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**YOUR SAVINGS ARE WELL INVESTED WHEN YOU BUY RELIABLE JEWELRY.**

It wears and gives pleasure for years and is always worth the price paid for it. Our many years of business at the same stand with the same principles of keeping nothing but reliable jewelry is a testimonial of what our goods stand for.

We intend that this store shall be first in your thoughts when that buying reliable jewelry question come up. Our prices have reached the bottom scale, they can nowhere be made lower for the same grade of goods.

## Always Ready for Repairwork.

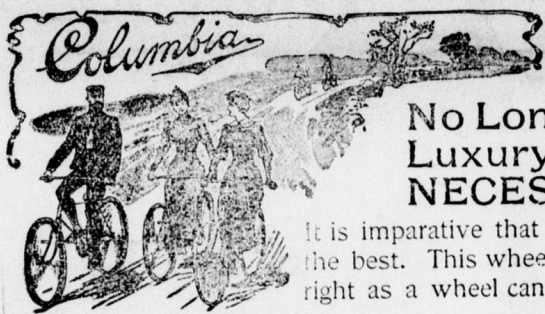
Nothing but the best in repair work leaves our hands. To get values come here after them. Very respectfully,

**RETTENBURY,**  
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## COLE'S HARDWARE.

## Special Low Prices Now Prevail

Wire fencing for farm, garden, lawn and poultry netting. Lawn mowers, wheel barrows, tin ware, woodenware, garden and farm tools, dairy supplies washing machines, wringers etc, of the latest inventions. Paints, oils and varnishes. Mill supplies and tools of all descriptions.



**No Longer a Luxury, But a NECESSITY.**

It is imperative that you have the best. This wheel is as near right as a wheel can be.

Bicycle Tires, Lamps, Brakes and Sundries.

Sporting goods, fishing tackle, guns, revolvers and equipments. Roofing, spouting, plumbing, piping and fittings. Bicycle repairing and general job work.

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**The Shopbell Dry Good Co.,**  
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## New Spring Silks.

Our silk department is now fully equipped with all the latest styles and newest weaves. In beauty and exclusiveness our showing this season surpasses all former efforts, the choicest and best productions can be seen on our silk counters. When in the city come and see the fine assortment of

## Foulards and Satin Liberties

for street or home dress. New styles in unique designs, excellent qualities for 75c, 87c, \$1.00, \$1.75.

## New Waist Silks.

We have a very complete line of new fancy silks suitable for street or evening wear in stripes, figures, printed warps, sate stripes, persian effects, the new linen colors in plain and stripes.

## Spring Dress Goods.

Never have we had such a variety, never have we shown so many beautiful materials as we are this season. For those who want the tailor made gown we have new fabrics for that kind of wear. Plain thin material will be in great demand this season. Among the light sheer goods we are showing in new shades are Albacross, Crepe de Chine, Eolienne, Bateste, Voile, Etamine, Velling, etc. When you are looking for a spring or summer dress come and see our collection.

**The Shopbell Dry Good Co.**  
**Williamsport, Pa.**

FIRST NATIONAL BANK  
OF DUSHORE, PENNA.  
CAPITAL \$50,000.  
SURPLUS \$10,000.  
Does a General Banking Business.  
B. W. JENNINGS, President. M. D. SWARTS, Cashier.

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**COMMERCIAL HOUSE.**  
AVID TEMPLE, Prop.  
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This large and well appointed house is the most popular hostelry in this section

**LAPORTE HOTEL.**  
F. W. GALLAGHER, Prop.  
Newly erected. Opposite Court  
House square. Steam heat, bath rooms,  
hot and cold water, reading and pool  
room, and barber shop; also good stabling  
and livery.

**T. J. KEELER,**  
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Special attention given to collections.  
All matters left to the care of this office  
will be promptly attended to.

**HOTEL GUY.**  
MILDRED, PA.

R. H. GUY, Proprietor.  
Newly furnished throughout, special  
attention given to the wants of the traveling  
public. Bar stocked with first class  
wines, liquors and cigars. The best beer  
on the market always on tap.  
Rates Reasonable.

**LIME**  
At the OLD OPP KILNS  
Located near Hughesville.

This is the purest lime on the ridge. We will compete with any dealer on car load lots delivered on the W. & N. B. R. R. with our own cars, giving purchaser ample time to unload.

All correspondence will receive prompt attention.  
Address,

**A. T. ARMSTRONG,**  
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**IT'S WORTH WHILE**

to step in and absorb a little General Knowledge that is to be found in a really down to date General Store.

Price Reduction on Closing out Goods now on

**EXHIBITION**

STEP IN AND ASK ABOUT THEM.

All answered at

**Vernon Hull's Large Store.**

Hillsboro, Pa.

## EVANS FORCED TO RESIGN

Will Take Effect When New Position is Found For Him.

BITTERLY OPPOSED BY G. A. R.

Committee of Grand Army Veterans, Who Investigated Pension Bureau, Made Its Report to President. Evans Has Nothing to Say.

