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Nothing in Town to Compare With  
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You for the Low Price Asked.

Quality and moderate prices makes a force that irresistibly draws into our store the best patronage of this section. Many years here in business, always with a full line of goods above suspicion; chosen with a care and judgment commensurate with its desirability and adaptability to refine taste, makes our store a safe place to invest.

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

No Place Like this Place  
For Reliable

**STOVES and RANGES,**  
COAL OR WOOD  
**HEATERS;**

ONE OF WINTER'S GREAT DELIGHTS.

House Furnishing Goods, Tools of Every  
Description, Guns and Ammunition.

Bargains that bring the buyer back.  
Come and test the truth of our talk.

A lot of second hand stoves and ranges for sale cheap.  
We can sell you in stoves anything from a fine Jewel Base  
Burner to a low priced but satisfactory cook stove.

Hot Air, Steam and Hot Water Heating and  
General Repairing, Roofing and Spouting.

**Samuel Cole, Dushore, Pa.**

**The Shopbell Dry Good Co.,**  
313 Pine Street,  
WILLIAMSPORT, PA.

**Stylish Spring  
Dress Fabrics.**

Our stock of Black and Colored Dress Goods is very  
large and attractive at the present time, and our prices  
we believe the very lowest in the city for equal value.

38 inch all wool Albatross in all the  
new Spring Shades. This is a firm, fine  
fabric of extra good quality, for 50c.

All wool Granite in a good line of col-  
ors, including black, at 50c.  
We are showing some good values in  
black and white, and navy and white  
small checks at 40c and 50c.

38-inch navy blue and black Snow  
Flake and Scotch Mixtures. These are  
desirable fabrics at 50c.

Mohairs and Sicilians are the popular  
materials for Shirtwaist Suits. We have  
a good line of plain colors, also navy and  
black with white dots and stripes at 50c  
and 75 cents. Navy blue Cheviot 36 to 54  
inches wide, ranging from 39c up to \$1.50

Prunellas in all the staple shades. This  
is an excellent fabric for medium weight  
suits and an excellent value for one dollar.  
Mistrals, Etamines, Voiles and a variety  
of thin sheer materials in navy, tan  
and gray at 50c to 1.50

White wool materials are very fashion-  
able this season for full dresses and waists  
We have some good qualities of white or  
cream Mohairs, Albatross, Mistrals, Crepe  
de Chine, Bedford Cord, Stripe Batiste, etc

**THE SHOPBELL DRY GOOD CO.**

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## ESTELLA.

Homer Benninger is moving his family from Lopez back to Estella, where he will do blacksmithing and wagon repairing.

Miss Mary Mulnix is working for Mrs. John Heess.

Mrs. Ernest Kay has gone to Idaho to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. McIntire.

Mrs. James Northrop of Long Valley, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. B. Wheatley.

Last Saturday evening the lamps in the chicken brooder belonging to John W. Brown, exploded and set fire to the brooder and totally destroyed it. All the chickens were killed, numbering nearly one hundred. The fire was luckily discovered in time to save the building.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle will meet at J. Ellis Browns the second Thursday in May. All are invited.

Lewis Rosback is laying the foundation for a new dwelling. W. C. Weatly is doing the mason work.

There was a bee at G. E. Wheatly's last Thursday for the purpose of tearing down the old barn in order to use the timbers in his new and commodious structure.

Some of our farmers have their oats sowed while others are just preparing the ground.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. More Sundayed at Thomas Tomkins.

Mrs. T. Tomkins is in quite poor health.

J. J. Webster has purchased a pair of fine horses from the late Weiss Helme's estate for the consideration of \$400.

Mrs. James Branchley and daughter Belle, visited at Mrs. Mores on Friday last.

## SHUNK.

Although the water has been pretty high and very cold for trout fishing, some fine specimens have been caught.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe McKee of Grover spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Swingle.

John Williams from the West is visiting relatives here.

J. A. Boardman of Elmira, was a business man in town last week.

William Foster has moved into Sam Leonard's vacant house.

Will Hosier and Miss Zoia Sargent were married Wednesday, April 15, at the home of the bride, by A. B. Kilmer Esq.

Mr. James Bagley and daughter, of Leroy, Pa., visited at Wm. Bagley Saturday last.

## MUNCY VALLEY.

Rev. Ash preached a fine sermon to a large congregation on Sunday.

Quite a number of our boys are going to the bark woods this week to work for jobber T. L. Johnson.

Charles Green has moved into the Temple house on Muncy street.

Wm. McFadden who was burned with vitriol at the tannery two weeks ago, has entirely recovered, and not losing the sight of his eyes, as reported.

Chas. E. Crawley was a business visitor at Nordmont last Monday.

Supt. Miller purchased a fine horse of Dr. Voorhees, last week.

