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Political Announcement.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff, subject to the will and regulations of the ensuing Republican County Convention.

J. H. BOHN, Dushore, Pa.

A Legend Destroyed.

"Another familiar legend," says the Critic, "has been relegated to the limbo of the untrue, and it is a question if there will be anything left for the next generation to pln its faith to. This time it is 'The Prisoner of Chillon,' beloved of and quoted by every school-girl. In the cell where the 'prisoner' languished so long there was shown a circle worn in the stones by his feet in walking round and round a pillar to which he was chained. M. Vuillet, one of the members of the grand council of Vaud, was horrified to find that, in repaving the cell, the 'Chemin de Bonivard,' one of the souvenirs and attractions of the country, had disappeared. He brought the matter before the council, and was chagrined to learn that the famous track had not been made by the captive whom Byron made famous, but had been industriously scraped by successive keepers."

Russia a Blind Nation.

There are more than twice as many blind persons in Russia as in the whole of the rest of Europe. They number 19,000, which is equivalent to two in every 1,000 of the population. It is believed that blindness in Russia is so prevalent because of the length of time which snow lies on the ground, and also owing to the uncleanly habits of the people. Among all this number only 200 or 300 are able to read, and only about 2,500 are cared for in institutions for the blind.

Two Natural Foes.

Water will extinguish a fire because the water forms a coating over the fuel, which keeps it from the air, and the conversion of water into steam draws off the heat from the burning fuel. A little water makes a fire fiercer, while a larger quantity of water puts it out. The explanation is that water is composed of oxygen and hydrogen. When, therefore, the fire can decompose the water into its simple elements it serves as fuel to the flame.

Popular in Drawing Rooms.

In drawing rooms, handsome silk damask curtains, made up with plain linings to match the predominant color in the damask, are most popular, although one often sees severe contrasts between curtains and lining, where bold effects are desired.

The Man for the Place.

"My fortune is made," he cried. "I will be rich beyond the wildest dreams of avarice. I shall start for the Klondike tomorrow. My chemistry will be my salvation."

"How so; have you discovered a compound that will aid in the detection of gold deposits?"

"No; I have invented a yeast that will make six loaves of bread from the flour ordinarily required for one."

"Can there be any possible harm in killing owls for women's hats?" exclaimed a New York milliner to a member of the Audubon Society the other day. "Of what use are the horrid creatures to anybody?"

The pretty milliner was quite surprised when told that owls were very useful birds. Owls eat the field mice, and other small rodents that work great injury to the farmer, and every one that is lost not only means a menace to the farmers, but a distinct loss to agriculture.

Dr. C. Hart Merriam, ornithologist of the United States Department of Agriculture, has estimated that in offering a bounty on owls and hawks, which resulted in the killing of more than 100,000, the State of Pennsylvania sustained a loss of nearly \$5,000,000 in one year and a half.

A striking example of Charles Dickens' chivalrous regard for an antagonist friend is recalled by Dean Farrar. Mr. Sims Reeves had been announced to sing at a small public dinner at which Dickens presided, and, as happened not infrequently, Mr. Sims Reeves had something the matter with his throat, and was unable to attend. Dickens announced this and the announcement was received with a general laugh of incredulity. This made Dickens very angry and he rose manfully to the defense of the delinquent. "My friend, Mr. Sims Reeves," he said quietly, "regrets his inability to fulfill his engagement, owing," he added with caustic severity, "to an unfortunately amusing and highly facetious cold."—The Bookman.

CRUISER VESUVIUS.

HER VALUE HAS BEEN CONCLUSIVELY PROVEN.

Naval Officers Who Formerly Doubted Now Her Strongest Advocates—Proof of Her Efficiency Given at Santiago—She May Throw Guccotton at Havana's Morro.

Some of those who have not believed in the value of the dynamite cruiser Vesuvius as an instrument of naval warfare are now among her strongest advocates since her wonderfully effective work against the defenses of Santiago. Admiral Sampson reported that the ship had thrown charges of guccotton ashore with the most satisfactory results and that her value in operating against fortifications has been of the highest character.

For years, ever since the completion of the vessel, in fact, the navy has been divided as to her usefulness in war time, and until some practical experiments could be made it was argued that it would be foolish to build more ships of her type. She was one of the early ships completed for the navy and the fastest in the service for many years, but she was always regarded as a failure except by a few officers who had tested her and had the amplest confidence that she would do everything she was designed for.

