little Tommy Tucker to the guest, "I don't see why mamma said I musn't say anything about your neck. You hain't got any neck!"

Kaiser William's Way.

I will give you just two hours  
To get down upon your knees—  
To put up your hands contritely,  
And to meekly murmur "Please!"  
I have warships in the ofing,  
So come down for all you're worth  
Or I'll set my war dogs on you,  
And I'll blow you off the earth.

I haven't time to parley,  
And I don't intend to wait;  
I have sailors in your harbor,  
I have soldiers at your gate!  
My demands, perhaps, are heavy,  
But I've made them—that's enough—  
I am William, and I never  
Stake my money on a bluff!

I am aching for a quarrel;  
I am spoiling for a fight,  
So you'd better kneel before me,  
Or I'll blow you out of sight!  
I am William—Kaiser William—  
God was present at my birth;  
He is still supreme in heaven—  
But I'm running things on earth.

How a Farmer Unwillingly Contributed Shoes for a Tramp.

As I sat on the veranda with the farmer after supper, I asked him if he was not greatly bothered by tramps, and his reply was:

"Wall, a good many of 'em come along and want a bite to eat, and some of 'em are pretty sassy, but only one man of 'em ever served me a real mean trick."

"Poison your dog?" I queried.

"It was meaner than that. We was eatin' dinner, one day in the spring when a hive of bees started to swarm. I'd been expectin' it and watchin' 'em and had a new hive ready. When bees swarm they will light on most anything handy—a limb, a bush or even the pump. Jest as the bees began to pour out of the hive and circle around, along comes a tramp up the path to ask for sunthin' to eat. The queen bee settled down on his old hat, and the hull swarm follered her. In two minits that tramp's head and shoulders was covered by bees, and I yells to him for heaven's sake not to try to fight 'em off or he'd be stung to death."

"He must have been terror-stricken," I said.

"Not a bit of it, sir. He was as cool as a cucumber, and when I told him he'd have to stand in a smudge till the bees was killed off he just laughed. When they'd all settled down on him and I was goin' to start a smudge, he sez:

"'Old man, what d'ye consider this swarm o' bees with in cold cash?'"

"'About \$5,' sez I."

"'Ar' ye willin' to give three?' sez he."

"'What fur?' sez I."

"'Bekase you'll either pay me \$3 or I'll walk off with the bizness and sell out to somebody else!'"

"'And you had to buy him off?'" I asked.

"'That's where the meanness came in,'" replied the farmer. "Them bees was my property, and I wasn't buyin' what was my own. He offered to take \$2, but I couldn't see how he could git away with 'em and refused to come down. Then he starts off. I reckoned the bees would get angry and sting him to death, but nuthin' happened. He jest walked out into the road and down the hill, and he carried them bees seven miles and sold 'em fur a new pair o' shoes."

"'And he wasn't stung?'"

"'Not once, sir. The bees seemed to like the smell o' him, and he paddled along the road as grand as you please. As fur tramps, I've had 'em lie and steal and set fire to straw stacks, but I ain't feelin' hard towards anybody but the feller who walked away with the bees."

## LAPORTE LIVERY AND BOARDING STABLES.

Connected with the Commercial Hotel. First-class Horses and Carriages.

Rates reasonable.

CHAS. COLEMAN, Prop.

## Fall and Winter Goods

You are invited to come here and inspect our new stock of Fall and Winter Goods which is by far the choicest collection considering style and quality for the price, ever this store asked people to look at.

## Winter Weight Underwear

for Men, Women and Children.

In conjunction with the inviting varieties, all prices will be found more than ordinarily small.

## Grocery Department

A new and fresh supply of Groceries have just arrived.

## Vernon Hull, Hillsgrove, Pa.

I am now putting up

EAVE TROUGHS that will not rust.

Send me your order or write for prices.

CUNNINGHAM'S

HARDWARE STORE  
DUSHORE.

## Something to know!

Our very large line of Latest patterns of Wall Paper with ceilings and border to match. All full measurements and all white backs. Elegant designs as low as 3c per roll.

## Window Shades

with roller fixtures, fringed and plain. Some as low as 10c; better, 25c, 35c, 50c.

## Elegant Carpets

rainging in prices 20c., 25c., 35c., 45c., and 68c.

## Antique Bedroom Suits

Full suits \$18.00. Woven wire springs, \$1.75.

Soft top mattresses, good ticks, \$2.50.

Feather pillows, \$1.75 per pair.

GOOD CANE SEAT CHAIRS for parlor use 3.75 set. Rockers to match, 1.25. Large size No. 8 cook stove, \$20.00; red cross ranges \$21. Tin wash boilers with covers, 49c. Tin pails—14qt, 14c; 10qt, 10c; 8qt, 8c; 2qt covered, 5c.

