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This Is the Place  
To Buy Your Jewellery.

Nothing in Town to Compare With  
the Quality that We are Giving  
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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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.

Commencing July 6th, this store will close Wednesday afternoon at 12:30, and every other day except Saturday at 5 p.m. during July and August.

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

Summer Comfort at Little Cost.

On the threshold of Summer now and a store teeming with fresh, crisp merchandise suited to hot weather wear, Summer outfitting is not a very costly business now-a-days. The ready-to-wear has reached such a high state of perfection that one can buy all sorts of dainty garments for less price than you can furnish the material and have them made to your order.

#### SHIRT WAIST SUITS.

The Shirtwaist Suit is an easy first as a favorite summer costume. They are made in two parts, a stylish waist and an equally stylish skirt. The prices are astonishingly low on these suits. We have them from \$2.00 and between prices up to \$18.

#### SHIRT WAIST TIME NOW.

Here are quantities of cool sheer White Lawn and Madras waists in stripe and Jacquard figures, fresh from the best makers. The prices are merely nominal when you consider the qualities and style. It will be to your interest to make your selections from this assortment.

#### SOME WASH GOODS.

Better try to get first choice from these. They're cool dainty summer fabrics and they cost only a trifle more than the ordinary prints.

THE SHOPBELL DRYGOOD CO.

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#### DEATH OF J. T. BREWSTER.

Another War Veteran Answers the Last Bugle Call. A Brave Defender of the Stars and Stripes.

The passing away of John T. Brewster at his home in this place Thursday morning, twenty minutes after nine o'clock, closed the life pages of one of our country's brave defenders in the wars of the late rebellion.

Deceased had long been a sufferer from wounds inflicted on the battle field, which in later years made him an almost helpless invalid. Since the past winter he has been unable to leave his bed and continued to grow gradually weaker.

Further details will be given in next issue.

#### ESTELLA.

The following is the program of Bradford and Sullivan Pomona Grange No. 23 to be held at Estella, August 20, and 21, 1903. The first session will be called to order at 10 a. m. Song by Elkland Grange. Address of Welcome, L. B. Speaker. Response by Wysauking Grange. Report of delegates and deputies. Song by Captain Kilmer. Paper on Taxation, J. J. Teevan. Question box. Dinner. 1:30 p. m. singing. Recitation. What is the most profitable way for the farmer to reduce taxes, by L. Piolett. What organization has done for the farmer, Geo. M. Lyon. 5th degree 4 p. m. Session opens at 7:30 p. m. by singing. Recitation by Geo. Gates. Song by Maud Hunsinger. Address W. B. Packard. Song by Anna Beardsly. Recitation by Belle Brenchley. Question, How are we to get the most profit out of cows, J. R. Vannoy. Whistling song by Amanda Landback. Recitation by Grace Grace Packard. Song by Ellery Brown. Question box in order at all the sessions. Patrons are requested to bring their grange song books; and be prepared to make this session one of the best and most profitable ever held in this place.

J. P. Rogers has gone to Muncy to drill wells. He is in the employ of Richard Eckroyd.

Mrs. Fred Harding of Towanda, with her children are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Kaye.

The death of W. C. Rogers has cast a gloom over the entire community. Truly he was a friend to the poor, a man to be trusted in all the walks of life. The heartfelt sympathy of the people are with the lonely wife and son and aged parents.

On Sunday last Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. More, Elbert Bird and sister Ethel and Miss Dora Brown enjoyed an afternoon tea at the pleasant home of James Brenchley.

#### AND THE BAND PLAYED.

Music that Was Charming. Drank Cold Water Only.

The Picture Rocks Sunday School picnic held at Mokoma Park on Friday of last week, was accompanied by the excellent band of that place. During the afternoon they marched up to our quiet hamlet and serenaded several residences, the hotels and the News Item office. Having reasons to feel proud of their music they were not at all stingy of it and music lovers expressed gladness that they were not. Band master J. R. Edler is easily recognized as a highly cultured instructor and musician. His players are instructed to drink nothing but cold water which fact, no doubt, accounts largely for their ability and bright attainments. They refused cordial invitations extended them at the hotels, but while giving the News Item some choice selections, called upon the Editor for water. The very best to be secured was gladly furnished them and they drank of its cooling freshness with a natural air of satisfaction. This incident being so much out of the ordinary, their general good qualities was brought more directly to the attention of observers and their deportment on every hand spoke volumes of goodness on behalf of prohibition discipline. Their quiet, courteous and gentlemanly manners excited that of another aggregation ever visiting Mokoma Park. There is no light on these stated facts and examples have the privilege of

