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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.

SILLS.

We cannot describe the large variety of black and colored silks we have selected for fall. Among the fancies we have mentioned new plaids and changeable silks, plain, colored taffetas in all shades. Black taffetas at 50c to 1.75 per yard. 20 inches to 45 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 tailors made suits, costumes, walking skirts, and coats. The stock of fur we have is larger than you have ever seen in this city before. Novelties 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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COUNTY NEWS

Happenings of Interest to Readers

Columns of Interesting Items Gathered by Our Special Corps of Hustling Correspondents in Many Towns.

EAGLES MERE.

Raymond Kehrler, Floyd Dunham and Friend Avery returned thanks in Williamsport.

Electrician Trappe is busy at Montgomery reconstructing the street lighting system and has Clarence Dunham for assistant.

The Chautauqua management have arranged with the Light Co. to supply them with light for next summer and have asked to have the outfit installed immediately so as to give them the advantage of the Borough lighting during the winter, whereat Supt. W. H. Fletcher rejoices. All the necessary material has been ordered and we understand that the work will be commenced in a few days. This will furnish a delightful lovers promenade in that direction.

We regret to hear of the illness of landlord Kirk and are pleased with late advices that he is convalescent.

Our progressive neighbor Henry Cummings has had an electric light placed in front of his house and is lighting his house and barn. He proposes to keep up with the procession.

Contractor Little is progressing finely with the work at Hotel Raymond. The exterior work is practically completed but owing to delay at the planing mill it will be some days before all the windows and doors are in place. Inside the flooring is almost all laid, the new dining room makes a wonderful improvement, the porches will be exceedingly popular and everything about the establishment will be really first class.

Mr. Little will not return to his Picture Rocks home before Christmas as he has the Chautauqua cottage for Dr. W. T. Reedy of Hughesville, under roof and almost enclosed and will not leave it until everything is in good shape for winter.

He has the frame of the new wing to the McCormick cottage all erected, chimnies up and will put a force at that and have it ready for the plasterer before he leaves.

Mr. Robert M. Estes of the United States Census Department, Washington, took dinner at Hotel Eagles Mere on Saturday. He is collecting statistics of all the Electric Light and Power Plants in this part of the state. He expressed the opinion that Eagles Mere possessed the most substantial attractions of any summer resort he has ever visited and it seemed to him that it is a delightful place at this season of the year. Mr. Welch of the Light Co. was his guide to the points of interest. He enjoyed the venison dinner with great gusto and promises to visit Mr. Ingham next summer.

A special meeting of the Post Office Club was held on Thanksgiving Day and it was resolved into an expression from the members for the reasons for thankfulness. Some of them were peculiar but none the less interesting. The Secretary has furnished us with a transcript of the proceedings which we condense for the Item readers.

After a period of silent meditation the President expressed thankfulness that the railroad trains were still running and apparently likely to do so most of the winter; general expressions of assent came from every member.

The modest member thought the special care that was being given to the spiritual welfare of the members by the different ministers should not be omitted; two or three agreed with him.

The Secretary called particular attention to the blessings of the new railroad connections so that now the newspapers from the cities did not reach us until a day or two after publication so that it was no longer necessary to read them:

Another member thought still better was the fact that letters now were

so long on the way and it took so long to send out replies that letter writing might be relegated to the lost arts and left all that wasted time to smoke:

The member in the back seat said that the composite railroad car ought not to be left out of the list: somebody wanted to know what to be thankful for in that: it was explained that as a matter of exercise it was far better than any of the expensive appliances that were advertised and one lady found it an admirable resolvent that was far better than "Anti-fat" and the general opinion was that Vice President Voorhees of the Reading R. R. would send up a set of gilt edged thanks that his son had such an opportunity for a novel ride on his return from his Eagles Mere honey moon with Mrs. Voorhees.

The traveling salesman who said that he was particularly anxious to make the entire distance over night either Sonestown or Seaside place on the way. The tired man was weary but he was encouraged by this last explanation to believe that no one would come up any more and so he would not have to do any work in connection with such visitors.

