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To Buy Your Jewelry.**

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
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**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.

New Spring Dress Goods.

We are making our initial showing of the Season's
newest Spring Dress Fabrics—all the favorite Suitings will
be on the counters in about every color that can be wanted
FOR JACKET SUITS.

These are Fancy Scotch Mixed Suitings, Plain Colored Chevots,
Broadcloths, Venetians, Granite Cloth and other weaves, all service-
able fabrics, yet inexpensive, as you will see.

LIGHT WEIGHT MATERIALS.

Plenty of styles on view now—Soft Clinging Chiffon Voiles, French
Voiles, Silk and Wool Crepe, Fine Batiste, etc., are among the chosen
fabrics for Spring Gowns. Come and see them. Sight seeing, you
know, costs nothing and there's the chance of picking up just what you
want.

IN BLACK GOODS

Form any part of your Dress Goods thought it will be economy for
you to make a thorough investigation of our new Spring collection,
which embraces all the newest ideas in vogue for the coming season.

NEW SPRING SILKS.

Ready to look at the new Spring Silks? They are ready to be
seen. The prettiest weaves from both foreign and American looms.
They are plain Taffetas and Wash Silks, Fancy Woven Novelty Silks,
including of course the new Foulards in a variety of designs at popular
prices.

BLACK SILKS.

In all the wanted styles and weaves. Special qualities of 27-inch
Black Beau de Soie at 88c, \$1.00 and \$1.25. Black Taffetas in all
widths from 19-inch to one yard wide, at 55c to \$1.75.

WASH GOODS.

The new Spring stock of Wash Fabrics is ready for you. We have
been collecting them for some time. We firmly believe that we have
the most varied and best assortment of Wash Fabrics we have shown.
Needless to say that the prices are right.

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STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING.

There will be a meeting of the Sullivan County, Republican Standing committee, at Laporte Pa., on March 12th 1904, at 2 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of fixing the dates of holding Republican Primaries and the county convention.

The names of Republican Committeemen are as follows, viz:

Bernice—Thomas Schell.
Colley—L. L. Ross.
Cherry—H. H. Hoffmaster.
Davidson—J. C. Deininger.
Dushore—J. H. Bohn,
Elkland—Ellsworth Jennings.
Forks—J. E. Bird,
Forksville—G. A. Rogers,
Eaglesmere—F. W. Peale.
Fox—Samuel Leonard.
Hills Grove—S. T. Galough,
Laporte Boro.—C. R. Funston.
Laporte Twp.—A. E. Botsford.
Lopez—S. C. Messersmith.
Ricketts—J. C. Miller.
Shewsbury—W. L. Palmater.
Mt. Vernon—George W. Law renson.
Ringdale—Jacob Sitser.
Wm. P. SHOEMAKER, Chairman.

BURTON C. PATTERSON.

He Has Accomplished Much For the Farmers of the Nutmeg State.
Burton C. Patterson, master of the Connecticut state grange, joined Hope grange, No. 20, soon after its organization in May, 1876. This was the only live grange in Connecticut for several years. The other previous organizations, together with the state grange, ceased to exist.

Through his efforts, heartily supported by other loyal members of Hope No. 20, the opportunity was secured at a meeting of the Connecticut state board of agriculture for the delivery of an address by Mortimer Whitehead, past lecturer of the national grange. March 31, 1884, Lebanon grange, No. 21, was organized. Others followed rapidly, and the state grange was organized June 24, 1885. At its first annual meeting, held Dec. 31, 1885, Mr. Patterson was elected chairman of the executive committee for a term of three years and continued a member of the state executive committee until elected master of the state grange at its January session, which office he still holds.

He has always been an active worker on all lines of co-operation, perfecting a system of state trade arrangements surpassed by none. He also has been for years and is now state purchasing agent.
On these special lines of co-operation the Patrons of Connecticut have profited largely in their purchases. Matters of legislation pertaining to rural and agricultural interests have always been carefully watched, and many laws on the statute books are the result of his labors.

In 1887 the Patrons' Mutual Fire Insurance company was granted a charter and the company organized which has saved the Patrons of Connecticut many thousands of dollars. Mr. Patterson was elected director for his county and its treasurer, which positions he still occupies. He has also been selectman and has represented his town in the legislature. He is also treasurer of the Connecticut Dairy-men's association, secretary and treasurer of the Connecticut Sheep Breeders' association, a trustee of the Connecticut Agricultural college and a member of its executive and farm committees. The work which is necessary to be done in the above positions, together with the management of his dairy and stock farm of 275 acres, keeps him busy, but he is always ready to meet and cordially greet his many Patron friends.

