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This Is the Place
To Buy Your Jewellery.

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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No Place Like this Place
For Reliable

STOVES and RANGES,
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HEATERS;

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House Furnishing Goods, Tools of Every
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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
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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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SONESTOWN.

Dr. C. D. Voorhees and wife have left town for a short stay. They will return in an automobile which has been built this summer for them.

Mrs. Andrew Edgar and daughter and Wm. Robbins and family on Monday attended the funeral of a little child of R. P. Laird at Nordmont. The services were conducted by Rev. Biggs of Sonestown.

Mrs. L. K. Freas and Mrs. R. W. Simmons spent Sunday at Eagles Mere.

Frank Magargle has taken possession of the Swank Hotel, and the Swank family are moving to Muncy Valley, where they have purchased the house formerly owned by W. J. Moran.

Mrs. A. T. Armstrong was the guest of her mother at Strawbridge on Monday.

The P. O. S. of A. Convention was quite largely attended, delegates from all parts of the county being present. The Sonestown camp treated their guests to ice cream that had been ordered from Williamsport by the members of the E. V. church, who held a supper and festival that evening. A very enjoyable time was spent and Sonestown extends a very cordial invitation to the visitors to come again.

A festival will be held Aug. 15, by the Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church. All are invited.

Miss Hazel Parker of Hughesville is visiting her parents here.

DIATT.

Miss Jennie McCarty met with a serious accident one day last week while picking cherries a limb broke causing her to fall to the ground, breaking both arms above the wrists and painfully bruising herself. Dr. Davies was summoned to attend the injured young lady.

The foundation for the new school house near here is completed. Mr. Rosbach of Estella has the contract for building.

Mr. A. T. Shattuck has purchased a new threshing outfit and expects to start out soon.

Louise C. Brackman is spending a few days in Philadelphia.

BETTER BUSINESS METHODS

Saving the Wastes on the Farm an Important Matter.

Some one has said that if he could have what was wasted on an average American farm he could live in comfort. This, I fear, is only too true of the average farmer. He does not make a study of his business. While hundreds of dollars' worth of the best liquid fertilizer is running to waste in his barns, or under the eaves of it, he is buying commercial fertilizer at \$30 to \$40 per ton to enrich his land. While nature has given him rich and fertile land he too often sees an alluring bag of gold in the bountiful yield of hay and does not realize that he is robbing his land of fertility when he sells hay.

These and a thousand other wastes on the farm are brought to the farmer's notice by the discussions in the grange, and the farmer must be dull indeed who does not reap some benefit from them. A fair and just exchange of the commodities of the farm for those of the factory, the mine and the professional man must come about through better business methods. The farmer should act with others of his own profession and at least devote as much energy to marketing his crop as to producing it.

There are many causes to remove before agriculture will receive a fair and just return for the capital and labor invested in the industry, but the removal of these causes lies in the hands of the farmer himself. He must co-operate with others in improving his business methods and must apply the same thought, energy and business ability to agriculture that are applied to any other industry.—George A. Fuller.

Cold Feet.

Cold feet are a sign of disordered circulation. Continual warming with artificial heat is but temporizing with the evil, and the difficulty should be overcome by proper dressing when that is in fault and by foot and ankle exercises. The latter can be taken at frequent intervals during the day, and they will assist in stimulating the circulation of the blood. Point the toes down to the extreme limit till you feel the muscles strain over the ankles and work the feet up and down eight or ten times; then devitalize them and shake them from the ankle, as one does the hand with a loose wrist. Sufferers from cold feet in bed can quickly warm them by this exercise, and it will bring relief and comfort during a long ride.

COUNTY NEWS Happenings of Interest to Readers

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

EAGLES MERE.

Friends of Silas Henry have for some time been trying to have him made a member of the P. O. Club. But his fate is sealed now! His remarks to the News Item, endeavoring to injure the Club's credit, will make the efforts of his friends in his behalf useless. It seems very unkind of Mr. Henry too, when one thinks of the hours he has spent in warming his toes around the Club's stoves, to say nothing of the discussions he has entered in and listened to without costing him a cent. Well, its all up with Silas now and just as the Club is adding an old maids auxiliary to play "Ring around Rosa" with the old bachelor members.

We can hardly credit the story that one of our citizens is raising whiskers just to avoid a scrape with Monsieur Bogart.