The Misses Cunningham and O' Brian of Dushore, spent Saturday with Miss Marcella Farrell.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Taylor, a daughter.

Jacob Herr, the Laporte clothier was in town Sunday.

Floyd Dunham and Miss Bernice Burkholder of Eagles Mere spent a few hours in town last Friday.

Mrs. Maggie Fries of Laporte, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Donovan, last Monday.

Everybody is wondering why Pete feels so bad.

Jas. P. Magargle attended the Easter Ball at Dushore.

As a sequel to the refusal of the men to work nine hours on Saturday last, a lockout was inaugurated at the collieries of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron company, in the anthracite regions, on Monday morning, and 30,000 men and boys are idle. No explanation accompanied the action of the company. The men were simply told "There's no work."

## COUNTY NEWS

### Happenings of Interest to Readers

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

## EAGLES MERE.

Wm. Walter Trappe, the Plumber, who has purchased the Brush cottage is here and ready for any business in his line.

At the last regular meeting of the Borough Council it was decided to erect an entirely new bridge across the Outlet on Lakewood Drive, and the Engineer was instructed to immediately draw plan for same. The bridge will be well built and will be an ornament to the town.

It is said that the authorities will open Millin avenue, so as to connect with the Sones railroad, back of the Chataqua. The opening of this street will make it possible to get lumber hauled from the Sones Works at a reasonable figure; as it is now the lumber has to come to town via the Chataqua extension of the railroad, which adds greatly to the cost.

We are to have a new school house and a graded school, the Directors have so decided at their last meeting. Let us see, who was it said that ladies would not make progressive school directors?

Street Commissioner Moyer, starts in well. Every property owner (including a Councilman or two) having board walks out of repair, has been notified to fix same at once or costs will be made. This is as it should be, for really, we cannot afford \$20,000 damage suits every year and expect to build new school houses, too.

Work has been commenced on one of the one hundred thousand gallon stand pipes for the Water Company. It is expected that this tank will be ready to hold water by the first of June, possibly before. In spite of that peculiar, mysterious, unusual croak of the frogs this spring, Capt. Chase has turned the water in the mains. The Capt. was warned by one of the oldest members of the Post Office club, not to do so, as the member never knew of its failing to freeze up tight, when this peculiar croak was heard. But the Capt. went right on.

Many new faces are seen on our streets, and it seems safe to declare that Eagles Mere's winter sleep is over and that from now until fall those who want to work can find it.

Everybody seems to be glad to see Mr. B. G. Welch at Eagles Mere again last Wednesday. He has returned from a six weeks visit to Philadelphia.

Everything around the Mere indicates an early spring. The grass is covering the ground with a coat of green, trees are budding and it needs but a few warm days to make everybody forget that there was any winter.

Everybody is figuring on what will be done in the way of a house warming when Clarence Dunham's new cottage is ready for a move-in.

Butcher Albertson has purchased the Dr. Randall cottage and is occupying it. He is evidently here to stay and make money.

George Montgomery is occupying the dwelling part of the Spencer store and Miss Covert will be in the store-room again next summer. Mr. Montgomery will rent sleeping rooms to summer guests.

With the improvements promised at the railroad station the Lily Pond will also go in service but without the Lillies. Some one has suggested a Victoria Regia as the leading attraction.

There is a rumor current that the Auditorium at Chataqua is to be moved farther to the rear of the grounds and will cease to be an Eagles Mere attraction and cater only for the guests in the Chataqua grounds.

Repairs to sidewalks are very much in evidence and the door will be locked now before any more horses get out and inaugurate damage suits for defective walks.

Landlord Laird of The Raymond has formed a partnership with Mrs. Laird's brother, Mr. Chas. W. Reeder of Hughesville, and it will very much strengthen the staff for the greatly increased business of the coming season.

Chief Burgess Peale has the log train at work on the Eagles Mere R. R. and is doing a rushing business. He will have a full stock for this season.

The new wing added to John Haymen's cottage is completed and is a decided improvement.

Contractor A. C. Little has greatly added to the looks of Mrs. C. C. McCormick's cottage by placing an addition to the eastern end and by putting the entire inside in thorough repair. Frank Little is in charge of the work.

The improvement committee of the Eagles Mere Land Company, has not yet been up to lay out the work for removing their old ice house from the hundred foot reserve to a more convenient and less conspicuous place. Truth is, those fellows "down country" don't think that we have yet thawed out. This is to notify them that we have, and that we are willing to stand around and watch them make improvements on the boat and bath houses, or on any other "old thing" they may feel able to.

A number of the head men of the Eagles Mere railroad were in town the other day, planning what to do in the way of fixing up things about the railroad station etc. We have it on good authority that the station improvements promised the Business Men's League last fall will be carried out. A member of the Post Office Club came back from watching the railroad gentlemen walking around the station while planning the improvements, shaking his head and looking very glum. When asked the trouble, he said: "Well, if I ran this dinged town I would have that depot chained down and keep er couple of fellers with loaded shot guns around that air depot night and day. That's what I would. Just mark my words I believe we will lose that air buildin'."