Grange work in Connecticut is progressing finely along all lines. The juvenile work has recently been inaugurated in that state.

Hearst's Barrel.

William Randolph Hearst will confer a favor upon those who do not want him for a candidate if he will keep that "barrel" safely plugged until after the St. Louis convention. Thereafter its contributions will be a welcome addition to the campaign fund.—*Davenport (Ia.) Republican.*

A Satisfactory Situation.

There is a strong disposition on the part of every Democrat in the country to have his own exclusive presidential nomination and to repudiate every other Democrat's candidate. This is a very satisfactory situation—if it only continues.—*Philadelphia Press.*

COUNTY NEWS Happenings of Interest to Readers

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

LOPEZ NEWS ITEMS.

Harvy Rbone has an extra smile these days. The reason why its a boy.

Mrs. Charles Schock is on the sick list also John Moss and his daughter.

A man by the name of Bennett while working for Lloyd Kinsley around the buzz saw there was a stick thrown by the saw that struck him and lacerated his upper lip, and broke the jaw. Dr. Christian assisted by Dr. Herman of Dushore dressed the wound and set the jaw.

David Finklestien has returned to Lopez after an absence of one week, in the Metropolis where he has been purchasing goods for his trade. Dave is a very hustling young business man.

There is a great deal of sickness in and around Lopez.

Dr. Christain is kept very busy looking after the patients.

Dr. Christain and A. L. Dyer and others made a trip to Wilkes-Barre Monday.

Mrs. Ida Murray of Philadelphia was called home on the account of the illness of her mother.

Mrs. C. Schouck who is some better at this writing.

Miss Sarah McGee visited friends in Satterfield last week.

There will be an entertainment in the Lopez Hall Tuesday evening March 15th. Proceeds for the Public School library, come one come all.

John Cogsdill spent a few days with his son Clair in Elmira last week.

Mrs. S. M. Johnson is on the sick list.

Edward Johnson moved his family to Barclay Tuesday.

Irvin Treafether has gone to his home in Maine after spending the winter in town.

Frank Hoag was in Wilkes-Barre Tuesday.

P. J. Finan of Bernice spent a few days in town.

Mrs. George Coolbaugh of Mildred visited relatives here last week.

MURRAY HILL.

Mr. Sam Mahaffey of Laporte, and Mr. Mahaffey of New Albany were at this place Wednesday.

Thomas Collins of Satterfield visited friends here last Monday.

Mr. John Fitzharris is quite sick.

Mr. Pat Welsh of Lopez, called on friends at this place Saturday.

Mr. M. Collins transacted business at Laporte Monday.

Misses Alice Gilligan and Kate Welsh of Lopez were in town Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cook of Forks township, visited Mr. and Mrs. John Collins Saturday and Sunday.

Master Raymond Welsh, son of William Welsh, is very ill.

Miss Anna Bonci, who has been spending the winter in Ithaca, was called home by the serious illness of her mother who has rheumatism of the heart.

Mrs. Tom Donohoe visited friends at Bernice Sunday.

Mrs. Peter Murray is quite sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Mesperrin have returned from their wedding tour and are visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Crowley.

A New Chemical Company Organized.

The Sutton Peck Chemical company of Nordmont, and the Trexler and Terrill company of Ricketts have consolidated under the firm name of the Nordmont Chemical Company, and each firm has sold all their hardwood timber land to the new company. It is rumored that a railroad will be extended from Nordmont to Ricketts, and the stove factory at Laporte moved to Nordmont.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box, 25c.

BERNICE.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Ostler, a baby girl.

John P. Murphey took in the Laporte sights last week.

Gunton's mines was shut down for three days last week.

Harry Basley was at Sonestown on business Wednesday.

Rumors of a wedding soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Hannan Jr. of Scranton are visiting his parents in Mildred.

Wm. Collins was visiting friends at Plymouth last week.

Edwin Davies was called home to Nanticoke on account of the death of his brother-in-law.

P. J. Crowley is on the sick list with a bad knee.

John P. Murphy is nursing a bad hand.

Mrs. C. T. Lilley of Dushore, is nursing her mother Mrs. Meyer of Mildred, who has been quite sick, but at the present time improving.

Misses Ruth Meyers and Mary Watson were visiting friends on Saturday and Sunday.

ESTELLA.

