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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.

## Maslin Underwear Department

caters to your need with a splendid assortment of Ladies' and Misses' Maslin and Cambrie Underwear. Every Garment was made amid the best sanitary conditions. Styles and model are of the most desirable kinds, and the prices are wonderful cheap. Take a few minutes to examine these. It will tell you more than we can describe in a whole page.

The designs are unusually pretty this season. We are showing splendid assortment of all sorts from the plain Cambrie to the finest and elaborate Swiss Embroideries every width in the inserting and edging.

Whether you spend one dollar or more you ought to get one that fits and makes you comfortable. Any one of these Corsets in the following list will do that and they will give you satisfactory service:

Thomson's Glove Fitting.  
Royal Worcester.  
C. B. A. In Spirit.  
Ferra Waite.  
Kabo.  
Armorside,  
R. G.

## REDUCTION IN THE CLOAK ROOM

The stock has been carefully gone through. The price reductions are radical there is a great opportunity to buy a tailored suit or Misses and children's coats at one-third to more than one half off the regular price. You should be among the first to take advantage of this sale.

### Wool Fascinators.

Ladies wool crochet Fascinators in white, blue, pink, cardinal and black; various styles for 25c to 75c.

### Leggings.

Ladies and Misses' Black Jersey Cloth Leggings for 15c to 1.00. Ladies' and Misses' wool knit Leggings for 25c to 50c.

### Ladies' Knit Blouses.

We have several styles of Ladies' Wool Blouses in most all colors. You can buy them now at half the regular prices.

### Children's Sweaters.

In all sizes and colors can be purchased here now—a big reduction from the regular prices.

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### The 58th Annual Report of The Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Philadelphia.

The 58th annual report of The Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Philadelphia, invites the consideration not only of its many policy holders in this vicinity but also of the insuring public in general. This company, organized in 1847, stands to-day in the very front rank of safe and sound institutions. Beginning in a small way its growth has been gradual along safe, conservative and economical lines. The business done during the year 1905 exceeded that done in any previous year, the actual amount of insurance written being \$86,719,800 or 6,000,000 in excess of that of 1904. Its banner year.

The business of 1905 was the most successful in the company's history. 34,289 men and women having been added to its list of policy holders, and this without increasing the ratio of expense. The total amount of insurance now held in the Penn Mutual reaches the sum of \$377,438,264. The assets of the Company now amount to \$76,344,511; liabilities \$66,353,144 leaving a surplus of \$10,081,369. Since organization the Company has paid to policy holders \$86,687,791.08, a fact which affords indisputable evidence of the beneficence of this institution.

The provisions for death losses during the year was 5,211,631. The actual death losses were but 3,845,459 a saving on this account of about 1,400,000.

The Company has published for 1905 a report giving not only a complete analysis of its transactions during the year 1905, but also a clear, simple and intelligible discussion of the principles which underlie insurance contracts and practices. In view of the present usual interest on the part of the public in all Life Insurance matters, it will be worth while that a copy of this report be secured either through the Company's District Agent at Wilkes-Barre, Mr. M. A. Seyreman with offices in Welles Building, Mr. C. M. Bender, Special Agent—New Albany Pa; or through its General Agent in Philadelphia, Messrs. Bourne & Durham, Stephen Girard Building.

### Notice.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania on Monday, March 12th 1906, under the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29th, 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation to be called "The Eagles Mere Company" the character and object of which is the buying, improving, selling and leasing of real estate, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of said Act of Assembly and the supplements thereto.

WILLIAM M. MEREDITH,  
Solicitor.

Regular services in M. E. church next Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Theme, "The Parable of the Tares."

Dr. Samuel G. Dixon as State Health Commissioner makes the important statement that free anti-toxin has reduced diphtheria deaths in Pennsylvania eighty per cent. This is a great tribute to the efficiency of the department of which Mr. Dixon was the capable head. The free distribution system has been a blessing to many poor families.