Washington, March 29.—Commissioner of Pensions Evans has placed his resignation in the hands of the president. It will not take effect un-



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til some important position in the diplomatic service is found for him. The pension committee appointed at the last annual encampment of the G. A. R. to investigate the affairs of the pension bureau has made its report to the president.

The following letter from Hon. H. Clay Evans was made public at the White House last night:

"To the President—For some time I have been considering the question of resigning. It will soon be five years since I assumed the duties of this office, and I now have the honor of tendering you my resignation as commissioner of pensions, and will thank you to accept the same at as early a date as may suit your convenience."  
H. CLAY EVANS.

The statement appended to the letter is as follows:

"Mr. Evans some months ago verbally expressed his desire to resign, and finally put it in writing on March 15. The president, however, has told him that he will have to remain as commissioner, in the first place until his successor has been determined upon, and in the second place until there is some position to tender him which the president will regard as a promotion and as a fitting reward for his excellent service in the department."

## JERSEY'S REVENUES REDUCED

State Will Lose \$12,500 Annually By Passage of Steel Trust Bill.

Trenton, N. J., March 31.—The discovery has been made that the state of New Jersey will lose an annual revenue of \$12,500 by reason of the passage by the legislature of the law permitting the United States Steel Corporation to convert its preferred stock into bonds. Corporations chartered under the laws of New Jersey pay an annual tax on their issued capital stock. This tax is graded, and amounts to \$50 per million on the \$250,000,000 of preferred stock which the Steel Corporation purposes converting into bonds. The corporation will not be obliged to pay any tax on the bond issue, and the state, therefore, will lose this money. This point was probably overlooked at the time the bill was before the legislature, as no suggestion of the state's revenue being involved was made by any of the members who opposed the measure.

## Senator Jones Probably Defeated.

Little Rock, Ark., March 31.—Indications reflected by latest returns from a majority of the counties point to a victory for ex-Governor James P. Clarke for United States senator over Senator James E. Jones, though his majority on joint ballot will probably not exceed 12. Complete returns are not yet in, and in several of the large counties the vote is so close that the official count is awaited. Senator Jones will not concede Clarke's success.

Washington, March 29.—The secretary of the treasury has awarded a gold life saving medal to Elmer Mayo for his heroic services in rescuing Seth L. Adds at Monomy, Mass., when the entire life saving crew of that life saving station with one exception were lost. The secretary also awarded a gold medal to A. L. Ellis, the sur-

## Defaulter Locked Up.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 29.—Lincoln C. Carl, formerly collector of school and county taxes at Williamsport, was arrested yesterday and locked up in the Dauphin county jail, charged with defaulting to the extent of \$1,600. Carl is a member of the Dauphin county bar.

## SCHOONER SUNK IN COLLISION

Edna Earl Goes Down in Delaware Bay With Three of Crew.

Philadelphia, March 31.—With the greater part of her crew of 11 men asleep in their bunks below deck, the little fishing schooner Edna Earl, bound for the sea, was run into and sunk in the Delaware bay, off Reedy Island, Del., late Saturday night, and three of her crew were drowned. The drowned men are William Smith, Dennis Ford, father-in-law of Smith, both of Philadelphia, and Patrick Nolan, of Baltimore.

The vessel that sunk the fisherman was the Norwegian steamship Romsdal, in ballast, which rescued the surviving members of the crew and brought them to this city. Who was at fault in causing the collision has not yet been determined. Both Captain Hirsch, of the Romsdal, and Captain Kole, of the schooner, say that all their lights were burning and that they were completely within maritime regulations.

The sleeping fishermen were awakened by the crash and rushed up the narrow companionway. All but three of them managed to reach the deck, Nolan, Smith and Ford being caught by the rush of water and were drowned inside the vessel. The blow struck by the Romsdal was so severe that the little schooner was almost cut in half and she sunk in less than five minutes. The surviving members took to the rigging, and in half an hour were taken off in a small boat sent to the rescue by Captain Hirsch, who immediately anchored his vessel after the collision. It took nearly a half hour for the Romsdal's crew to locate the wrecked sailors in the darkness.

## MURDERED IN HIS CABIN

Woodchopper's Body Found Terribly Hacked By Sharp Instrument.

Zilkesbarre, Pa., March 31.—James Larkins, a woodchopper, living alone at Harvey's lake, a summer resort near this city, was found dead in his cabin yesterday morning. Saturday night he had as his guest Samuel Keller. The two men drank considerable whiskey, and then, it is thought, started to fight. Some people living nearby heard screams coming from the cabin about midnight. Keller was covered with blood from several ugly cuts in the face. Larkins was found lying on the floor of his cottage. He had been terribly hacked with some sharp instrument. Keller was at once arrested and brought to this city and lodged in the county jail. He denies all knowledge of the crime. The interior of the Larkin cabin resembled a slaughter house. A woodchopper's axe is missing. It is thought the men while in a drunken stupor engaged in a terrific battle, when the axe and table knives were used as weapons.

## TWENTY-TWO PERISH IN STORM

Financial Loss in Tennessee Will Reach \$4,000,000.

