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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.

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STOVES and RANGES,
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House Furnishing Goods, Tools of Every
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Bargains that bring the buyer back.
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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
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Samuel Cole, Dushore, Pa.

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

**Muslin Underwear and
White Goods Sale.**

Wednesday morning, January 3rd, we began the
greatest sale of White Goods and Muslin Underwear in
this Store's history. Hundreds of pieces of new fresh
and muslins will be offered at prices that must commend
them to the most careful buyers. You'll be prompted to
replenish your Muslin outfits for months to come.

Garments for 10 cents.

Ladies' Cambric full front corset covers
Children's Drawers with cluster tucks.
Children's Waists and Skirts.
Infants' slips with lace edge.

Garments for 50c.

Ladies' Cambric Drawers, with wide
flounce of lace and insertion or embroidery,
the best values you ever had for the
money.

Ladies' Cambric Gowns, square or V
neck. Yokes made of embroidery or lace
insertion, ruffle at neck and sleeves.
Several styles to choose and under price.

Ladies' Long Skirts, with deep lace
insertion and edge—other styles hemstitch-
ed, flounce with lace edge.

Ladies' Cambric Corset Covers—these
are special value, they are handsomely
trimmed with lace and embroidery inser-
tion and edge. All have the full French
front.

Muslin Wear for 15c.

Ladies' drawers, cambric hemstitched
ruffle.
Ladies' cambric corset covers, hem-
stitched or lace trimming.
Children's drawers with hemstitched
ruffle.

Garments for 25c.

Ladies' Gowns, three styles, square
neck, hemstitched ruffle or V neck with
lace or embroidery—these are worth 50c
only one will be sold to a customer.

Ladies' Cambric Drawers—some have
tucks and hemstitched, other lace inser-
tions and edge.

Ladies' long skirts with hemstitched
ruffle. Chemise and short skirts with
hemstitched ruffle.

Ladies' Cambric Corset Covers, full
fronts—there's quite a variety of styles—
some are trimmed with lace, other with
embroidery or tucks and ribbons.
Misses' long skirts—various styles.

THE GRANGE

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

NATIONAL GRANGE.

ITS ANNUAL SESSION HELD AT AT-
LANTIC CITY, N. J.

Matters of Importance Considered
and a Summary Given of Resolu-
tions Adopted—Marked Increase in
Membership Indicated—The Grange
Strong Financially.

Atlantic City, N. J., proved to be an
ideal place for the meeting of the
national grange. The weather was all
that could be desired, and all the sur-
roundings were such as to conduce to
the pleasure and convenience of visit-
ing Patrons. The famous steel pier
was headquarters for delegates and
visitors and was a most delightful
meeting place for them. The sessions
were held in Casino hall. An immense
display of farm products of rare quality
attracted the attention of visitors
on passing on to the pier and was an
"eye opener" to many as to what New
Jersey farmers were able to produce
in the line of fruits and vegetables.

The public session was held in the
great ballroom on the pier and was
honored with the presence of at least
three governors or ex-governors. The
chief speakers of the occasion were
Governor Stokes of New Jersey, Gov-
ernor Bell of Vermont, ex-Governor
Bachelder of New Hampshire, Hon.
Aaron Jones, master of the national
grange, and representatives of the city
government. Governor Stokes set
forth the claims of New Jersey to a
place in the Union, viewing her right
to the title from an agricultural and
commercial standpoint, and his appre-
ciative audience granted all he claimed.

The registered attendance during the
best days of the session was about
3,000. Those who took the seventh
degree number 1,112. Never was it more
impressively rendered and never were
the accessories for staging the work
more fitting and convenient.

While there was much to be seen at
Atlantic City in November, the dele-
gates were not inclined to sacrifice busi-
ness to pleasure. It was pre-eminently
a business session. The national secre-
tary reported 269 new granges organ-
ized during the year ending Oct. 1,
1905, and 65 reorganized, making a total
of 274. Michigan leads with 47 new
granges, Vermont reports 23, Ohio and
Maryland 22 each, Pennsylvania 17,
New York 16, Maine 14, Massachusetts 11
and the other states less than 10 each.