## Be Sure to Use Only

## Cream of Tartar Baking Powder

Food made with alum baking powder carries alum to the stomach unchanged. Scientists have positively demonstrated this and that such food is partly indigestible and unhealthful.

### Tickets February Election.

Laporte Twp. Union ticket:

Judge of election, Z. E. Botsford; inspector, Wm. J. Lowe; supervisors, E. Burk, J. I. Hunter; school directors, Lyman Harvey, E. C. Peters; tax collector, George Karge; auditor, E. Botsford; town clerk, R. E. Botsford; overseer of poor, Harvey A. Hess.

Ringdale precinct: Judge of election, Wm. Keruan; inspector, Lemuel Packard.

Laporte Twp. Democratic:

Judge of election, E. C. Peters, G. W. Rea; overseer of poor, Philip Peterman; school directors, Lyman Harvey, Benj. Hess; supervisors, E. C. Burk, Jacob Jacoby; tax collector, Miard Peterman.

Ringdale precinct: Judge of election, Wm. Kernan, Philip Emig.

Shrewsbury Twp. Union ticket:

Judge of election, G. B. Johnson; inspectors, W. Palmatier, M. Robbins; justice of peace, J. H. W. Little; supervisors, J. S. Bondman, Geo. Rine, S. P. Worthington; auditors, H. R. Dieffenbach, C. Worthington; assistant assessor, J. H. W. Little; school directors, Boyd P. Bennett, J. H. W. Little.

Mt. Vernon, Democratic:

Judge of election, Geo. W. Golder; inspector, Harvey Babby; supervisor, Smith Boudman, S. P. Worthington, W. I. Taylor; auditor, Clyde Worthington; treasurer, A. R. Worthington; overseer of poor, John Diggan; justice of peace, J. H. W. Little; collector, Wm. Rine.

Davidson Twp. Republican ticket:

Inspector of election, Harry Basley; school directors, Gust Olsen, Geo. Meyers, Warren Gritman; assessor, L. M. King; asst. assessor J. J. Young; supervisor, Ed. Travelet; auditor, J. B. Simmons; town clerk, James Sones; treasurer, George Kies.

Democratic ticket: Judge of election, T. S. Laird; inspector, Jacob Stackhouse; school directors, George Meyers, Warren Gritman, J. A. Starr; supervisors, O. A. Fritz, E. A. Fulmer, Charles Hazen; auditor, Wm. M. Robbins; overseer of poor, Geo. Kies; tax collector, C. W. Speary; treasurer, George Kies; town clerk, C. A. Starr.

An educational mass meeting will be held in the M. E. Church, Forksville, Saturday, Feb. 24, 1906.

### Program

"Self Improvement of the Teacher," Miss Snell; "Cooperation," Prof. J. M. Strohl; Recitation, Blanch Wilcox; "School Sentiment," H. H. Green; "Punishment," Miss Leona Bahl; Vocal solo, Dr. J. R. Davies; "The School from the Directors Point of View," Frank Hannon; Song Primary children; "The School from the Parents Point of View," Mr. Ulysess Bird; Recitation, Nora Darby; "The Crowded Curriculum," H. D. Bird; "Criticism vs. Fault-finding," Miss Warburton; Recitation, Earl Moor; "The Work," Miss Plotts; "Agriculture in Rural Schools," Miss O'Brian.

### Evening Session

Devotional Exercises, Rev. D. J. Ebert; Chorus, by school; "A Uniform High School Course of Study," Prof. Jas. A. Bowles; Recitation, Margory Black; "School Sanitation," Dr. H. I. Woodhead; Solo, Emma Benjamin; "The Results of the Course of Study," Supt. Kilgore; "Trial Function of the Public Schools," Prof. D. M. Plick; "Elements of a Good School," Prof. J. H. Ballentine; Quartette, High School Boys; Recitation, Dudley Wright; "The Superintendent's Relation to the School," Prof. M. R. Black; Recitation, Frank Hartzung; "Rural School Problems," Prof. R. L. Molyneux; Recitation, Joyce Ebert; Vocal Solo, Dr. Davies; Address by County Supt. Kilgore.