#### COUNTY NEWS

Happenings of  
Interest to Readers

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

#### EAGLES MERE.

We feel like saying, "We told you so!" The reader will remember that we said that it would take more than faith to move that R. R. track on Eagles Mere avenue. It did. It took a number of stout workmen and working orders from general manager Townsend. Well, the track is up and the whole street graded in fine shape with a good quality of red shale. Of course it is none of the P. O. Club's business, but they feel so good over the matter that they will celebrate some fine evening in August with an old fashion corn roast and a taffy pull. Everyone connected with the railroad and the League is to be invited and a "Forgive and Forget and Love me again Willie" function will be given. If the Borough officials widen the street as they should, and the Land company fixes the walk as they should, they too, will be asked to join in the celebration. Oh, but it will be a glorious uplifting time when these big guns get to dancing around the camp fire, and if it don't settle the weather it will soon stun the gnats that the members of the P. O. Club can go in swimming in an easy unceremonious attire.

It is said to be very dangerous to butt in and try to stop the car of progress. We have people right here, however, who are willing to take chances. That they have not long since been killed, is probably owing to the fact that cars don't have a very swift gate in these parts.

The girls are so pretty, and the bathing suits so natty, that the P. O. Club finds that the most convenient place for getting the members together for a meeting, is in the tall bushes back of the bathing grounds. Post offices, barber shops and peanut roasters no longer attracts the progressive inquiring member.

The P. O. Club is making arrangements for a grand re-union picnic sometime next month. It is not yet decided whether they will buy an automobile or rent a boat for that day.

That Fishing creek Democrats are "easy" is proven by the way Monsieur Bogart is used. All know how the P. O. club treated him, and that was mean enough, but during the Bible Conference he was coaxed into breaking the Sabbath by shaving a chap on Sunday, that said chap might make a neat appearance at the meeting. After he was shaved the gentleman handed Bogart a bright piece of lead looking much like a genuine quarter, and hurried off to the Bible class. On examining the piece it read, "The wages is Death." Bogart is mighty glad that the man did not put him to death then and there, but thinks he might about as well have done it, for such treatment is about to kill him sooner or later anyhow.

The Bucks-Wood Road people are putting forth strenuous efforts to make their road a glittering success, and have gone into the passenger traffic business. The small sum of \$2 will be charged for carrying a full-grown trunk over the line, and each trunk will be permitted to have one full grown attendant carried free to keep said trunk from the baggage smasher. Hand baggage and little trunks will be charged at the same rate but a child and a nurse can be checked through on the same ticket. Persons traveling without baggage, however, will be expected to walk the heavy grades, push the train around the sharp curves, carry water for hot boxes and generally assist the pass-accepting passengers in getting the train to its destination. On damp mornings persons desiring to pick berries or to botanize along the line, will please mention that fact to the conductor when first entering the train, and a man will be sent on ahead to wipe off and have the bush-

es nice and dry by the time the Express reaches the patch.  
A gentleman from Philadelphia stopped at one of our prominent Hotels the other day. He said he had often heard of Eagles Mere and so came up for a change and rest. On leaving he said the place was all right as advertised, but the Hotel clerk got the "change" and the proprietor got the "rest."

#### DUSHORE.

Miss Kantassel of New York City and Miss Mollie Rogers of Estella, visited relatives here Sunday.

The remains of Chris Ill, a former resident of this place, were brought here for burial Saturday. Funeral on Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Dieffenbach of Colley visited at P. W. Hunsingers this week.

Merton Hunsinger of Sayre spent Sunday with his parents at this place. Miss Flick, chief of the telephone system at Hughesville, is visiting Miss Maud McHenry.

Quite a frost here Tuesday morning.

Prof. Adolph Carpe of Pittsburg, lately professor of music at the Boston Conservatory, is the guest of Dr. Hermann.

The site for the silk mill has been selected and purchased from Nathan Persun on Carpenter street. Work on it is to commence soon.

Mr. and Mrs. James Cunningham Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hoffa and Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Heverly are fishing at Lake Carey, Wyoming county.

Miss Bessie Mingo of Monroeton is visiting friends at this place.

#### LOPEZ.

The people of this quiet town awoke Sunday morning to find that some time during Saturday night a bold robbery had been committed at the store of D. J. Finklestein. The robbers secured clothing, shoes and watches to the amount of over two hundred dollars. We understand that Mr. Finklestein has offered a reward of \$25 for the arrest of the robbers.

