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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.

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## Always Ready for Repairwork.

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Very respectfully,

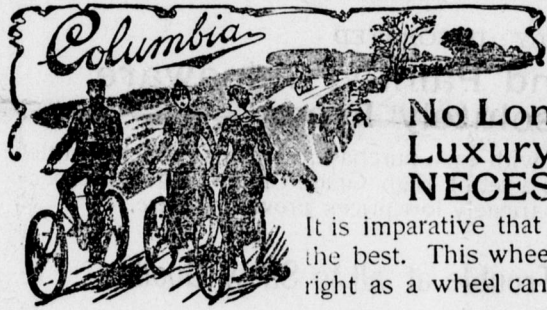
**RETTEBURY,**

DUSHORE, PA. THE JEWELER.

## 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.

## Samuel Cole, Dushore, Pa.

## The Shopbell Dry Good Co.,

313 Pine Street,  
WILLIAMSPORT, PA.

## Autumn Dress Goods

We are showing for Fall our excellent line of new black and colored dress materials suitable for tailor made suits besides the plain fabric. There is a strong demand for mixed suiting of the Scotch effects of which we are showing a very fine line. Then we have the best light in the city to show them in.

### SILKS.

We cannot describe the large variety of black and colored silks we have selected for fall. Among the fancies may be mentioned new plaids and changeable silks, plain, colored taffetas in all shades. Black taffetas at 50c to 1.75 per yard. 20 inches wide.

### Ready to Wear Department.

We have made extensive preparation in this department for fall and winter. What we show you will be the very latest as to style and materials used in first class tailor made suits, costumes, walking skirts, and coats. The stock of fur we have is larger than you have ever seen in this city before. Novelty in fur boas and scarfs with muffs to match. Misses and childrens Jackets and Coats. Mercerized sateen petticoats at 1.00 to 4.50. Black taffeta petticoats at 7.00 to 12.50.

### Comforts and Blankets.

Extra large size silkoline or sateen covered comforts; a large variety of dark and light floral effects. Patterns some with

one side plain, filled with pure white cotton at 95c up to 3.75.

It will pay you to look at our white or grey blankets before you purchase, as we have them at any price from 50c up to 9.50; also a full line of Muncy blankets in white, grey and scarlet.

### UNDERWEAR.

For men, women and children in medium and heavy winter weights. Ladies' full fleeced lined vests and drawers at 25 and 50 cents; better qualities up to 1.75. Men's full fleeced shirts and drawers at 39 and 50c. Part wool and fine all wool 75c to 1.00, 1.25 and up. New line of children and infants underwear at the right prices.

### Table Linens and Napkins.

This has always been one of our strong departments, but we think it much better this fall than usual. We are displaying new Linen sets, table cloths, napkins, center pieces, lunch cloths, scarfs, fine denmark and huck towels, turkish bath towels, etc.

## The Shopbell Dry Good Co.

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### EAGLES MERE.

On Sunday evening our townsman Rev. B. G. Welch, delivered an interesting sermon in the Baptist church on the subject of "Mysticism, Spiritualism, Mormonism, Socialism and Christianity." In spite of the severe storm the church was pretty well filled and the audience listened to Mr. Welch with unabated interest for a full hour.

Rev. Mr. Caswell held service in accordance with the Episcopal Ritual at the same hour in the parlor of Hotel Eagles Mere.

At the close of the service in the Baptist Church Mr. Welch stated that Mr. Caswell desired to hold services in Eagles Mere and suggested that the Baptist Church invited him to use their house of worship and that arrangements be made to add a robing room if it was desired.

Rev. S. B. Bidlack is announced to preach in the Baptist church next Sunday at 7:30 p. m.

The family of Mr. Harry G. Clay are still occupying their cottage and may be here several weeks yet. All the other summer cottages are now vacant.

The families of Mr. Dodge and Mr. Murphy left Hotel Eagles Mere for Washington on Tuesday. Mrs. C. C. McCormick will remain until very cold weather.

The Water Works is closed down until spring and it is generally understood that operations on the stand pipe are also postponed until that time.

The Post Office Club is glad to announce to its friends that the pledge of secrecy in regard to the railroad trains has been removed and the public is now allowed to have a printed time table. In view of the fact that all of the members are voters and much interested in the coming election it is hardly likely that any further meetings will be held until after Nov. 4.

The Borough Council held its regular meeting on Monday evening and its minutes will undoubtedly appear next issue.

Mr. G. C. Bulkley of Hartford, Conn. dropped in between trains to look over insurance matters on Monday.

Miss Sadie Dreisbach and her staff left for Williamsport on Wednesday after making considerable improvement in her establishment preparing or next summer.

Mr. C. W. Sones, the proprietor of the sawmill on Kettle Creek and the new railroad to it, left on the fast line for the mill on Monday morning. He was accompanied by Mr. John B. Fox, the coal man from Hughesville. Mr. Fox will likely move the Wooster Coal Mine down to Hughesville for the convenience of the people there.

### SONESTOWN.

Mrs. M. Donovan of Muncy Valley is visiting her son, W. F. Donovan. The latter's infant son is seriously ill.

