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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 guaranteed, 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.

Snowy attractive Muslin Underware that combines so much comfort
and beauty was never offered at more attractive prices. All these garments
are full size and splendidly made of excellent Muslin and Cambric.

LONG SKIRTS. DRAWERS.
SHORT SKIRTS. CHEMISE.
CORSET COVERS. GOWNS.

Shirt Waist Suits.

Nothing daintier, nothing prettier
nothing so economical as the two-
piece summer suit. We have about
every style that is worn. These are
made of Percale, Madras, Linen and
other cotton fabrics and silks.

Wash Petticoats.

We believe the e Petticoats to be
better value than you ever bought
before. They are made of plain color
and fancy striped Seersucker with
ruffles or deep tucked flounces, at
\$1.00 To \$1.50

Black Taffetas and Peau de Soie.

When asked for here they are shown in all qualities and widths and the
prices are very reasonable when the qualities are taken in consideration.

Fancy Silks for Dresses.

To merely mention the kinds and varieties of each would make a pretty
long list so we simply say come and see them and get the prices.

Women's Stock Collars.

We've made a purchase of dainty
Stock Collars, an endless variety of
styles among them. Some are plain,
others embroidered. We have
bunched them in lots,
25c, 50c and 75c.

Cool Summer Corsets.

New models. Come and see them.
We can recommend several makes
at 50c to \$1.00 that are made of
light Batiste, but for those who
want finer qualities we have them
in better qualities.

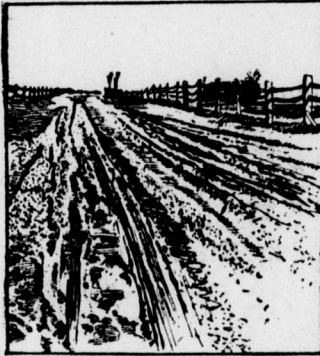
TIRE EXPERIMENTS.

RESULTS OF TESTS MADE BY THE
MISSOURI STATION.

**Vehicles With Narrow Tires Require
More Power to Draw and Constantly
Destroy the Roads—Wheels and
Axles of Farm Wagons.**

The Missouri experiment station has
made a series of tests in order to as-
certain the value of wide tires as com-
pared with narrow ones, says Farm
and Ranch.

In conducting the experiments two
ordinary farm wagons were used, one
with six inch tires, the other with
standard one and a half inch tires,
both wagons of the same weight and
each loaded with 2,000 pounds. It was
found that the power needed to draw
the narrow tired wagon, with its 2,000



HOW NARROW TIRES DESTROY ROADS.

pound load, on a gravel road would
have pulled a load of 2,472 pounds on
the wide tired wagon. The same power
required to draw narrow tires over
dirt and gravel roads when these were
drawn and hard was found sufficient to
draw a 2,580 pound load on the wide
tired wagon under the same conditions.
It was shown that where these roads
were deep with mud, but partially
dried at the surface with a few hours'
sun, the same power required to draw
the 2,000 pound load over them on the
narrow tires would pull a load of 3,200
pounds on the wide tires.

The director of the station states that
the conditions under which the narrow
tires offer an advantage over the wide
ones are "unusual and of short dura-
tion," and, further, that "through a ma-
jority of days in the year and at times
when the dirt roads are most used and
when their use is most imperative the
broad tired wagon will pull materially
lighter than the narrow tired wagon;"
also that "a large number of tests on
meadows, pastures, stubble land, corn
ground and plowed ground in every
condition, from dry, hard and firm to
very wet and soft, show without a
single exception a large difference in
draft in favor of the broad tires. This
difference ranged from 17 to 120 per
cent."

Tests of the drafts of wagons were
made with wheels of different height.
The trials were made on macadam,
gravel and earth roads, under all con-
ditions, and on meadows, pastures, cul-
tivated fields, stubble land, etc. The
draft was determined by means of the
Giddings self recording dynamometer.
The net load was in every case the
same, 2,000 pounds. Three sets of
wheels of different height, all with six
inch tires, were used as follows: Stand-
ard, front wheel forty-four inches, rear
wheel fifty-five inches; medium, front
wheel thirty-six inches, rear wheel
forty inches; low, front wheel twenty-
four inches, rear wheel twenty-eight
inches.