The report of the treasurer showed a
balance in the treasury Oct. 1, 1904,
of \$20,490.92. The amount received
during the year from state granges for
dues was \$14,632.28. The total receipts
from all sources were \$52,314.31. The
expenses of the thirty-eighth an-
nual session were \$11,134.77 for per-
diem and mileage. The total resources
of the national grange Oct. 1, 1905,
were \$87,788.26.

In the brief space at command we
can only hint at some of the resolutions
adopted, but of matters of wide public
interest passed upon favorably those
quoted below will serve to show the
sentiment of the body. The resolution
first named was adopted by a rising
vote and later was transmitted by tele-
graph to President Roosevelt:

"That the farmers of this country want
neither more nor less than a 'square
deal,' and we unanimously and heartily
indorse the manly efforts President
Roosevelt is making to secure equal op-
portunities for the individual and the com-
mon people against the arrogant power
of aggregated wealth and, irrespective of
party, pledge ourselves to support his ef-
forts in that direction in every way possible.

"That the national grange condemns and
brands as criminal any attempt to influ-
ence legislation or control the vote of leg-
islators by the use of money; that all
officers or others who use the funds of the
insurance companies for personal gain are
embezzlers and should be punished under
the laws; that any contribution by the
officers of the company to further the in-
terests of any political party is a corrupt
use of the money of the company.

"That the national grange use its efforts
as a unit and also through the several
state organizations to secure recognition
by our several state departments in plac-
ing the sciences directly relating to agri-
culture upon the curriculum of our com-
mon and secondary schools.

"That the nation ought to be carefully
and rigorously guarded until it can be
abolished and that it be held to a strict
responsibility for the harm it does and
that every community should be empow-
ered by law to vote every saloon from its
borders.

Favorable action was taken on the
following among other important mat-
ters: Pledging encouragement to all
movements to restore political and per-
sonal purity and to minimize corrup-
tion of every sort; prohibiting the man-
ufacture, sale or use of cigarettes; re-
moving the internal revenue tax of
\$2.08 per gallon on alcohol rendered
unfit for use as a beverage, for com-
mercial purposes; increasing the effi-
ciency of the anti-vice laws; urging
congress to consider a modification of
the immigration laws to relieve the
scarcity of farm laborers; favoring
"farm forestry" as a help to the re-
forestation of cut over lands; seeking
national aid to control or exterminate
the gypsy and brown tailed moths; 7.

Editor of the News Item,

As we ask your permission which he did not
answer, we would have Mr. Farrel
to state where the directors of Cherry
township would have any difficulty
to get any one to act as truant officer
for \$4.10 the difference in the bids of
Messrs Lowry and Dunkleberg.
Now John will you tell the tax
payers where the difficulty would
come in to get a truant officer, as
according to the bid of Thos. Schell
he was willing to do the work for
\$4 per month, a saving of ten cents
per month. Now if you are saving
ten cents a month on the hauling of
coal by letting it to the lowest bid-
der, why not save ten cents a month
by letting Mr. Schell act as truant
officer. Here was a man willing to
do the work for ten cents less than
Mr. Lowry, but still you try to make
the tax payers believe that you
would have trouble to get a truant
officer. When one of the directors
made the motion that Mr. Lowry
be janitor and truant officer was he
trying to save money for the tax
payers as the year previous? Then
Mr. Lowry was made janitor because
he was five cents a month below Mr.
Schell, but when it came this year
Mr. Lowry got the offices because
he was the highest bidder. John
will you tell me why there was no
standard by which to elect teachers,
or is that to depend upon the friends
they have on the school board, like
janitor and truant officer? Why is
it that according to the State report
of the Superintendent of Public In-
struction of 1904 the number of mills
levied in Cherry township for school
purposes was 10 mill, for building
purposes 13. It is said figures will
not lie and I don't think they will
stand. Why is it that it cost seven-
teen cents a day more to educate
each pupil in Cherry Twp. than it
costs in Colley township? In your
letter you also invite the tax payers
to attend the regular meeting of the
Board. I might not be able to make
you a visit, as you might not see fit
to admit me. Is it true that some
can go in and come out as often as
they please, probably they have
friends on the Board, and others
have to stay out until you are ready
to admit them? Now John I hope
you will give us a little more light
on these questions as my eyes are
growing dim since I read your com-
munication.

Thanking you Mr. Editor on your
behalf of the tax payers of Cherry
township for your kindness, I am,
Yours Respectfully,
Chas. B. Watson.