Country "Jakes" may sometimes rubber neck the tall buildings in the cities and even buy an occasional Gold Brick, but they don't try to pull the plug from the hydrants to mail a letter, and then complain about the poor letter mailing accommodations. Some city chaps do.

The pernicious habit of picnic parties tying horses to the bushes near the Lake, to destroy the shrubbery and to be pestered by flies, was the cause of the death of a fine horse last Saturday afternoon. After fighting flies several hours the horse broke its fastenings and deliberately trotted into the Lake, carriage and all, and was drowned. It was said to be a young and valuable animal. The accident—or possibly suicide, took place near the ice house belonging to the Land Company. The ice house belonging to the Land Company, is situated near the Lake on the one hundred foot reserve deeded to the public, has bulging sides, a leaky roof and really looks like "thunder." It is said that the horse came to the surface once and seeing the ice house full in the face, deliberately held his head under the water until life was extinct. So its hard to say from the evidence now at hand whether it was accident or suicide.

Mr. Phillips is anxious to take a photograph of the P. O. Club, hoping thereby to become the official Eagles Mere photographer.

In former years to get a caddy for the day on the golf links one had to pay about as much as the express charges amount to on a ten pound package from Hughesville. However, this year the management has changed the rate and one can get a caddy at the same rate per hour as an ordinary day laborer gets, and caddy is not allowed to keep the balls he finds. This is a decided improvement.

RICKETTS.

Mr. and Mrs. George Whipple a happy over the arrival of a daughter on July 26.

Mr. Turrell has gone on an extensive trip to the West.

Mr. Ray Zener was in town this week looking after the interests of the News Item.

Be sure and join the A. D. K.

Mrs. Sage of Rummertfield has been visiting her sister Mrs. Reinhart.

Mr. Chas. Carpenter was visiting friends at Jamison City last week.

Miss Emma Stouch is visiting at Place's.

Don't forget to become an A. D. K.

The Lumber Company is using only one engine now.

Mr. C. M. A. Boyd spent Sunday at Alderson.

Ask Manley Hoyt if he saw a rattle snake.

Don't forget the A. D. K. meeting Wednesday evening.

Rev. Hower preached to a large congregation Sunday evening. The second of his series on "Stop, Look and Listen."

DUSHORE.

Mrs. Harry Biggar of Ricketts, spent Sunday at this place.

Sam Cole and family and B. Kline and family spent Sunday with Colley friends.

Miss Francis MacAsee of Philadelphia, is visiting Miss Etta Bahl. John Gibbs lost one of his team horses a few days ago.

Mrs. Nellie Newland of Sayre is visiting relatives at this place.

Ray McCarty has accepted a position as salesman at Pealers drug store.

Harry Patton and family of Sayre are visiting at Geo. Streb's.

Miss Mayme Cunningham of Scranton, is visiting her parents at this place.

Miss Cora Lilly of Elmira, is visiting her parents here.

Jacob Hoffa who has been in poor health for some time, died on Thursday last, aged 75 years. Interment at Thrasher's cemetery on Sunday.

Mrs. Alice P. Scherff and children of Philadelphia, are visiting Miss Amanda Zener at this place.

Mr. Geo. C. Coolbaugh of Bernice visited his parents here over Sunday.

SHUNK.

Mrs. W. H. Fanning and son Herold are spending a week with relatives in Elmira.

Mrs. T. W. Hartraft and Miss Edna Pitcher of Canton, were guests last week of Mrs. John Swingle.

A young son came to gladden the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arch Morgan Wednesday, July 29.

Fred Letts and sister Miss Jessie who are working at Laquin, spent Sunday with their parents.

M. T. Shattuck and daughters are visiting relatives at Medix Run, Pa. John Kennedy of Elmira, spent Sunday with his family here.

Miss Anna Porter who has been spending her vacation with her parents here left Monday to resume her work in Elmira.

Reubin Henry of Towanda has rented the blacksmith shop of J. P. Kilmer, and began work last week.

Ezra and John Williams of East Canton, are visiting relatives here.

The Misses Watts of East Canton, wheeled to town one day last week to visit friends.

A. E. Campbell was on a business trip to Waverly last week.

A. E. Tripp who has been spending a few days in town left Monday for Laquin where he has a fine job of carpenter work.

Mr. and Mrs. S. U. Morgan attended the birthday anniversary of the latter's mother at Lake Run Sunday.