The experiment clearly demonstrated
that under almost all conditions of
road surface the broad tired vehicles
draw the lighter and are of benefit to
roads, while the narrow tired ones are
constantly destroying the roads.

The authorities of the station have
compiled the result of all their farm
wagon experiments into the following
summary:

For the same load, wagons with
wheels with standard height drew
lighter than wagons with lower wheels.

The difference in favor of stand-
ard wheels was greater on road sur-
faces in bad condition than on good
road surfaces.

Low wheels cut deeper ruts than
those of standard height.

The vibration of the tongue is greater
in wagons with low wheels.

For most purposes wagons with low
wheels are more convenient than those
with standard height.

Wagons with broad tires and wheels
of standard height are cumbersome
and require much room in turning.

Diminishing the height of wheel to
thirty or thirty-six inches in front and
forty or forty-four inches in the rear
did not increase the draft in as great
proportion as it increased the con-
venience of loading and unloading the
ordinary farm freight.

Diminishing the height of wheels be-
low thirty inches front and forty inches
rear increased the draft in greater pro-
portion than it gained in convenience.

On good roads increasing the length of
the rear axle so that the front and
rear wheels will run in different tracks

The following paragraph is taken
from the resolutions passed by the
Republican county convention of Wy-
oming County last week: That we
recognize in Hon. E. M. Dnnham a
clean and upright Judge, able and
impartial in his decisions and court-
eous and dignified in his demeanor,
and we heartily endorse his candi-
dacy for re-election and pledge him
the united support of the Republi-
cans of Wyoming County.

to avoid cutting ruts did not increase
the draft.

On sod, cultivated ground and bad
roads wagons with the rear axle longer
than the front one drew heavier than
one having both axles of the same
length.

Wagons with the rear axle longer
than the front one require wider gate-
ways and are, on the whole, very in-
convenient.

The best form of farm wagon is one
of axles of equal length, broad tires
and wheels thirty to thirty-six inches
high in front and forty to forty-four
inches behind.

PERMANENT HIGHWAYS.

The Public Road is the Most Common
of All Interests.

The public road is promotive of trade
and commerce, the adjuster of freight
tariffs, the "always on time," ready,
open way for all the people. It leads
to the church, the school, the library,
the town, the market, the mill, the
store, the place of amusement and the
social gathering. It places the farmer
in touch with the vents of the world
through the rural mail delivery, with
the daily paper, market reports, latest
periodicals and magazines containing
the best current thought of the hour.
It equalizes trade for the merchant
and insures a steady market for the
farmer and the consumer.

The removal of the raw material
from the forest and field and the mill
and the mine is the first and up to the
present time the most costly and diffi-
cult step. There is not a state or ter-
ritory that is not retarded in its growth
and development on account of unim-
proved highways.

It has been stated that the building
of steam and electric railroads has ren-
dered the construction of permanent
highways unnecessary. This is not
true. They have superseded for a time
the improvement of our roads, but they
can never supply the necessity for
them. You had just as well assert that
the electric car in the city takes the
place of the street or sidewalk.

The question of building permanent
highways is of the very highest com-
mercial importance and demands the
active attention of all business men.
The practice so long in use of placing
the burden of roadmaking upon the
country people is unjust and inequitable
and will never secure improved
roads.

Rural Delivery Notes

The New York State Rural Letter
Carriers' association at its annual
convention adopted a resolution to the
effect that the convention demand of the
federal postoffice department that all
routes in the state be measured and
that the carriers receive their just pay
according to the new measurement.

The average receipts per rural free
delivery route are \$12 a month and the
average cost per carrier is \$50 a month.

An Illinois carrier has ordered an au-
tomobile constructed for rural delivery
of mail.

Careful investigation shows that
throughout the country the average
time required for a carrier to deliver
the mail on a twenty-four mile route
requires between six and a half and
seven and a half hours. The time, of
course, will vary somewhat because of
circumstances.