Philadelphia, Penn., Jan. 20, 1906.
To the Republican News Item,
My Dear Mr. Wing,

Will you kindly
allow me the privilege of your
paper to state to the good people of
Laporte that it seems to me that
this is an opportune time to issue
from one to five thousand illustrated
circulars setting forth the merits of
Laporte as a Summer Resort for
rest and recuperation. Should those
interested in cottages for sale or rent;
those interested in having summer
guests and those otherwise inter-
ested in the welfare of Laporte, think
as I do, it will be to our mutual in-
terest for any such to write me at
their earliest convenience, so that
the circulars may be ready for dis-
tribution by the last of February.

If there are sufficient responses by
the tenth of February to justify such
a circular, I shall be pleased to sub-
mit detailed statement of the style
and cost of such circular. Trusting
that we may be of mutual helpful-
ness in the matter of the welfare of
Laporte, I am,
Very Respectfully,
L. L. Ford.

A Senatorial apportionment bill
dividing the State into fifty districts
has been framed and will be present-
ed to the Legislature at the special
session. It places Northumberland
and Snyder counties in the twenty-
third district and Columbia, Mon-
teur and Sullivan in the twenty
fourth. Union is in on to Ly-
coming in the twenty-sixth. This
is different from the bill said to have
been prepared by Senator Godechar-
les.

Editor News Item:

Again we ask the privilege of your
columns. We may not be asking
you to confer a favor on the taxpay-
ers as Mr. C. B. Watson did; two
weeks ago. Brother Charley did
some chopping and, as we haven't
heard of any chips falling, we
thought it well to take some of his
pointless paragraphs and see where
he had failed in using enough force
on the axe handle.

Let us quote, "When Mr. Dongle-
berg presented his petition to the
undersigned (Watson), we told him
that he might as well save his time
and labor." Nevertheless, Charley,
you signed it, after giving "Sammy"
such sage advice.

Charley, I don't see either why all
this trouble should be, but you were
mistaken when you stated I threw
down the gauntlet. The correspond-
ent did that when he tried these facts
to which you refer. We had no
objection to the facts being presented
in a simple, truthful style, but dis-
satisfying the facts wear such a jaunty,
devilish costume as to reflect on the
integrity of the School Board. The
Bernice correspondent tried to cast
such a reflection in several issues of
the News Item, by trying to show
that the Cherry Board would ignore
a petition with a worthy object; by a
nonsensical appeal to the voters; and
by the correspondent's willingness to
"write up" any official if he was
in possession of the facts. The facts
are as slow in coming as some chips.

I am very thankful for your credit-
ing me with telling the truth; but,
Charley, I don't like that air of
injured innocence you are assuming
by quoting, "Can any body tell why
we are going to have only six months
school this term?" and then stating
"Now, we cannot see where there is
anything wrong in asking the ques-
tion." You just look up your files
of weekly papers and see if that
"rascally" appeal to the voters
does not follow the question quite
closely.

We assert, Mr. Watson, that Mr.
Lowry's combination bid was as
cheap as any other. You cannot
disprove this by facts. It would be
ingratitude if his friends didn't sup-
port him; while if his bid were ac-
cepted at a sum higher than that of
any other equally qualified bidder, it
would be gross official conduct on
the part of the directors. Such was
not the case however.

Now, just one rip at that tax ques-
tion. Charley, you can do this for
yourself. I know you can. For your
school tax of 1902 or 1903 deduct one
dollar poll tax and divide the re-
mainder, 50 cents, by your your valua-
tion of \$50 and you will get ten
mills—the levy of those years.
Then just take your tax of 1904 or
1905 and deduct the dollar poll tax
and divide by your valuation of \$50
and you will get 13 mills, the levy of
1904 or 1905. It isn't too late yet to
inspect the books of the district and
obtain necessary information. It
will be needless to ask questions
through the public press if you ac-
cept our invitation to do this.

Now Brother Watson let us hear
from you again. The tax payers
need the effect of your search light.
Don't wait, however, till the issue
just before election as that would be
sneaky political diplomacy and our
tit ere that time would lose its
warmth.
Thanking the editor for patiently
bearing with us, I am, Sincerely,
J. L. Farrell.