## Jeremiah Kelly, HUGHESVILLE.

## HAVING PURCHASED THE GRIST MILL Property

Formerly Owned by O. W. Mathers at this place

## I am Now Prepared

To Do All Kinds of Milling on Very Short Notice With W. E. Starr as Miller.

Please Give a Trial.

## FEED OF ALL KINDS ON HAND.

## W. E. MILLER,

FORKSVILLE, PA.

N. B. All parties knowing themselves indebted to me will confer a great favor by calling and paying the amount due, as I need money badly at once.

Respectfully yours,

W. E. MILL R.

## Spot Cash Purchase!!

We have purchased the entire stock of Children's Clothing from L. L. Berman New York City, which enables us to offer children's suits at nearly 50c on the dollar.

## Now is your chance

to buy suits for your children at lower prices than ever heard of before. Children's suits whice Berman made to wholesale at \$1.50, we are able to sell at 85c. Suits, age from 4 to 15, which Berman made to wholesale at \$2.50, our price \$2.25.

Best all wool childrens suits regular price \$4.50, our price 2.75. The finest Berman made to wholesale at \$5 and 6 00 our price 3 00. We have bought

## 2000 Children's Suits

and they will all go at a big sacrifice. You are all invited to come and see the wonderful bargains we are offering. It will pay you big to make your purchase now as you curely will not duplicate these bargains in the future. All the ladies'

## Coats and Capes

at less than half price. Big bargains in shoes and rubbers. A big reduction in overcoats.

Every article in the store we will sell this month at half price, as the season is advancing and we must have room for Spring and Summer goods.

You can save from 40 to 50 per cent on every purchase.

Jacob Per The Reliable Dealer in Clothing Boots and Shoes. HUGHESVILLE, PA.

## W.L.Hoffman's

HILLSGROVE  
Three Big Stores-- MUNCY VALLEY,  
PROCTOR, PA.

## February Clearance Selling.

If you are looking for the bargains of the year go at once to any of the above named stores where former values and prices are practically lost sight of in our determined efforts to dispose of the largest and best line of DRY GOODS and NOTIONS ever brought to this County.

## Extraordinary line of CORSETS

The lady who wishes the latest styles combined with high grade and half the old price should call and select from the complete line of sizes.

Unprecedented values given at these stores this month.

## JENNINGS BROS.

We keep in stock at our mills a complete line of dressed lumber in hemlock and hardwood.

MANUFACTURERS OF

Gang Sawd and Trimmed Lumber.

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SPECIALTIES

Hemlock Novelty or German Siding,  
Hemlock Ceiling 7-8 or 3-8 stick,  
Hemlock Flooring any width desired,  
Hemlock Lath both 3 and 4 feet long,  
Hardwood Flooring both Beech, Birch or Maple,  
The same woods in 3-8 ceiling.

CORRESPONDENCY SOLICITED.

## Buy Good Goods!

And you will be surprised how cheap they are in the end.

We have just unpacked such a stock of coats and capes to which we are pleased to call your special attention. We do not pretend to handle the cheapest coats in the market, but we do say we have the BEST and neatest fitting garments made. Our coats and capes are made to order, and in the latest styles with prices to suit everybody.

IN DRESS GOODS WE WERE NEVER BETTER PREPARED TO PLEASE YOU THAN AT THE PRESENT, AS WE HAVE THE LARGEST ASSORTMENT IN THAT LINE EVER DISPLAYED IN THE COUNTY.

Ladies and Misses, Boys and Men, you need not go half frozen this winter for we have plenty of underwear for you all, both in cotton or wool, red or gray and the prices are very low, so low that when you see the goods, you will be astonished that we are able to give you such bargains.

One word in regard to foot wear:

Our shoe department was never more complete and if you will favor us with your attention for a few minutes when in town we will convince you that we have the most carefully selected line of fine and heavy boots and shoes ever brought before the public. On crockery we have just received some very pretty designs in Decorated Dinner Sets to which we invite your attention.

The buying of country produce has always been a special feature of our Business, and we still continue in paying the highest cash prices for Butter Eggs and Wool.

E. G. SYLVARA, DUSHORE, PA.

## Some Shoe Surprises.

This is our surprise season. At this time of the year we must begin to think about our Spring stock, and make shelf-room for it.

That's why we cut shoe prices beyond recognition—that's why you are in luck if you need shoes now. You can buy two shoes for the price of one.

and we have every thing.

Clothing and Gents Furnishing Goods  
HATS, CAPS, TRUNKS and SHOES.  
We pay cash for ginseng root and MACKINTOSHES.

We are selling this section better shoes than were ever sold in profits. For the county before at half the usual price we quote is the lowest.  
HARRY HERR CO., MUNCY VALLEY, PA.