ESTELLA.

A. T. Mulnix has bought the creamery.

Homer Beninger is moving his family back from Lopez to Estella, where he will run his blacksmith and wagon shop.

Richard Duff and family are occupying their new house on Creamery avenue.

Ulysses Bird made a business trip to Fox last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. More spent Thanksgiving day at J. P. Brechleys.

Thanksgiving services were held at the W. M. Church at Millview, Thursday evening, and a Thanksgiving dinner in the basement during the daytime.

Freese Hess is convalescent. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Warren of Baileys Corners, who had been visiting their son, Prof. C. H. Warren at Sonestown, passed through this place on Friday enroute for home.

Elkland Grange will hold Thanksgiving services in the near future.

Chester Campbell and wife are visiting Mrs. Campbells parents at this place.

D. F. McCarty is building an addition to his dwelling house.

EAST FORKS.

Chas. McIntire and Michael Collins, two of our esteemed citizens have gone to work in the mines at Bernice.

Mrs. Geo. Kester, whose recent illness has caused much anxiety among her many friends, is slowly recovering.

Wm. D. Haverly, one of our hard working townsmen, whose age does not seem to check his industry, though 71 years are now his share, has just completed his fall work by ploughing twenty acres. Can you do better?

Carl Osthaus and wife spent Sunday at J. L. Molyneux's.

Mr. Waltman of New Albany, made a friendly call at E. R. Warburton's on Sunday.

Another visitor at E. P. Battins; Guess?

Hartley Molyneux of North Dakota, is again among old friends.

Otis Warburton, a medical student of a Wilkesbarre school of Osteopathy, is home for a short vacation.

BERNICE.

Walter Wheatley and Miss Katie Line of this place were married at the home of the bride's parents on Wednesday, November 26. After the ceremony the happy couple left on the morning train for Washington, D. C. Upon their return they will take up their residence at this place. We join with their many friends in wishing them a happy and prosperous life.

The residents living on Main St. were startled at 1 o'clock last Friday morning by the explosion of six sticks of Dynamite in the wash shanty belonging to Elmer Champlain. Fire, originating from some unknown cause resulted in the explosion which blew up the building and burned the contents consisting of several suits of clothing, boots, shoes and other things.

Mrs. Adam Baumgardner, who has been visiting at H. H. Bentleys, returned to her home at Towanda, on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Boyd of Dushore, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Taylor on Sunday.

S. W. Brown, collector and solicitor for the International Correspondence School of Scranton, was a busy caller in town on Friday.

J. H. W. Crawford, former Asst. Supt. of the S. L. & S. R. R. Co.'s interests at this place, and wife enjoyed a pleasant farewell visit from relatives and friends on Saturday evening. They will remove to Philadelphia in the near future where a fine position awaits Mr. Crawford.

LOPEZ.

The greatest shot of the season is our professor. He killed twenty six birds in two days, but his dog is now dead.

Mrs. F. L. Campbell is spending a few weeks at Buffalo.

H. W. McKibbins is visiting in Wilkesbarre.

Misses Mason and Hileman spent Sunday at the home of F. W. Parrish.

There has been a big kick here on account of there not being any Lopez news in the News Item, so you may kick the reporter after this if he misses a week.

Miss Celia Cuminski spent Sunday at Ithaca.

Some of our young people had a big time on Saturday evening at South Brook, where they attended the birthday party of Wm. Herd.

C. Reitzel and wife moved from this place to West Virginia, last week.

Strangle to say, but not a deer has been killed here this season. We wonder what "Brock" has been doing.

By the looks of things we will have our county bridge when summer comes again.

The first snow of the season fell Sunday night to a depth of 5 inches.

W. M. Parrish of Beaumont, was doing business here Monday.

C. H. Jennings of Elk Lick, Pa. is spending a few days here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McGee have taken a permanent boarder in the shape of a young daughter who arrived Sunday evening. Also Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Housewert were more than happy over the arrival of a son and daughter on the same date.