Born to Mr. and Lloyd Fairman, Oct. 4th a son.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Starr were in Williamsport Saturday.

J. M. Boatman and family attended the funeral of a relative on Monday at Hughesville.

Walter Hazen, after seventeen weeks at Eagles Mere has again returned home.

Mrs. G. Phillips and daughter, Mrs. Wm. Kiess, accompanied the former's daughter, Mrs. Chas. Hazen to Williamsport last week. The first two returned home the same day but Mrs. Hazen remained in the city and is under the medical care of Dr. Cheney. At present writing reports say she is progressing nicely.

Mrs. D. H. Lora's new stock of fall hats have arrived.

The compulsory school law is enforced to the letter this year, and many and various are the tunes sung thereat. But what is the use of a law that isn't enforced? It simply teaches disrespect for the statutes of the Commonwealth.

The board of the M. E. Church will hold a meeting in the church on Saturday evening.

Mrs. A. T. Armstrong is entertaining Miss Emma Spencer of Laporte.

## The Franchise Bill Reviewed.

**Hon. Fred T. Ikeler Condemned It Before the House.**

Supported By E. G. Rogers After the Vote on Third Amendment.

In order to show the people that Scouten is trying to deceive them in reference to Rogers vote on the Franchise bills, we reprint from the Philadelphia Record of June 6, 1901, a portion of that which appeared in the news and editorial columns. Let the reader bear in mind that these two bills were passed June 5, 1901, and that Rogers voted for both of them. Bear in mind that he voted in favor of two of the amendments, was absent when the third amendment was voted on, and then voted against all the other amendments and for the two bills. The "Record" had these headlines June 6, the day after the bills were passed.

IKELER SCORES HOUSE FOR ITS WICKEDNESS.

SAYS PASSAGE OF RAILWAY RIPHER IS GREATEST INIQUITY.

Alleged Dishonesty of the Measures is Shown by Opponents, Who Fought Hard for Their Improvement.

These bills were opposed by Dixon, Creasy, Mayne and the leading democrats; just before the vote was taken, Fred T. Ikeler of Columbia county, and who is well known in Sullivan county, made a speech in which he said, in part, as reported by the "Record."

"In rising to speak a few words on this bill," said Ikeler, "I do not entertain the slightest hope that any weak words of mine can stem the tide of political profligacy that has swept over this chamber. But in opposing this monstrous measure the few men on this side of the House have at least the same consolation that animated one of England's greatest statesmen, who, when crushed and defeated by a majority drunk with power, exclaimed, as he was being carried out from the scene of his legislative labors a physical wreck, to rest upon the couch of death: 'Thank God the people will understand in time.'"

"If there is one man among the ruling majority on this floor who has not lost his independence in the struggle for political power; if there is still one among your number who dares to be master of his own opinion; I want to appeal to that man."

Corporations formed under this act will practically stake off our unoccupied highways and use them for the purpose of barter and trade. By the provisions of this bill they are given purchasing power never before dreamed of in any scheme of corporate legislation. They give neither security nor compensation, and are not obliged even to proclaim the purpose of their incorporation. They possess sovereign power of the Commonwealth; they may obstruct, or crush, or promote, and they may do it all without one cent of actual investment.

"The whole scheme of this bill is not to promote railway building, but to seize upon public franchises for selfish purposes, or in the interest of a political machine. Let me ask you, Mr. Speaker, this question: Was ever an honest measure passed as this measure will be passed? Did ever a righteous cause demand such iniquitous support?"

Reported into this House in the face and teeth of its standing rules and orders, and by virtue of the ruling of the chair, which I dare not dispute, but which at least was most peculiar, railroaded beyond every precedent, past or present, does it bear the earmarks of honest legislation.

Yet in spite of this appeal to him by Ikeler, Rogers voted for the bills. Remember he voted for the 1st and 2nd amendments offered by Creasy, he was absent when the 3rd amendment was voted on and he voted against the other amendments and for the bills. We asked Scouten and Rogers to tell us who he saw between the 2nd and 4th amendments? What was said to him? Why did he change his mind? This was a "boodle bill" according to the "Record" and Scouten himself. It was in the interest of corporations, it is asserted

ed there was big money in it. Now we again ask Rogers who did you see, what was said to you to make you vote for a rich man's bill after you voted against it? Don't squirm, don't wriggle but answer. The people want to know and if you do not enlighten them you will hear from it in November.

### Municipal Conditions in Eagles Mere.

The question of just what a Borough Council should do may be a matter of law but it must necessarily often be modified by peculiar conditions such as obtain in Eagles Mere. Here almost ninety per cent of the taxes are paid by people who have no vote, and practically all of the business of the place comes from people whose maximum residence is not over four months and largely the residential period is measured by sixty days. It is said that nearly sixty per cent of the visitors who come here are only with us for one season, but we regard that estimation as probably erroneous. Nevertheless it is beyond any possible question that our summer population must be attracted year by year. There is not anywhere near the disposition to build cottages that there was six or eight years ago. The cheaper structures of what have heretofore been known as Eagle Mere Chautauqua may continue to increase in number, but the more expensive buildings of Eagles Mere proper do not seem to exceed the average of one per annum which is not likely to increase under existing methods.