Her one great defect is her inability to turn rapidly, but this is owing to her extreme length and narrow beam. It is difficult for her to turn in a radius of less than 400 yards, although provided with twin screws. Naval officers have pointed out that another defect is the fact that her three tubes are stationary and can be trained only by the rudder. To train them therefore is sometimes a difficult matter in heavy seas. Down off the Cuban coast, though, the reports show that she has had apparently little trouble in hitting her targets and backing out of range in short order.

No opportunity has been afforded until the present, her advocates say, to prove the real efficiency of the ship, and the trials that have taken place heretofore were of such a nature as to prove nothing except the accuracy of her fire. Several years ago an extended series of trials was conducted off Port Royal and elaborate reports were made to the navy department, and the conclusion reached was that the Vesuvius was not of much value to the navy. Now all officers are willing to admit that she is a wonderfully efficient boat for certain classes of work and that her tubes have done more destruction to the outer harbor of Santiago than a bombardment by the entire fleet could have accomplished in a day. While it is an expensive process of inflicting destruction, the experts agree that it really costs far less than firing many broadsides of heavy shells against fortifications.

The tubes of the Vesuvius are of 15 inches calibre, but she has never yet fired the full charge they are capable of throwing. Sub-calibre charges of 5, 8, and 10-inch projectiles, containing from 200 to 500 pounds of guccotton, were used in the attacks on Santiago's defenses, and it is not regarded as probable that higher charges will be hereafter used by the ship.

Captain Sigsbee is one of the strongest believers in the Vesuvius in the navy next to Lieutenant-Commander Seaton Schroeder, who commanded her for several years. One of the first messages sent to the navy department after the Maine disaster was a request that the Vesuvius be at once ordered to Havana. If there was to be any trouble with Spain it was thought the Vesuvius could do more effective work by tossing several projectiles of guccotton into the city than larger vessels could in a bombardment. The Vesuvius was at once prepared for service.

The German Emperor.

William, Emperor of the Germans, has played a not unimportant part in



EMPEROR WILLIAM.

the newspaper representations of the Spanish-American War. The Presence of a fleet of German warships in Manila Bay was considered by many as an indication that Germany would not assent to American occupation of the Philippines.

He Walked.

Fat Citizen—"You're a pretty small chap to be runnin' an elevator, ain't you, bub?"

The Small Chap—"Yes, I guess I be. They hired me 'cause the darned rope broke so many times with the heavier elevator boys."

And the fat man walked.—Cleveland Plain Dealer

For the Fourth.

"We told little Dick he could choose his own birthday present."

"What did he choose?"

"He said he would take a soda fountain and a bass drum."—Chicago Record.

Political Card.

I hereby announce myself as an independent candidate for representative for Sullivan county, Pa., to make my botany bill, my jury reform bill and my free speech bill laws for the welfare of the people of the State. Fellow citizens, write my name on your tickets in the right column or place and you will thereby elect me when you vote. I solicit your votes and ask for your suffrages.

Dr. JOHN CORN, Herbalist, Dushore, Pa., July 18, 1898.

CONDENSED REPORT of the condition of the FIRST NATIONAL BANK of Dushore, Pa., At close of business, July 14, 1898.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$ 128,801.00
U. S. Bonds to Secure Circulation	12,500.00
Premium on United States Bonds	1,000.00
Stock Securities	15,500.00
Furniture	1,200.00
Due from Banks Approved reserve Agt	35,286.07
Reserve Fund U. S. Treasurer	562.30
Specie and Legal Tender Notes	12,939.25
	\$ 205,889.49
LIABILITIES.	
Capital	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	10,000.00
Undivided Profits	2,207.00
Due National Banks	4,675.90
Circulation	10,620.00
Dividends Unpaid	257.00
Deposits	132,844.65
	\$ 205,889.49

State of Pennsylvania, County of Sullivan ss:

I, M. D. Swartz, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

M. D. SWARTZ, Cashier,
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of July 1898.
JOHN H. CRONIN, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:
ALPHONSUS WALSH, } Directors
JNO. D. REESER, }
E. E. POMEROY, }

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Mary McCarty, late of Elkland township, deceased.

Letters of Administration having been granted to the undersigned, Administrator in the estate of Mary McCarty late of Elkland township, deceased, notice is hereby given that all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and all persons having claims against it must present them duly authenticated for settlement.

JOSEPH PARDOE, } Adminr.
THOS. McCARTY, }

Downs, Atty.

Special Notice!
\$2700.00 worth of Clothing,

Shoes, Pants, Ladies' Skirts, Capes, Corsets, and Shirt-waists and everything in Men's Furnishing Goods.