RICKETTS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Campbelle of Elmira, N. Y. spent Thanksgiving with relatives here. Mr. Campbelle returned to his home Friday morning and Mrs. Campbelle will remain a few days for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Meyers of Glen Mawr visited at Henry Edkins last week.

The dance in the Hall on Thanksgiving night was well attended and a nice time is reported.

The taffy and pop corn social was given by the P. O. S. of A. and their families on Thanksgiving night was an enjoyable affair, and every one present was just as sweet as could be.

A. B. Kilmer Esq. took kindly to the prevailing distemper, and was kept indoors a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Smith of Elenton, spent Thanksgiving with the

latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Kilmer.

Miss Viola Brown of Canton, is at home for a few days vacation.

Mr. Ulysses Bird of Estella was a business man in town Saturday.

Work on Mr. Lorenzo Brown's house is progressing rapidly and when completed will make a fine residence. Mr. Brown expects to occupy the same next spring.

Herbert Hill of Elmira, spent Thanksgiving with his parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Caseman, of Grover, returned home Saturday from a visit to the former's mother here, who has been sick for some time.

SHUNK.

Mr. Chas. Williams left last week to accept a position on the Wilkesbarre and Eastern railroad.

Mr. J. H. Houser left this week to accept a position with the same road.

Mr. Hayes Biggar has gone to Ontario, N. Y. to work in a machine shop there.

M. Zaner and family, formerly of Ricketts, passed through town last week on their way from Ringoes, N. J. to Laporte where they will reside.

Mr. G. J. Heintzleman made a flying trip to Hazleton, Ashley and Wilkesbarre last week.

Rev. J. M. Smeltzer returned last week from a trip to Philadelphia.

Mr. Geo. Meeks returned Monday with a large buck deer secured on his hunting trip to Monroe county.

Resolutions of Sullivan County Bar Association.

At a meeting of the Sullivan County Bar Association held at Laporte on Tuesday the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, that the Sullivan County Bar Association endorse the candidacy of Hon. E. M. Dunham, President Judge of the Forty-fourth Judicial District, for appointment to the bench of the Superior Court, to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of the Hon. John I. Mitchell. And we respectfully, but earnestly urge His Excellency, William A. Stone, Governor, to make this appointment."

The resolution, together with a petition signed by every member of the Bar has been forwarded to the Governor.

FOUND FINE VEIN OF COAL.

F. W. Meylert Esq. of Laporte, and Dr. William F. Randall of Dushore recently came into possession of a tract of land in the vicinity of Bernice. Believing it to be coal land they proceeded to determine whether or not coal existed. They have been rewarded in their search by the discovery of a five foot vein of fine coal. The land is advantageously situated for getting the coal to market, and they expect soon to open a drift upon the premises and furnish coal to the local trade. The land adjoins the lands of the State Line & Sullivan Railroad Company.

At the residence of the bride's parents at Ricketts, Pa., Mr. James M. Travis and Miss Lucy J. Sluyter, both of Ricketts, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony at high noon Saturday, November 29, by Rev. J. F. Hower of Lopez. Mr. Leroy R. Shaffer was best man, and Miss Jennie A. Randall was bridesmaid. Immediately after the wedding ceremony the guests partook of a bounteous wedding dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Travis have the best wishes of the entire community. They will reside at Ricketts.

Report of Sugar Point school, of Laporte Twp., for third month of school term: No of pupils enrolled, boys 11, girls 14, total 25. Average attendance for month 23, percentage of attendance, boys 96, girls 97. The following pupils have attended each day of term: Rena Hunter, Edith Flester, Katharine Peters, Clara Traugh, Mable Hunter, Nellie Hunter, Lizzie Peterman, Marie Peterman, Hattie Traugh, Iva Hess, Fay Hess, Robbie Hunter, Charlie Mosteller, Stanley May.

May Mencer, Teacher