E. K. Sturdevant of Lacyville, is in town looking up some of his old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Saxer visited friends at Wilmot, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bryant of Binghamton and Miss Kahnle of Wilmot, visited at James Sweeney's last week.

There were three new arrivals in town last week: a young son at the home of C. A. Johnson, a daughter at the home of W. J. Carrington, and a son at the home of Fred Leyford.

The Excursion to Harvey's Lake on Sunday took one hundred and thirty people out of town.

Mr. H. B. Lewis, after a ten days visit with his parents at Syracuse, N. Y., returned Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Winslow and Mrs. Geo. Brown of California, visited at Chas. Schocks last week.

Prof. Seitz of Shrewsbury, Pa., has accepted the principalship of the Lopez High School.

#### RICKETTS.

Paul J. Barnhart, the two year old son of C. M. Barnhart, died early Sunday morning after an illness of 12 hours of cholera infantum. Rev. Hower of Lopez conducted the funeral services on Tuesday. Interment was made in Bahr's cemetery.

Rev. J. M. Smeltzer preached Sunday morning and evening.

Geo. J. Trexler is away on his vacation visiting relatives and friends.

F. A. Caster, F. A. Kelder and Mr. Boyd spent Sunday at Mr. Boyd's home at Alderson.

Eighty people from this place participated in the excursion to Harvey's Lake on Sunday.

#### HON. W. C. ROGERS DEAD.

Former Republican Assemblyman and Ex-Associate Judge Passed Peacefully Away Saturday Morning.

It becomes the News Item's sad duty this week to chronicle the sudden and untimely death of Hon. William C. Rogers, of Forksville. The death of Mr. Rogers removes from our midst a most useful and respected citizen and the entire county has sustained an irreparable loss. For several months Mr. Rogers had been in poor health but his condition was not considered alarming until a few weeks ago. The best of medical aid was summoned and it was finally decided that only an operation could save his life. He was taken to the Pennsylvania University Hospital in Philadelphia about two weeks ago and after a few days rest submitted to an operation by one of the most skillful surgeons in the country. But the most consummate surgical skill proved unavailing and shortly after midnight last Friday he breathed his last.

William Channing Rogers was the eldest son of Hon. M. A. Rogers of Forksville. He was born in 1859 and with the exception of the time spent while in attendance at school his entire life has been lived in this county. During his early manhood he assisted his father in carrying on the extensive mercantile business at Forksville. Shortly after graduation he took a permanent position in the store and later became a partner in the business which his father had established and ably managed for many years. For almost twenty years the firm of M. A. Rogers & Son has been recognized as one of the most reliable, progressive and ably conducted mercantile establishments in this section of the state. Mr. Rogers had rare business tact and ability and he gave the business the full benefit of his energy and good judgment. His courteous, honorable methods of business gained for him the esteem of all, and his genial disposition and splendid personal qualities made him exceedingly popular. Although a very busy man Mr. Rogers took a keen interest in everything pertaining to progress and development along business and political lines. He kept pace with all that transpired in these fields of activity and was one of the most extensive readers and well versed men on public affairs to be found anywhere. His leisure hours were always profitably spent with his papers, magazines and books, and the field of literature was both a delightful and familiar one to him.

Twice Mr. Rogers was called by his fellow citizens to public positions of honor and trust. In 1886 when but twenty-seven years of age, although the candidate of the minority party in this county, he was elected as Representative to the State Legislature and served his county with credit and fidelity. In 1899 he was appointed by Governor Stone as Associate Judge to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. C. Kraus. In every position he was called upon to fill, as well as in business and private life, he performed his duties ably and honorably.

Mr. Rogers was a consistent member of the M. E. church and his life was an exemplification of christian manhood. He was also connected with several social organizations. The funeral services were in charge of the Knight Templar branch of the Masonic order and were beautiful and impressive. The manifest sorrow shown by the large concourse of people who followed the remains to their last resting place and the expressions of regret and sympathy heard upon every side show the feeling of personal loss sustained by the community and county.

Besides the bereaved widow Mr. Rogers leaves to survive him a son, Guy M. Rogers, now in college, his parents, Hon. M. A. Rogers and wife, two brothers, Dr. Chas. Rogers of Towanda and Arthur Rogers of Forksville, and one sister, Mrs. Josephine Stevens. To them the heart felt sympathy of the entire community is extended in their sorrow and bereavement.