Mrs. James Stull occupies the tenant house of Chas. Brown on Water street.

HILLSGROVE.

Owing to being lost in the woods on Pleasant stream and camping out in an old shanty inhabited by 2000 mosquitoes and living on half ripened blackberries, we were unable to dash off the Hillsgrove items last week.

Mrs. Lucy Hoffman and Mrs. Fiester visited at Estella last week.

Mr. Frank Darby of Piatt, spent several days in town this week.

Grace Hoffman is visiting at Glen Marw.

Miss Pearl Benfield of Forksville, visited at Elk Creek Sunday and Monday.

A mad dog came through here Monday. He bit several dogs and scared the inhabitants quite badly. He was chased several miles but not captured at this writing.

A surveyor is in town surveying a new route for part of the new mill creek road. The first survey made the road too steep for heavy hauling.

The Elk Creek bridge abutments are completed.

Harry Green took in the P. O. S. of A. Convention at Sonestown last week.

OBITUARY.

John T. Brewster.

John T. Brewster was born in Montrose, Susquehanna Co., Penn'a., September 2, 1837. In his youth he removed to Laporte with his uncle, Henry Shipman. He entered the office of the Sullivan Democrat as an apprentice and learned the art of printing. In 1860 he married Miss Virginia T. Green, daughter of the late John S. Green. On the breaking out of the war of the Rebellion Mr. Brewster entered as a private in Co. K, 141st Regt. P. V. He served with his regiment until May 3, 1863 when when he was shot through the thigh at the battle of Chancellorsville, a battle which was so disastrous to many of the soldiers who had enlisted from this neighborhood. Benj. M. Dunham was killed within a few feet of where Mr. Brewster fell and a little farther on Oliver King and James Speary lay where they had fallen. Mr. Brewster laid on the battle field for three days and nights without any care whatever and for fourteen days more was huddled with hundreds of other wounded men in an old barn. Being then exchanged he was removed to the hospital at Washington and as soon as possible thereafter was brought to Laporte where he had the care of his devoted wife. The wound Mr. Brewster received remained an open one to the day of his death.

After he had sufficiently recovered to engage in business he published a newspaper called the Sullivan Free Press which was first established at Laporte and afterwards removed to Dushore.

In 1874 he obtained a position in the Interior branch Government Printing office at Washington, D. C., which he retained, with various promotions for efficiency, until Oct. 1901 when his continued ill health compelled him to resign, and he returned to Laporte where he continued to reside until his death. In the year 1899 a special act of Congress was passed giving him a pension of \$50 per month in recognition of his services and the character of his wound. Mr. Brewster was distinguished not only for his bravery in the service of his country, but for his fine talent, for his loveable disposition and for his sterling integrity and loyalty. His patience under suffering was remarkable. Although every day of the last ten years of his life he was a martyr to excruciating pain, he never complained; but on the contrary, his cheerfulness and humor were such as to deceive all except those nearest to him as to the nature of the disease which was steadily wearing away his life. He entered into rest on Thursday morning, July 30, at 9:20, attended by his wife and daughter Miss Alice Brewster. The only other surviving child, Mrs. Esther M. Gregory arrived from Washington to attend the funeral services.

The funeral, which was largely attended, was held on Sunday, August 2, at the Episcopal church in this place, the services being conducted by the Rev. Eugene Heim. He was born to his resting place by his comrades in arms and his coffin was enveloped in the old flag which he had so devotedly loved and to which he had given his life. The guards of honor were Messrs Isaac Lowe, D. M. Speary and D. J. Phillips. Pall bearers—John V. Finkle, Wm. W. Loeb, Chas. R. Funston, Henry Stahl, Jos. C. Pennington, A. J. Hackley.

The particulars of a tragedy that was enacted in Albany township, Bradford county, but a few miles from Dushore, on Saturday, are being widely published by the city press. A seven-year-old boy was shot and killed by his ten-year-old brother.

A woman named Tubbs and her three boys live west of Stevenson station. Saturday morning the mother and oldest boy went to Hatch mountain after huckleberries, leaving the two younger boys at home alone. In the house was a shotgun with which the boys began playing. In a struggle for its possession the weapon was discharged, the load of shot tearing away one side of the youngest boy's face and the back of his head.