Increased Postal Business.
Nothing reflects the continued gen-
eral prosperity of the country as do the
postal receipts. For New York city the
receipts during the past year show an
increase of 8 1/2 per cent over the record
business of the year ending June 30,
1903. The receipts for June alone
showed an increase of 6 per cent over
last year. The receipts for the last
quarter showed an increase of 7 1/2 per
cent over last year's figures, amounting
to \$3,494,420 as against \$3,254,325 for
1903. Deducting the expenses of the of-
fice, the business leaves the govern-
ment a net profit of \$9,227,966 as against
\$8,342,061 for last year, an increase of
over 10 1/2 per cent.

The Campaign.
The conventions have finished their shout-
ing:
It's Alton against Theodore.
And now for orators spouting.
Mass meetings and speeches galore.
Fireworks now till November.
Chowders, parades and fake bets.
Promises none will remember.
Threats that one quickly forgets.

Croakers and prophets of evil.
Declaring that if they don't win
The country will go to the devil,
That ruin's already set in.
But, far from being rejected,
We welcome the end of the fight.
Woe, whoever may be elected,
Thank heaven, the country's all right!
—New York Herald.

Jacob Epler Murdered at Du- shore Sunday Night.

Frank Yanney shot and mortally
wounded Jacob Epler in a fight near
the railroad station at Dushore, Sun-
day evening a few minutes after the
arrival of the excursion train from
Harveys Lake. Both men are resi-
dents of Cherry township and had
been to the lake for the day, where
they had some trouble caused
through jealousy over a woman. It
is said that Mrs. Sam Epler, wife of
the deceased's brother, had lived
with Yanney for the past three
years. On Sunday she escorted
Mr. Yanney, a single man of about
25 years, on the excursion. A few
minutes after leaving the train at
Dushore, they resumed their quarrel
that had begun while they
were at the lake, and Yanney draw-
ing a revolver pointed it at the
couple and fired several shots, one
taking effect in the woman's thigh
and one entering the groin of Mr.
Epler passed through his bowels and
lodged near the base of his spinal
column, causing death a few min-
utes after 9 o'clock Monday morning.

After the shots had been fired,
Yanney ran to the office of Dr. Her-
mann and locked himself in a back
room. A warrant was placed in the
hands of Constable Ira Cott who
went to the room and demanded
Yanney to open the door which he
did without hesitation. He deliv-
ered the weapon to Cott when re-
quested to do so. It was found to
have but one empty chamber.

Yanney was brought to the La-
porte jail Sunday night where he
will await the trial of a terrible
crime. Epler was a single man 33
years of age.

SONESTOWN.

A paragraph was inserted two or
three weeks ago to the effect that
our base ball team was hard to beat.
Tuesday proved it true. A newly
organized team from Bernice, com-
posed of the best players of the three
teams of that place, drove down to
do up Sonestown. Right here it is
out fair to state that the team is
composed not of men, but of boys.
The captain being but 14 years of
age.

Many teams would have refused
to play anything so evidently their
superior in age, physique and expe-
rience, but our boys are noted for
their gentlemanly and courteous
conduct. Not even to sustain their
record would they disappoint a guest.
Hall was on the train and Laird on
a sick bed all forenoon, so picking
up two other boys the game began.

Bernice scored 5, Sonestown 0 until
the 5th inning, when Hall's train
arrived, and Laird also came to his
place at the bat. Then the tide
turned somewhat. Not only did our
boys prevent Bernice from gaining
another, but Lorah made a score for
the home team. The latter fact was
somewhat to be regretted because it
had a bad effect on the tempers of
the coal town boys. One was heard
using language more fit for a min-
ister in the pulpit than an angry man
in the diamond.

Sonestown certainly feels honored
to think that in order to beat its lit-
tle boys, teams aged six and seven
years more are trotted out from dif-
ferent parts of the county. The
boys will hold a festival Saturday
evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Warburton
of Hughesville, spent Sunday in
town.

James Laird and Nora Little of
Nordmont drove to Sonestown on
Tuesday.

Misses Alice and Rosina Finnerty
of Jersey shore have returned home.

Mrs. Alex Hess is entertaining
her nieces from Pittston.

Miss Ada Hall is again out after a
severe illness.

