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This Is the Place
To Buy Your Jewelry.

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.

Repair work done on short notice and guaran-
teed, by skilled workmen. Your orders appreciated.

RETTENBURY,
DUSHORE, PA. The Jeweler.

**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.
Needed Things for Now.

Each one of these items are of the wanted, seasonable sort, selected
from different departments of the store.

Ladies' Oneita Combination or Union
Suits, in White and Natural Color; all
sizes and qualities, from 50c to \$1.65.

Ladies' Eiderdown Dressing Sacques,
in Plain Colors or Fancy Stripes and Per-
sian Effects. New styles, at 69c. to \$2.50

Children's Hand Crocheted Sacques, in
White, with pink and blue edge. Variety
of styles, at 50c to \$1.75.

Ladies' Black Equestrian Tights, in all
sizes, and especially good values, for \$1
\$1.35 and \$2.

French Flannel for Ladies' Shirtwaists,
in new Plain Colors. Best qualities, at
50c and 50c.

Striped Brunella Waistings, good styles
and colors, worth fully 50c, at 39c.

New shades in Albatross, Light and
Medium Dark Colors, for Shirtwaists or
Dresses. Excellent value for 50c.

Misses' Seamless Woven Tam-O-Shan-
ters, in White, Light Blue, Pink, Navy,
Cardinal, Light Gray and Oxford, at 50c
75c and \$1.

New designs in Flanneletts for Waists
and Dressing Sacques. They come in
Stripes, Dots and Figures and Persian
Effects. These are the best quality and
choicest styles, at 15c.

Men's Fleece Lined Shirts and Drawers.
The quality usually sold at 50c. We
have them in all sizes, at 39c.

Children's Fur Sets in almost endless
variety of styles. Select them now while
the stock is complete. Prices range from
\$1 to \$12.50.

The M and Nazareth Ribbed Wais-
for boys and girls. We handle three
qualities that sell from 15c, 18c and 25c.

Ladies' Knit and Crocheted Woo
Shawls, in White, Black and Colors
Quite a number of styles, at \$1 up to 2.50.

PLAID SILKS. We have just receiv-
ed a lot of New Plaid Silks and you will
say they are handsome when you see
them. Prices are \$1 and 1.25.

MUFFLERS. Have you seen the
Way Ribbed Wool Muffler? Just what
Ladies and Gentlemen need for cold
weather, and they are not expensive, only
50 cents.

White Mercerized Vestings for Ladies'
Shirtwaists. We have a large variety of
neat designs in Figures and Stripes, at
25c to 75c.

Infants' White Bedford Cord, Long
and Short Coats. Some are Plain others
neatly trimmed. Prices vary \$1.50 to 2.75.

Cords and Tassels for Pillows, either
Plain Colors or Mixed Shades. Two
qualities, in all shades, at 25c and 50c.

"No Mend Stockings" is something
new and better in Children's Hose than
you have been buying and they cost no
more. 25c a pair.

THE GRANGE

Conducted by J. W. DARROW,
Press Correspondent New York State
Grange

BENEFITS OF CO-OPERATION

These Are Not So Fully Realized as
They Might Be.
(Special Correspondence.)

One of the incidental benefits of mem-
bership in the grange is the possibility
of co-operation in the buying and sell-
ing of farm products and farm supplies.
We had almost said the advantage was
more ideal than real. In but few
granges is the co-operative idea carried
out to anything near its limit. In many
granges the idea does not exist.

That co-operation is successful among
farmers we need only to refer to two
or three well known instances to prove.
Fourteen years ago 500 Iowa farmers
combined in a regularly incorporated
organization to dispose of their prod-
ucts and to buy supplies at a reduced
rate. Their capital stock is about \$25,-
000, each share being worth \$10. None
except practical farmers may hold
shares, and no member can hold more
than ten shares. Last year they did a
business of more than \$620,000, with
an expense of less than \$4,000, and in
the total existence of the company it
has done more than \$5,000,000 worth of
business without the loss of a dollar.
A general agent manages the concern,
which buys all the products from the
members and markets them to much
better advantage than the individual
members possibly could. It buys sup-
plies for the farmer's family, home and
farm in car lots at wholesale prices and
sells them to him at just a sufficient
advance to cover the company's ex-
penses.

A co-operative organization of Dan-
ish dairy farmers may also be cited.
It was formed in 1882, and now there
are 1,057 co-operative dairies in Den-
mark, which, with their equipment,
have cost over \$7,000,000. They are
owned by about 140,000 shareholders
and receive milk from 850,000 cows.
During 1900 about 3,700,000,000 pounds
of milk were delivered to these dairies,
and the total production of butter from
them was 137,000,000 pounds at a value
of about \$36,000,000. This is doing
things on a large scale, it is true, but it
is doing them. With the spirit and the
purpose which the Iowa organization or
the Danish dairymen displayed every
in much lesser degree, what could not be
accomplished in a fraternal order like
the grange? The Pomona grange should
give more attention to co-operative buy-
ing and selling. It could make itself a
powerful commercial factor in the
county; so might the subordinate
grange in its narrower field. We preach
co-operation, but do we practice it?
A PATRON.