THE PAINTER AND THE BEAR.—Last Friday while Wm. Painter of Lincoln Falls was getting a load of hardwood up the Lick Run, he heard a singular noise under a large brush heap. He did not stop long to reconnoiter, but made for the house of S. P. Shoemaker where that gentleman had just prepared dinner for himself and A. T. Mulnix. They ate their dinner and returned to the scene with Mr. Painter. On examination there was found a large black bear snugly curled up in his winter quarters. They aroused Bruin and Avery T. dispatched him with one load from a shot gun. The bear was quite poor from his long fast, but had a fine coat of fur. S. P. says he don't know which looked the wildest, the painter or the bear. When Painter came out of the woods to his place they could not track him for the distance between jumps.

Mr. Wash Yaw of Gilmantown, and Alice Lewis was married at Squire J. J. Teevan's week ago Saturday.

Mrs. John S. Brown visited her son Clarkson, in Sayre, recently, and while there had two cancers removed; one from her forehead and one from her neck.

Remember the e.g. social at one of the halls on the evening before Easter Sunday, April 2. All are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Wheatly spent last week in Sayre visiting his brother John, who lives in that place.

Walter Griffiths has moved with his family to the house of A. T. Mulnix, recently purchased of Mrs. Milton Molyneux.

SOUTH BROOK.

George Brown the hustling agent of the New York Life Insurance Company gave South Brook a call Monday.

Dr. Christian was called here to administer to the wants of the sick recently.

R. B. Herd who is away for a few days has gone to look after his Delaware farm.

Mrs. R. B. Herd and Mrs. E. W. Kunkle made a flying trip to Lopez Saturday.

William Kunkle who has been working at Lopez for some time is at home.

Mrs. Emma Barton of Jenningsville was visiting Mrs. M. C. Trowbridge last week.

Lloyd and Jerome Barnes who are working at this place was home several days last week at Sugar Run.

Coles for March.

March will, in all probabilities, bring a combination of disturbing causes, as the planets will be in right position to cause the sudden and unexpected. Uranus and Venus, in sign Capricornus; Mercury and Saturn, in sign Aquarius; Mars and Jupiter, in sign Aries, and Neptune, in sign Cancer, most all of them opposed to old Mother Earth, passing through sign Virgo. "The Virgin House of Religions," opposed by sign Pisces, Fishes. We might as well prepare ourselves to witness some strange happenings as Earth will be very apt to receive terrible punishment. The vital forces of all vegetable and human life will be at their "lowest ebb" on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 8th, 9th, 14th, 27th, 28th, 29, and 30th. A preponderance of high-flood days will rule the month, there being twenty in all but they are in a position to be handled with care.

New Moon and Sun's Eclips both appears on the same date—the 17th invisible in the United States visible through Southern Asia, Japan, Eastern Africa and Indian Ocean. The influence of the dark shadow forebodes much evil, especially in the above-named places.

All persons born the latter part of March should take good care of their health. Head troubles will be prevalent during March. Religious enthusiasm will arise in many sections of the country.

The effect of Earth's Vernal equinox will be felt on or about date of Full Moon; therefore watch out for high gales on land and sea and dangerous storms. See Storms and Signs. Moon will be both new and on the celestial equator on the 17th; the magnetic and electrical forces on or following this date will be apt to show their authority, followed by sleet and snow, probable blizzards, in the Northwest especially. Earthquakes will be felt in some section.

Spring begins March 21st and Moon is at first quarter on the 24. There will be variation of spring and winter days. Last days of the month storm conditions will be drawing. Watch out for destructive floods. There will be a number of beautiful sunset scenes to admire.

Wholc Ballot Law May Be Knocked Out.

Legal proceedings calculating to revolutionize the manner of conducting elections in Pennsylvania are to be instituted prior to the next election and carried up to the Supreme court.

These proceedings will involve the direct question of the constitutionality of several vital features of the Baker-Focht election law. If they are successful the election of next November will be conducted under the old "vest-pocket ballot" system which preceed the existing "official ballot."

The Pennsylvania ballot reform committee a joint body representing the Municipal League and several other organizations pledged to election reform, is making preparations already for a move against the "party square."

Death of Peter B. Hopper.

Peter B. Hopper, a well-known citizen of Muncy Valley, died last Monday. The funeral occurred Wednesday forenoon, services conducted by the Rev. H. M. Ash, being held at the house. Interment was made in Pleasant Hill cemetery Hughesville. Mr. Hopper was aged 65 years 5 months and 13 days. He left a widow and five sons and three daughters.

The Rev. Ira R. Hicks foretels of all sorts of disturbances in March. Heavy rains, snows, blizzards and gales are on the programme and he also claims that disturbing earth currents, auroral illuminations earthquake and volcanic eruptions are not improbable.