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of all kinds and prices, fine damask towels with either fringed or hemstitched borders at 50c to 2.50 a pair. Ask to see the New "Bubdry" bath towel. It's a new idea in towels.

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Ready for use. What the use of cutting and sewing when the made up article can be had for about the same price you would pay for the material. Pillow cases 30c up to 40c. Sheets at 47c up to 69c, according to the quality of muslin.



ALBERT L. DYER.

We are pleased to be able to print in this issue a picture of Albert L. Dyer, the nominee for Member of Assembly. It is a good likeness and shows the kindly face and clear cut expression of one of the brightest young business men in this county.

Mr. Dyer was born February 13, 1868, in New Era, Bradford county, where he lived until a young man and at which place he received a thorough common school education. He is the son of John C. Dyer who for several years made a comfortable home for his family on a farm at New Era, and is now a lumberman about Ricketts.

The subject of this sketch came to Sullivan county sixteen years ago and was first employed on a saw mill at Bernice by J. W. Stroud, where he worked two years. He was then employed by Trexler and Terrell on their saw mill, then at Lopez, for three years, after which time he returned to his former employer, Mr. Stroud, and had full charge of the saw mill until the timber job was completed. Mr. Dyer then engaged in business at Lopez. He purchased the pool room and confectionary store, previously established, which he conducted profitably for three years. He then purchased the meat market at that place and shortly after added a livery to his business. These two business interests have since occupied his closest attention of which he is making a remarkable success. Eight years ago he was united in marriage to Miss Allame Utz, daughter of the late John Utz, of Dushore. In his business he enjoys an extensive trade, because his fair dealings and manly treatment to all commands it. He is best liked by those who best know him. His chances are growing brighter every day for his triumphant election.

Lopez, Sept. 22, 1902.

MR. WING, Editor of News Item.

I closed my letter last week before I had finished all I had to say, because it was getting too long.

I find in my Small's Hand Book page 210, another section of the constitution of Penn'a. which says: "Any county, township, school district or other municipality, incurring any indebtedness, shall, at or before the time of so doing, provide for the collection of an annual tax, sufficient to pay the interest, and also the principal thereof within thirty years."

Is it not astonishing that a Board of Commissioners, having paid counsel, could overlook this plain provision of the constitution when they issued \$33,000 in bonds? And again when they issued a new series of \$4,500 in bonds; and again when they issued \$500 in bonds; and again when they issued interest bearing orders in 1896 amounting to \$19,232.99? And again and again from time to time until the end of the year 1901?

It is a fact which cannot be contradicted that our county has incurred debt after debt without paying any regard to the 10th Section of the ninth Article of the Constitution.

No wonder Editor Newell could prophecy with confidence that the grandfather of the child was yet unborn who would live to see the debt paid. He might add that hemlock trees a hundred years old will be growing all over what are now the best farms in Elkland and Cherry townships, before the debt is paid.

What I want to know is whether bonds and interest bearing orders

issued in violation of the constitution, are binding upon the tax-payers? Let some of our good lawyers give the public some "authorities" upon the subject.

H. W. FARMER.

Editor of the Herald is Dangerously Mad.

Scouten has a column of froth and foam in the Herald trying to extricate himself and E. G. Rogers from the hole in which they have fallen. Their dilemma is pitiful. On the 12th of June 1901, Scouten declared that "The astounding street railway bill that the Pennsylvania Legislature has just passed, in observance to an order from Matt Quay, whereby every street as yet unoccupied by rails in every city, town or village of the state is handed over to a company that may use them for any sort of transit it chooses—elevated, underground or surface—is the most villainous piece of legislation ever seen in this country."

E. G. Rogers voted for that bill on its final passage.

If Scouten admits that he lied when he said the act was the most villainous piece of legislation ever seen in this country, then no one will believe a word that he says in the Herald. If he don't admit that he lied, then he must either oppose Rogers or stultify himself and his newspaper.

Rogers little thought when he slipped quietly out of the House, and sneaked back to his seat, and voted for this bill, that the news of his duplicity would get back to Sullivan county. The search light of truth is glaring upon him and honest men of all parties will drop him.

HILLSGROVE.

John B. Emery of Williamsport was in Hillsgrove and vicinity last week looking after lumber interests and letting out log jobs.

Carter Huffman is now reported out of danger after a severe illness of typhoid fever.

Dan Darby came down from Gleason last week and moved his family to that place where he has secured employment.

Jack Clegg left on Friday for North Bend where he has secured a good job. All wish him good luck.

Bert Dewitt of Shunk was a caller in town last week.

Herman Green, after a severe illness of typhoid fever is again able to be out among the boys.

John Lucas who is working at Medix Run is visiting his family at this place.

Wallace Vroman has moved into town from his Chestnut Grove farm.

Mrs. Forest McBride of Sydney Run was a visitor in town last Saturday.

Joseph Snell, better known as uncle Joe by all around here, died at this place on Saturday, at the age of 84 years. He is survived by eight children. Mr. Snell was a devout christian, being a member of the Church of Christ. The funeral was held on Tuesday. Rev. S. C. Bryan of Leroy preached the funeral sermon.

Homer Peek and Dr. Gamble drove to Laporte on Monday to transact business.

A full force was at work last Sunday in the tannery.

John McBride of Fribley was a business caller in town Saturday.

SHUNK.

Several from this place attended the Troy Fair last week, and report the Fair a big success.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Campbell and sons are enjoying a two weeks vacation with relatives in Walton, N. Y.