Miss Hazel Voorhees expects to
return to Shunk on Saturday.

Walter Lorah left on Saturday for
State College.

Misses Erma Walizer, Edith and
Lara Morris of Nordmont, visited
their aunt, Mrs. A. Edgar a few
days last week.

The picnic at Eagles Mere was
well enjoyed. An entertain ment in
the auditorium added to the pleas-
ure of the day. The attendance was

large, and every one in a happy
mood.

Sonestown and Hillsgrove crossed
bats. The score at the end of the
9th inning stood 5 to 5. A tenth
was played in which Hillsgrove
scored 1 more. The game was close
and well played and added not a
little to the interest of the day.

Misses Harriet Griggs of Mon-
toursville and Martha Drieschbach
of Bloomsburg, visited Myrtle Ed-
gar on Wednesday.

HILLSGROVE.

A Recital was given at the Union
Church, on Saturday evening by
Miss Hazel Savage, of Dickenson
Seminary. The program was varied
and abounded in wit, humor, and
pathos; each number being being
applauded to the echo by the large
and appreciative audience. Miss
Savage was assisted by her class-
mate, Miss. Dorothy Morgan,
Vocalist. Miss Morgan's solos were
rendered in a manner which proved
her thorough conception of the
Divine Art. The ladies will
give Recitals at Forksville, on Tues-
day evening, at the Deciple Church,
at this place, on Thursday evening,
and at Proctor Saturday evening.

H. H. Green chaperoned a party of
youthful excursionists over the Sones
Railroad, to Eagles Mere last Thurs-
day, and while at the Mere, with the
help of his juvenile band, initiated
the Sonestown fans into the myster-
ies of our National game. The game
was pronounced by the impartial
nations as the most sensational
played on the Eagles Mere Diamond
this season, the score being 5 to 6 in
favor of Hillsgrove. A feature of
the game was the remarkable elastic-
ity of the imagination of the Sones-
town rooters, who were unanimous
in pronouncing Ernest Norton, a
boy of sixteen, a married man with
four children. Some went so far as
to ask if this amalgamation was
not the famous Silver Slippers. Yet
we were not surprised at this latter
flight when we remember that Mas-
ter Smith struck out twenty-two
men for Sonestown. The following
is the line up with the ages of the
Hillsgrove players appended:

Hillsgrove.	Sonestown.
Smith, p. 17	L. Lorah, p.
Vroman c. 17	O. Hall, c
Momery 1b 17	Armstrong 1b
Harrison 2b 14	W. Lorah 2b
Vogle, 3b 14	Lovelace 3b
Biddle ss 12	Starr ss
Norton r f 16	W. Hall r f
Boyles c f 13	Fries c f
Crowley 1 f 12	Hazen r f
Bachle 1 f 14	

An aggregation from Forksville
met their Water-loo, at the hands of
the Silver Slippers, on the local dia-
mond, Saturday last, in as loosely
played game as has been witnessed
at this place this season.

The ag-
gregation was certainly a formidable
looking bunch, with the Potter Bro-
thers of Lopez as battery, and Childs,
and Woodward of Estella on 1st,
and r. f., Guy Rogers of Wyoming
Seminary on 3b, Dr. Davies and
Leon Stevens of Forksville in l. f. &
c. f. Napoleon, Bonepart, and Scha-
nabacher were very much in
evidence with a pool of Forksville
money, about thirty dollars of which
remained in town after the game.

About thirty Forksville girls with
rooters and cowbells came down in
an undertakers wagon, and found
their conveyance appropriate for
the occasion. This was the game
at which the Silver Slippers adver-
tised to bury the hatchet, and they
certainly did as they agreed. Barto
trading seven safe hits, and three
bases on balls with Potter, for fifteen
hits, four bases on balls, and a
forced score; Dr. Davies and M. Morris
shared fielding honors, each mak-
ing a sensational running catch.

The Silver Slippers slipped over the
home plate seventeen times, and
allowed the visitors to do the same
as they did, seven times. And to
do the boys justice we must admit
that they are less proud of their
victory than they have been over
some of their hitherto stubbornly
contested defeats. Come down
again Forksville, and we will try
and do you good.