If it wasn't a little sad, it would really be amusing. We mean the position many country newspapers are taking on the Salus Libel bill. The big dailies of the city are printing right out in big letters the names of the country newspapers which will say something mean about the bill, and in return they say something nice about the country editor and tell what a great influence his paper has. In ordinary times this quoted below is what the city editor teaches his readers about the kind of news the country newspaper furnishes its readers. We quote:

"The following items recently appeared in the weekly—'Jane— has purchased a new red parasol with red silk tassels which look very pretty when she walks along the street and the wind is blowing hard enough to make them wave.—'Jake B— is building a new pig pen. Bet his nice white Chester pigs like Jake better than ever.—'Who was that fellow sitting on the church steps Sunday night with a bundle of calico in his arms.—'The yearly donation party to Rev. P.— who is so well beloved by all christians here amounted to four dollars & something.—'Little Willie dead and gone. And poor poor papa is all alone. Oh all wicked things is wrong. And we must all atone.'"

This is a good example of the way the country newspaper is quoted when its influence is not wanted. Then again the daily helps (?) the country newspaper is another way. It selects from its pages throughout the week all articles likely to be of interest to the country man, and sells him a 16 page paper of well selected reading at a price per year below what the country newspaper man has to pay his "devil" for rolling forms for one issue of his paper. Why a respectable country news-

paper, which never caricatures its neighbors or public men—unless one might call the photographs of the persons cured by some advertisers' remedies, caricatures—can object to stopping yellow journals of the cities ridiculing by pictures and false statements the brightest and best men of our land, beats your correspondent. As it is now any pipe-dreaming reporter can accuse you or any one of any crime and insert pictures at head of column and go on and claim to prove that the right man is at last in the toils. When necessary to take back what they have published, two or three lines inserted in the column devoted to advertising "The morphine habit cured, Pennyroyal Pills, Disease of men, Pure Malt Whiskies Etc., is all that is necessary.

Ridicule and laugh as you will, but the country newspaper is an educator and goes to the family circle with good clean respectable reading, and it is in no way injured by this new libel bill, as it only hits the yellow fellows who seek to ruin and destroy any person not agreeing with them or their policy.

## DUSHORE.

C. F. Lilley was called to Elmira on Saturday by the serious illness of his son-in-law Jesse Mathews.

Wash Randall spent Sunday with friends in town.

Miss Mollie Rogers of Estella, visited at C. E. Molyneux's last week.

Miss Maud Bleiler spent Sunday with friends at Millview.

Prof. Roselle's street entertainment on Friday and Saturday was decidedly novel. His evening exhibitions were good. While some doubt his ability as a mind reader we have heard none question it who saw the evening performance. As a hypnotist none can doubt him whatever.

Miss Jennie Vaughn was called to Wilkes Barre on Monday to see a relative who is very ill.

Jesse Mathews a former resident of this place died at Elmira on Sunday last of consumption. The funeral was held at this place.

D. J. Moore has accepted the position as cook with Mr. Paulhamus in West Virginia.

The tree planter in hard luck again. A few days ago while leisurely strolling a back street he espied an article of value which he thought would come handy in his business. After a thorough examination he concluded it would be easy to procure it after sundown and continued his stroll. Unfortunately for him the owner saw the performance and decided that there might be something doing later; and as the shades of night were drawn he and a neighbor hid themselves behind a convenient board pile. Soon cautious steps were heard approaching; a stop; a look; a listen; everything quiet. Quietly lifting it to his shoulder—Biff! A rock; a thud; a leap; something dropped; and a black streak was seen disappearing down the alley. Again all was quiet. Noting the line of flight the watchers separated and conducted a still hunt and succeeded in locating him hiding in some weeds and logs. Swish! A curl of the legs like a porcupine on the defense; Biff! a yell. He crawled out, threw up his hands and gracefully surrendered.

Messrs Chas. Funston and Atty. W. P. Shoemaker, of Laporte, were transacting business in town one day last week.

Prothonotary T. E. Kennedy was in town last week.

Saylor Lawrence, who is employed in Punxatawny, visited his parents in this place over Sunday.

Editor Taylor of the Albany Mirror was seen in town last week.

Hon. E. G. Rogers of Lincoln Falls, was in town Monday.

Mrs. Geo. Hayman and daughter of New Albany visited friends in this place last week.

A fire company is being organized.

The epidemic of small pox at Slate Run and in the lumber camps in the Black forest is becoming extremely alarming to the health authorities of Lycoming county, who are taking every possible precaution to keep the disease from entering other districts.