Making Attractive Homes.

To enhance the comforts and attrac-
tions of our homes and to strengthen
our attachment to our pursuit are
among the objects of the grange. When
we compare the homes of farmers
where there are no granges with those
where the grange is strongest we do
not have to be very keen to see a vast
difference in the surroundings. There
is a section of the state where there
is an ignorant prejudice against the
grange because it is advancing modern
ideas as applied to agriculture. In
such communities you will see the wo-
men carrying water long distances
from the well, while the men folk sit
around the kitchen, and the slops and
dishwater are thrown outside the
kitchen door for want of a drain, and
the pigpen is within ten feet of the
house, so as to be handy to feed the
hogs. No such condition exists where
there is a grange. It teaches cleanli-
ness and thrift and has been the
means of making better sanitary con-
ditions in farm homes. It means some-
thing definite when we say in our
declaration that we are banded to-
gether to enhance the beauty and com-
fort of our homes.—G. A. Fuller.

Co-operative Insurance in Ohio.

There are now said to be 112 mutual
insurance associations in Ohio, with a
total volume of risks of over \$188,000,-
000. The Patrons' Mutual, located in
Logan county, O., has been in operation
for more than twenty-four years and
has carried its members for one-ninth
of 1 per cent. There has been no effort
made to solicit members, but when an
honest and honorable man applies for
membership his application is passed
upon by the board of officers and is ac-
cepted or rejected by a vote of the
members. In this way hazardous risks
are frequently avoided and the associa-
tion has run as long as six years with-
out any losses. And in the twenty-four
years there has only been one year in
which the losses were so heavy as to
make the cost as much as it would have
been in a stock company, says one of
its members.

In spite of a big horse race at the
same hour the meeting held by the Pa-
trons on grange day, in the grange tent,
at the Worcester (Mass.) fair, was
largely attended. Attorney General
Herbert Parker was the principal
speaker. It's a good speaker who can
beat a horse race in drawing the crowd.

MUTINY ON THE GOOD SHIP.



Acquiring More Room For Increased Bus- iness Demands.

Holcombe & Lauer, the enter-
prising furniture dealers and und-
ertakers of Dushore, have pur-
chased the Farmers' Hotel property
in that place, comprising a large
frame hotel building and barn on
Mill street. They will at once put
the buildings in repair and arrange
them suitable for the use of ware
houses. Their constantly increas-
ing business has made this demand
on them and they were not slow in
providing means by which they
could better supply their extensive
trade. The purchase was made by
phone with the owner in Elmira.
It only required five minutes time
to transact the business, which
shows conclusively that they are
busy men and give but little time
to quibbling over small matters.

Thieves Gain Entrance into Postoffice. Eight Dollars Stolen.

The Bernice post office was ro-
bbed in broad daylight last Thurs-
day while the post master and store
clerks were at dinner. A 16 year
old boy named Johnson and a
Polander seeing no one about the
store in which the post office was
located, crawled through a coal
hole into the cellar, and up into
the store, where a small quantity
of cigars were taken, and into the
post office, where about eight dol-
lars was obtained from the money
drawer. They overlooked an open
safe which contained over one hun-
dred dollars in currency and dis-
turbed nothing else about the store.
The pair was soon run down by
local detectives and arrested on the
same day. They were brought to
Laporte and placed in jail to await
the action of the grand jury, but
on Thursday morning they were
removed to Wilkes Barre to answer
the charges preferred by postoffice
inspector Duryea before the United
States court.

Among the business introduced
into Congress last week was an item
from Hon. C. Fred Wright who pre-
sented a petition from Douglas Wil-
son of Towanda, asking that a spe-
cial law be passed by Congress to au-
thorize the payment of money due
him as a driver and hostler during
the War of the Rebellion. He
states that the government promised
to pay him \$25 per month, but that
he has never received any payments.
Douglas Wilson is Towanda's well
known colored debater. He is ad-
vancing in years and his friends in
Bradford county hope to see his
claim found correct and that he will
receive suitable recompense for his
service.

In an opinion handed down by
Judge Wheaton of Luzerne county,
he decided that 10 per cent is an ex-
cessive fee for an attorney to make
in the collection of a judgement note
if the lawyer hopes to live up to
what is known as the "American
standard.

ARM BROKEN THROWING BELT OFF PULLEY.

Charles Hazzen Meets With Painful
Accident in Clothespin Factory.

SONESTOWN.

The first accident to happen at the
clothespin factory occurred on Mon-
day when Charles Hazzen had the
misfortune of breaking his arm.
He was in the act of throwing off a
large eight inch belt from a pulley
while running at high speed, but
had first slackened the belt and
thought of no danger in throwing it
with his hand. In doing so his hand
was caught between the belt and
pulley, breaking his arm below the
elbow.

Miss Rita Hess spent Sunday at
Hughesville as the guest of Mrs.
John Anderson.