The prevailing opinion, that Ar-
mour of the "Windy City," has a
mortgage upon and ultimately se-
cures all two and four legged pork-
ers for his greasy industry, is with-
out foundation. Among those he
fails to secure, although they reveal
all the needed requisites, may be
included people who evidently think
the world is a free soup house, where
they can feed and fill up without
money and without price. The
above is respectfully dedicated to
the class of people who, after read-
ing a paper for a number of years,
without once during the time giving
the publisher even a pleasant smile
instruct the post master to mark the
paper "Refused; removed; present
address unknown." There's a time
coming at the end of the human
race, when their whereabouts will
be known.—Ex.

BERNICE.

Some of our young sports were at
Dushore a week ago making friend-
ly calls, with the result that Consta-
ble Cott was here on Monday to re-
turn the compliment but he was too
late, his friends had left.

Frank Scouten and son of Parson,
Pa., visited Mr. John Schaad and
family.

John Moran visited his parents at
Scranton, over Sunday.

The Feast of the Seven Tables
held in the K. of L. Hall Wednesday
evening of last week by the ladies of
the Lutheran church was a financial
success.

The Democratic caucus was post-
poned to Friday evening, Jan. 19th.
We do not want to dictate to any
one but we hope that they will put
up good men for school directors—
men who are qualified to fill any
office on the Board without having
to get an assistant.

HEMLOCK GROVE ITEMS

Sunday School at two o'clock, and
preaching at three next Sunday.

Mrs. H. G. Phillips and son Ray-
mond of Hughesville called at M. J.
Phillips' Sunday.

J. P. Milner of Muncy Valley,
called on friends here last week.

Albert Meyers and family were
guests of friends at Strawbridge
Sunday.

Miss Anna Quinn spent Sunday
at Sonestown.

S. H. Dundore of Lewisburg, visi-
ted friends at Lewisburg last week.

Albert Meyers was a business visi-
tor at Muncy Valley Saturday.

Mrs. Clinton Rider, and Mrs.
Abraham Swisher of N. Mountain
visited Mrs. William Bay last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Done,
visited the former's parents at Mun-
cy Valley over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Shug and son
Harold were guests of relatives at
Muncy Valley Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Phillips
and daughter Clara attended the
funeral of Miss Hattie Farnsworth,
at Lairdsville Sunday.

M. J. Phillips visited friends at
Benton last week.

George Phillips was home from
Eagles Mere, Sunday.

Lumbermen Swank and Watts
have their log job nearly completed.

David Seitzer and Percy Fay
attended an educational meeting at
Fribley, Saturday.

Mrs. M. A. Phillips of Benton has
returned home after spending several
days with the family of M. J.
Phillips.

W. H. Bay was a visitor to Mun-
cy Valley and Sonestown Monday.

Miss Hattie Bartlow spent Sunday
with friends at Strawbridge.

Jury List.

Grand Jury—Oscar Hammond,
Rush Botsford, Thomas Swank,
George W. Golder, Scott Collins,
Dyer Boston, Frank Northrop,
John Heiber, Leroy Decker, Wil-
liam Bagley, Frank Dawson, A. J.
Barnhart, Terrence Bender, Ira
Stover, Frank Morgan, Walter
Lawrenson, Frank Meyer, Ira Bry-
an, J. J. Young, William Crowl,
S. A. Dieffenbach, E. F. Kuhns,
W. H. VanBaskirk, Ellis Cassel-
berry.

Traverse Jury—Henry Exley,
Millard Kilmer, John Green, Ray-
mond Kehrer, Michael Devaney,
Michael Gilligan, Peter Fitzgerald,
Jason B. Simmons, William L.
Kishinka, William A. Gumble, A.
L. Kilmer, Henry Smith, Wm.
J. Lowe, Thomas J. Packard,
Wm. Palmatier, Alfred Strickland,
Frank Shoemaker, Hugh Parker,
C. A. Kilmer, Frank J. McDonald,
Frank R. Barnes, C. J. Secules,
John Annable, Charles Miller,
George Erey, Michael Finan, Otto
Behr, Leroy Moyer, Edward G.
Sylvara, Walter Eattin, Charles
Datter, Bodine Montague, Harry
McCarrol, Charles Scher, George
Grimes, Roland Hunsinger.

There are fifteen hundred applica-
tions for retail liquor license in Lu-
zerne county this year.

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