Isaac Shoemaker a member of the 122 Reg. stationed at Fort Columbus, N. Y. is visiting his parents here. Army life evidently agrees with "Ike" for he is looking fine.

Mrs. Fred Brenchley of Snquehanna, N. Y. is visiting her parents here.

C. B. Brown started on Monday for a visit with his wife who was taken to the Sayre Hospital for treatment some time ago. Mrs. Brown is getting along nicely and was able to be removed to the home of her brother at that place on Saturday.

A. E. Campbell and B. P. Raub were business men in Towanda last week.

W. E. Porter is clerking for J. W. Tripp a son at Canton, Pa.

O. J. Williams is plastering his house. Miles Sallada is doing the work.

RICKETTS.

Mr. John Waring has returned from the Sayre Hospital after having two of his toes amputated.

Mr. B. W. Coles has returned to Ricketts after his illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Sheary of Bloomsburg, and Mr. and Mrs. B. VanSickle of Jamison City are visiting at J. C. Millers.

Mr. F. O. Kuhns was a jurymen at Laporte this week.

The L. V. R. R. hauled 104 car loads of freight from here last week.

Miss Anna Terrel was here a few days with her father last week.

Rev. J. M. Smeltzer is away on a ten days trip to Lehigh and Lancaster.

Miss Ellen Douglas who has been nursing Mrs. Heintzleman, returned to her home at Wilkesbarre on Wednesday of last week.

COURT NOTES.

Jas. Pike discharged as an insolvent. Estate of John C. Bogart decd. sale of real estate continued until next term.

In re. county bridge over Elk Creek, directed to be placed before the grand jury at December term.

Road leading from Bernice to Murray mines confirmed nisi.

In re. county bridge over Outlet creek, near Sonestown; grand jury report no bridge at county expense.

J. D. Utz vs S. E. Secules, Phil Secules and Mathew Taylor, judgement allowed to be entered.

On petition of B. J. Eley constable, Mr. John Cornell of Ricketts and Dell Ross of Colley are appointed constables to serve at elections.

A. C. Anderson vs C. F. Wackenhuth Executor of J. H. Rothrock. Verdict for plaintiff, judgment \$1380.39.

Comth. vs John Simon, convicted of larceny. Sentenced three years in penitentiary.

EAGLES MERE.

On Sunday Rev. F. Ward Denys officiated in the Episcopal Church morning and evening.

In the Baptist Church Rev. Geo. Morgan preached in the morning and Rev. S. B. Bidlack in the evening.

Now the repair season has commenced and Frank Little with Harry Egley commenced to put a new roof on the Ralph Smith Cottage.

Quite a number of persons left very regretfully on Monday morning. It is expected that at the meeting of the Borough Council on next Monday evening there will be a general "Looking Backward" over the experiences of the season and a "Looking Forward" for what must be done to be ready for the season of 1903. This plan is getting at business in good shape.

At a conference with the officers of the Light and Water Companies Mr. W. Y. Warner contracted for his supply of water and light for next summer.

The construction of the Stand Pipe will be commenced at once and a floating scaffold will be used inside, raised as the work progresses by pumping in water.

To everybody interested in Eagles Mere.—Subscribe for "The Item" and keep posted on everything of interest all winter.

The First Fire Drill at Eagles Mere.

Just after 11 o'clock on Saturday morning a wish was expressed for an experimental Fire Drill and Capt. Chase quickly improvised a sort of a volunteer company in which Clarence and Floyd Dunham were to look after the pumps at the Waterworks, Raymond Keherer was Valve man to see that that the water supply was so controlled in the mains as to restrict it to the fire locality, S. E. Worthington, Brady Bennet, Clayton Dunham, Henry Upman, Friend Avery, Wm. Parmeter and C. A. Brink were hosemen with Capt. Chase as Fire Chief.

With an understanding that the fire signal would be four blasts of the steamboat whistle given by H. J. Smith, Captain of the steamer, all were dismissed to dinner.

No time was fixed for the supposed fire but just as the men were through dinner the whistle sounded and everybody started on a run for their several positions and for the locality of the fire which was found to be at the Lakeside.

In the absence of any hose cart the men had to carry the two sections of hose but they worked so well together that in four minutes after the alarm the hose was attached to the fire plug, other street mains closed and the hosemen were ready for business although they had a run of about a quarter of a mile.

If there was any superiority of service it was in the engineers who ran about half a mile to the engine house and started the pumps in four minutes, just the time it took to get the hose in readiness, and though the street mains had been previously emptied, water was flowing from the nozzle and a good stream in seven minutes from the alarm and in eleven minutes from the whistle signals a full head was on in the six inch mains under a pressure of 120 pounds to the square inch.

After working long enough to extinguish any fire that could have been started in the time the water was shut off, the hose gathered up, taken to headquarters and the men back discussing the problem that they had solved so satisfactorily without previous drill.

Eagles Mere is now well prepared for fire service.

Mr. C. LaRue Munson and Mr. John S. Kirk have offered a prize of ten dollars each if the same results can be covered in less than ten minutes and it seems likely that they will have the pleasure of turning over the twenty dollars.

Entertainment at Forksville.

A Harvest Entertainment will be given in the M. E. Church at Forksville, Thursday evening, Oct. 2nd, under the auspices of the Epworth League. A musical and literary program has been arranged, and a pleasant evening is anticipated.

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