Frank Hazzen returned to his home
at Harrisburg, on Tuesday with a
nice lot of game such as pheasants
and rabbits but no deer. Frank
says he was close enough to one to
hear it bleat.

Miss Rita Armstrong was a Will-
iamsport visitor Saturday.

Quite a number of children are
sick in town some with chicken; pox
and others with Lagripp.

James Caven and Atty. W. P.
Shoemaker of Laporte, were in town
Tuesday.

Mrs. L. Freas entertained her
father, Mr. Welliver, and little bro-
ther of Greenwood, Saturday and
Sunday.

Mrs. Wm. Fulmer of Bunker Hill
visited her daughter Mrs. Voorhees'
on Wednesday.

Rev. I. H. Fisher Will Be Ordained.

At the Laporte Baptist Church,
Friday afternoon and evening, Dec-
ember 4th, the ordination of Rev.
I. H. Fisher will take place. The
ordination sermon will be preached
by Rev. William Ward West, of
the Erie Ave. Baptist Church, of
Williamsport, in the evening. Rev.
W. Quay Roselle of the First Ba-
ptist Church of the same city, and
others will participate in the ser-
vices. All are welcome to this in-
teresting service.

A prominent business man says
that the ordinary observer does not
stop to consider what a cool summer
means to the entire business com-
munity. It affects everything that
depends upon trade for life, and the
present slump in stocks is no doubt
due in part to the cool summer
which has made crops so uncertain.
To begin with, take the farmer. He
has had poor luck with his corn and
nearly all other crops. The mer-
chants who sell summer clothing
did not do their usual amount of
business. Summer resorts had a
short season. This means so much
money lost from circulation, and all
the mechanical trades and industries
must suffer. No one is to blame
and the only thing to do is to wait
until a real hot summer comes to
push things along again.

Many papers are printing remind-
ers that the State will withhold the
appropriation from any school dis-
trict that has failed to comply with
the compulsory education law. They
explain that the certificates sent out
by the department requires the sec-
retary of the school district applying
for an appropriation to make oath
that the compulsory education law
has been carried out in the district
named. If he cannot take such oath
the State will grant no money to
such district.

Geo. Parker, Richard and Will-
iam Hess of Benton, who are engag-
ed in the pursuit of hunting porcu-
pines in the woods near Ricketts,
had, a week ago, trapped and shot
54 porcupines, 67 muskrats, 12 coons,
2 catamounts, 8 minks and 8 wild
ducks. They are glad for the pre-
sent snow as they think it will help
their work.

RICKETTS.

William Sykes who is in the Sayre
Hospital is reported as being some
better.

The Stave Factory is running full
time now.

G. J. Heintzleman transacted busi-
ness at Laporte last week.

J. M. Zaner was a Dushore visitor
last week.

The new lodge just organized is
getting along all right. You had
better join the M. P. A.

Frank Hatch has moved his fam-
ily from New Albany to the house
vacated by Wm. May.

Geo. Harrison, the Station Agent,
spent Sunday with his parents at
Sugar Notch.

V. B. Holcomb of Dushore, tran-
sacted business here last week.

The Trexler and Terril Lumber
Company bought eight new teams
last week.

MURRAY HILL.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Little of Bell-
wood, Pa. visited Mr. and Mrs. M.
Collins last Sunday.

Mr. John Hassen Sr. of Laporte,
visited friends at this place last
Wednesday.

Mrs. William Welsh of this place
has gone to Costella to see her father
John McGee, who is ill with a can-
cer on his face.

Mr. John McGee of Lopez, who
lived with his daughter, Mrs. John
Sweeney, died Sunday evening at
the age of 77 years.

Mrs. Haden Roberts who has been
dangerously ill, is better at this
writing.

Sheriff Cott of Laporte was at Lo-
pez on Saturday.

Mike Collins transacted business
at Laporte Saturday evening.

The young son of F. May had his
arm broken while in the act of jump-
ing, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. P. McGee of Satter-
field, called on friends at Lopez this
week.

Mr. Mike Quinn and daughter An-
na visited friends here last Saturday.

Peter Murray and T. Lynch of
this place were business men at Du-
shore last Saturday.

HILLSGROVE.

Mrs. Edward Flynn is on the sick
list.

Mr. Andrew Galough of Vilas,
spent a few days in town this week.
He will move his family back here
in the near future.

Mr. Herman Green transacted busi-
ness at Laquin the early part of
week.

Mrs. Woodley was a Dushore vis-
itor on Saturday.

Mr. Isaac Brown and wife of Vi-
las, are visiting at Stephen Vroman.

Mr. James Shaver of Ralston, is
the guest of his father at Elk Creek.

The Ladies' Aid have nearly com-
pleted the new shed at the Metho-
dist church.

Miss Nellie Darby of Piatt, is the
assistant at the postoffice at present,
Miss Josie Lewis having resigned.

Mrs. Bell Vroman had a narrow
escape from diphtheria. Dr. Davies
of Forksville is attending her.

Tracy Bennet of Cape Run spent
Sunday at W. E. Starrs.

Mrs. Biehley spent Monday and
Tuesday in Williamsport.

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