Nashville, Tenn., March 31.—Reports from the flooded districts of Tennessee estimate that the damage resulting from the storm of rain and wind will reach \$4,000,000. Twenty-two lives are believed to have been lost. From figures available the following fatalities are given:

Pulaski—Houston Cannon, Sarah Phipps, John Coie, wife and three children; Stick White, wife and two children, all colored, and negro baby. Lewisburg—Anna Robinson, two children of Joe McClellan, all colored. Murfreesboro—Williams, girl (colored).

McMinnville—Mrs. Blevin and three children, Henry Madewell.

Harriman—Two unknown persons.

After a perilous night from the top of a tree in the hermitage district three men were rescued from drowning at an early hour yesterday morning.

## Killed in a Runaway.

Reading, Pa., March 31.—Two horses drawing a carriage containing four persons who were returning home from a Sunday school festival, ran away yesterday afternoon, and Mrs. Walter K. Lord, aged 45, a widow, becoming frightened, jumped from the carriage and was killed. The other occupants of the carriage escaped injury, though two of them, John Obold and his wife, were for a time rendered unconscious through nervous shock. Mr. Obold is a hardware dealer of this city.

## King Gives Cup For Yacht Race.

Cork, March 31.—In response to an inquiry addressed to King Edward, his majesty has sent a letter to the lord mayor of Cork, Mr. Fitzgerald, saying that he will give a cup valued at \$500, to be competed for in the international yacht race which will be held in connection with the Cork international exhibition this year. Local yacht clubs hope that the Columbia, the Shamrock II, and the Meteor will be among the contestants in the international race.

Voting Machines in New York City.

## THE WEEK IN CONGRESS

Measures That Will Occupy Attention of National Lawmakers.

### OLEOMARGARINE BILL IN SENATE

There is No Pronounced Opposition, But It May Be Amended Slightly. Chinese Exclusion Bill Next—Program in the House.

Washington, March 31.—The friends of the oleomargarine bill hope to secure a vote upon that measure tomorrow, and as soon as it shall be disposed of the Chinese exclusion bill will be called up. According to the present understanding, Senator Mitchell, of Oregon, who was largely instrumental in framing the exclusion bill, will make the first presentation of its merits to the senate. He will be followed by other supporters of the bill, and it is the hope of Senator Penrose, who has charge of the measure, that the senate will be able to conclude its consideration within ten days after it is taken up. There is no pronounced opposition to the bill as a whole, but an effort will be made to amend it in some particulars.

There are still several speeches to be made on the oleomargarine bill, but it is the general understanding that the discussion will be concluded in time to allow a vote tomorrow. It is expected that the Indian appropriation and the river and harbor bill will be reported during the week. Both are subject to immediate consideration, even to the extent of displacing other bills, but it is not believed that either of them will be used to deprive the Chinese bill of its chance for consideration.

The Philippine government bill also will be reported, but its consideration by the senate necessarily will be postponed for some weeks.

The house during the week will be largely occupied with the sundry civil appropriation bill, which was called up today. Such time as remains will be devoted to the consideration of the senate bill to promote the efficiency of the revenue cutter service and the Chinese exclusion bill, both of which are on special orders, but they do not interfere with revenue or appropriation bills. It is the intention of the leaders not to bring forward the Cuban reciprocity bill until next week.

### FIRE IN CROWDED THEATRE

Panic Was Averted and Audience Retired in Good Order.

Cincinnati, March 31.—The Pike building, on Fourth street, between Penn and Walnut streets, in which the Pike Opera House is located, was partially destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon. Standing room had been taken at the matinee, which was proceeding, when the flames broke out. The audience retired in good order, but some women fainted after reaching the street.

The prompt efforts of Manager D. H. Hunt and his staff and the people on the stage were most successful in averting a panic. The fire started from some unknown cause in the basement store room of the Adams Express company and extended up through the first floors of the Adams Express office to the auditorium. The only thing burned in the auditorium was a portier, but the volumes of smoke indicated a volcano under the audience. Many women in the audience fled without their Easter hats and wraps, and the individual losses will be considerable. The damage to the building amounts to \$60,000.

### Scalded By Bursting Steam Pipes.

Reading, Pa., March 31.—Engineer Charles Poir, John Haulihan, David Grube and Edward Rismiller, all Reading Railway employees, were yesterday afternoon badly scalded by the bursting of the steam pipes of a shifting engine upon which they were riding. The engine jumped the track and ran into an ore bank. The pipes then burst, and the men were enveloped in a cloud of steam. Poir will probably die.

### Child Nearly Frozen to Death.

Pennington, N. J., March 29.—John Lutes, the two-year-old son of George Lutes, Jr., who wandered from his home in Harbortown, near here, was found at noon yesterday lying face downward nearly frozen to death. He had wandered from his home with only his shoes, short stockings and a dress on, and is supposed to have started for his former home. The child was revived, and is likely to recover.

### Biggest Tree in Pennsylvania.

Newtown, Pa., March 31.—A chestnut monarch which graces the farm of Irwin Schantz, in Milford township, Bucks county, between Milford Square and Spinnerstown, is conceded by State Forestry Commissioner Rothrock to be the biggest tree in Pennsylvania. It stands 54 feet in height, and has a circumference of 27 feet and 6 inches at a point four feet above the ground.