Will close out the entire stock at nearly 50c on the dollar. This will be the greatest sale Laporte ever heard of. Every body should take advantage of the bargains I will offer. We will surely give you prices that you will surely be astonished. It will pay you to buy not only for present but for future use. I will be glad to give the Lowest Price to every body. It will be a special favor that every body should come and examine my stock even if you don't expect to buy.

Highest price paid for Ginseng.

JOE COOPER,

LaPorte, Pa.

Below I. O. F. Hall.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

Farm for Sale

The undersigned — on account of failing health will sell his valuable farm situated on Muncy Creek about nine miles north of Hughesville, Pa. part of the purchase money can remain in property. JACOB BUCKS, Strawbridge, Lycoming Co.

Notice of Dissolution.

The partnership heretofore existing between M. E. Reeder and E. F. Ives, doing business under the firm name of Reeder & Ives, has been dissolved this 14th day of July, by mutual consent. All debts of said firm to be presented to M. E. Reeder for payment, and all parties owing said firm to make payment to same.

M. E. REEDER,
E. F. IVES.

BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY, JOHN HOWARD HARRIS, President. College, leading to degrees in Art, Philosophy and Science. Academy, a preparatory school for young men and boys. Institute, a refined boarding school for young ladies. School of Music, with graduating courses. For catalogue, address the Register, W. C. GRETZINGER, Lewisburg, Pa.

FOR SALE.

I offer the following properties: 76 acres, hemlock timber, near Ringdale; 373 acres, virgin timber, Elk Run, North Mountain, close to railroad; 326 acres, coal lands, at Bernice, adjoining present workings; 8 lots (one entire section) at Eagles Mere, each lot 75 feet front on Pennsylvania Ave., with "Bradford" privileges and title; 1 lot 75 ft. front on LaPorte Ave., several choice lots in LaPorte Boro.; also several warrants of stripped lands in LaPorte, Colley and Fox townships suitable for farming or grazing purposes.

H. T. DOWNS, Atty-at-Law,
LaPorte, Pa.

Everybody Says So.

Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, acts gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cures headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. to-day; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

SORES.

"Running sores appeared on my leg and spread over the entire lower portion of the limb. I got no help from medicine till I tried yours. I was cured by one bottle of

Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

ISAAC ACKER, Cowans, Va.

A Horrible Railroad Accident

is a daily chronicle in our papers; also the death of some dear friend, who had died with Consumption, whereas, if he or she had taken Ayer's Sarsaparilla for Throat and Lung diseases in time, life would have been rendered happier and perhaps saved. Heed the warning! If you have a cough or any affection of the Throat and Lungs Call on T. J. Keeler, Laporte; W. L. Hoffman, Hillsgrove; B. S. Lancaster, Forksville; C. B. Jennings, Agt. Estella; Jno. W. Buck, Sonestown, and get a trial package free. Large size 50c and 25c.

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(Successor to R.W. Fawcett.)

Watches, Jewellery, Silverware, Etc.

Bicycle repairing. Bicycle sundries. Fishing tackle, at lowest possible price.

Ginghams, calicoes and dress goods, cash prices at J. W. Buck's.

No-To-Bac for \$1.50 cents. Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c, \$1. All druggists.

Excellent wheat flour from \$1.10 to \$1.25 at A. T. Armstrong, Sonestown, Pa.

Fish and ham, prices right, at J. W. Buck's, Sonestown.

To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

Do not say you can not afford to put up fruit for winter use—J. W. Buck sells glass jars, tumblers, jelly cups and tin cans so cheap.

PLACE'S

New Grocery
LAPORTE, PA.

Our Friendly Latch String Always Hangs Out.

Shoes

an endless variety of high grade foot-wear is now on sale and for the next

60 Days there will positively be No War Tax put upon my prices.

E. L. PLACE'S NEW GROCERY.

Spring and Summer

Every corner of the store is bright, with the newest things for Women's wear and Men's wear and Children's wear.

We are glad to have you come in and see the new life of the old store and look at its excellent line of goods.

Spring Weight Underware 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.

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

An Explosion of Values.
PRICES BLOWN TO ATOMS.

Two or three reasons for this—liberal supply, better qualities, less in price than found elsewhere.

Ladies' Dress Wares.

They are the kind women want, and our prices will cause lively selling.

CORSETS Selling at Corset Prices.

No other line in these stores has such decided growth as that of Corsets. Augmented sales each month demonstrates the superiority of brands.

General Merchandise.

There is to be found a general line of seasonable goods constantly on hand.

Remember the Place.

JENNINGS BROS.

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

MANUFACTURERS OF

Gang Sawn and Trimmed Lumber.
LOPEZ, PA.

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.

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