With these premises what conclusions are forced upon us in reference to the advisable course of our municipal management? Clearly it would seem that our Borough Fathers are in the position of Trustees for the people whose property they administer and whose money they spend. It is impossible that those who pay almost ninety per cent of the taxes could have anything to say and yet as a matter of supreme trust, as the wisest course to pursue to maintain the business on which we live, to steer clear of the mistaken policy of "killing the goose that lays the golden egg" it is almost self evident that we commit the grave error of tying ourselves to methods, precedents and practices of other municipalities that do not resemble ours in the slightest degree. We venture to express a doubt as to there being in Pennsylvania another borough in which conditions are quite like ours.

In a manufacturing place the true policy would be to direct energy and expenditure to fostering industries of that kind, if merchandising was the source of prosperity then totally different plans would be indicated, and in our case as the whole source of our well being is the attractiveness of our place as a summer resort that fact should direct every step we may take in municipal affairs.

It is idle to expect the summer population to originate or direct plans for municipal improvement. They do not understand conditions, they are not here long enough to do anything of the sort and they do not come here to work out any such problems. They are here for needed rest and recreation. They spend their money for that purpose and they expect to find conditions here when they come that will give them the twenty-four hours of rest and pleasure every day they are here. They do not want to figure out any problems of road improvement, of attractive scenery, accessibility of nature's treasures or anything of that sort. "They cheerfully pay the bills" and they expect to find everything in good shape when they come and to have it continue in that shape all the while they are here. Hence our councilmen should get rid of the idea that the initiative of measures of improvement is not with them. They have been chosen because of supposed ability to anticipate, direct and execute the efforts that shall attract ever increasing numbers of people and of dollars to the place. The principal problem that our Council have to solve is not how to reduce expenses and cut down the taxes but rather how to increase

municipal revenues by doing the things that will develop the only business that we have and the only business that we ever can have. They should use intelligently the money that is placed at their command, not to carry out plans for the particular ideas we may have ourselves, but rather to pursue the course that will most gratify those who furnish the money and attract people who will invest more capital here, and so spread the circle of traffic wider and wider in geographical area and especially direct their efforts to some scheme that shall make known to the regions within our reach how delightful Eagles Mere is during the spring and fall.

Instead of planning all the time how to get along with the smallest amount of our visitors money we should seek to spend so liberally, and yet so wisely, that it may be the universal verdict that year after year we are making our home more and more beautiful, comfortable and pleasant.

We have not yet learned that text of the old Book "there is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than it meet, but it tendeth to poverty."

B. G. W.

### DUSHORE.

Miss Clara Streby is improving. Dr. Biddell and wife attended the Milton Fair last week.

While on his way to the Forks-ville Fair last Thursday, Wm. Newland of this place captured a live eagle, and has sent it to Waverly to be mounted.

While trying to put on a belt with the thrasher in motion, Ed White had his arm caught in the machinery and was torn from the socket at the elbow. Medical aid was summoned and the arm was amputated above the elbow.

The public school B. B. club played the Forks-ville public school's club a game on Friday. Score six to one in favor of Dushore.

Miss Donna Jackson has returned home.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Zack Cole, a daughter.

### HILLSGROVE.

Mrs. Joseph Gansel and Jake Gansel, two of the typhoid patients are some better at this writing. Sidney Green, another one of the patients is very low. There are little hopes for his recovery.

Joseph Miller has gone to Muncy Valley where he has hired out as foreman for James Brady who has a large log job.

Mr. Tony Hart of Wellsboro with a crew of men are drilling for coal up slab run. Harry Green is carry-water and drills.

Supt. Buckley was here last week with some expert firemen to examine the furnaces that have been causing trouble.

Chas. Peck who has the contract for cutting the Plotts logs at round knoll went to work with a large crew of men on Monday.

Andrew Galough moved from this place to Jersey Shore, where he has secured a good job, on Monday. The number of Americans that have left Hillsgrove in the last year is astonishing.

Republican county chairman Shoemaker and Albert Dyer, candidate for representative, were in town last week. Hillsgrove is going to give Dyer the old fashioned republican majority this fall.

Garfield Harrison left on Tuesday for a visit to relatives in Wilkes-barre and Plymouth.

Mr. Good is seriously ill having suffered a stroke of paralysis. Little hopes are entertained for his recovery as he is now past eighty years of age.

Geo. Corson left the Grove on Tuesday for Williamsport where he will work for the Penn. R. R.

Dr. Brown is visiting friends in Tioga. Dr. Gamble is caring for his patients during his absence.

The tannery will run day and night until they catch up with their work.

Frank Moulthrop who has been visiting his brother Nathan here, has returned to his work at Brooklyn, N. Y.

John Flynn of Laporte was in town Monday.

Fullmer Jenkins of Cross Forks, and Will Hopper of Muncy Valley have accepted jobs in the rolling loft.