The teachers of Laporte, Davidson and Shrewsbury townships, and Laporte and Eagles Mere Boroughs will hold their next monthly meeting, Saturday, Feb. 17, at Sonestown, from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m.

Mrs. Sylvia B. Norris, Pres. of the W. C. T. U. of Bradford county, will speak on temperance in the Church of Christ, at Estella, Sunday February, 18, at 7:30 o'clock.

### Editor News Item.

Through your treatment of John L. Farrell and myself by cutting out parts of our letters you caused him to run to new pastures. With your permission we will answer Brother Farrell's letter in your paper and also the Herald. We will show the readers Mr. Farrell's weakness.

Some party told him that I signed a petition to remove the gauger and also the postmaster at Mildred nine years ago, and instead of looking for the truths he rushed to the public with it. Now John the petition was only in the case of a vacancy and there were over 50 Democrats names on the petition, and if we did do so it did not cost the taxpayers one cent as it has done in the case of janitor and truant officer.

Brother Farrell did you read your letter after you wrote it? If you did I do not think you would show such a weakness as to confess to the tax payers and readers that a jackass had such control of the school directors of Cherry township, that they disregarded the standards by which they hired the teachers of the said township. Your letter is a valuable document for the taxpayers to keep for future reference so that they will know what kind of an officer you make.

John in a letter to this paper you stated that my school tax was 13 mills on my assessed valuation of \$50, which made my school tax 65 cents. In your letter of January 31, to the Herald you refer me to the report of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction for 1904 I will see that Cherry levy was 10 mill, that would make my school tax 50 cents. John figures will not lie but it depends on who has the making of them. We will ask you again where does the one dollar poll tax go. Your 17 cents a month theory is all right as far as it goes. The same report, average salary of male teachers in Cherry, \$35.44; in Colley \$50.00, a difference of \$14.56 per month on each male teacher. Average of female teachers Cherry \$27 Colley \$30, a difference of \$3 per month, making a total difference of \$17.56 a month. Pupils in Cherry township 645, in Colley township 489, a difference of 156 pupils. Total expenditures of Cherry \$9,715.78, expenditures of Colley \$5,500.08, a difference of \$4,215.70. Brother Farrell what is the use being at the books for it goes to show that your books and my tax receipts do not correspond. When you show up where this poll tax goes to then we will talk books to you.

John if you had looked for the truth you would have found out that I did not take any part in the work of circulation of Mr. Dogleberg's petition, as I told you before that when it was presented to me I told him it would do him no good, some time afterward Mr. Dogleberg came to me again and asked me to give him my name and I told him to go ahead and use it if he thought it would do him any good at that time, and he did as I gave him permission. I did not see the petition at all. So your letter will not stand the search light.

Why should I go after the road commissioners? If you know or can prove that they are not qualified for their office, you are the man to go after them. They are not responsible for the school directors being controlled by a jackass, we also have the same to say in reference to the overseers of the poor.

When you answer the questions first asked, namely: Janitor and truant officer and why my tax receipt says \$1.65 for school tax, and if that is the only excuse that you can give the taxpayers, that you were controlled by a jackass in breaking away from the standard for hiring teachers. Why is it that a certain school teacher has promised a school to one of his pupils before he has graduated.

Brother John we hope you will be in a little better humor when you write again, and about the size of souls we will leave that to One, Who doeth all things well. All that we ask is to answer my questions.

Respectfully,  
Charles B. Watson.

### BERNICE.

Wm. Stiff, the Republican candidate for school director was calling on the voters of this place and Mildred and has made a host of friends. Do not be led astray by what any one tells about supporting a home candidate. If you had put one up for that gentleman who has an ax to grind and wants you to turn the stone. How many Republican candidates has he voted for? Not one. Every Republican candidate is well qualified to fill the office for which he has been nominated. Look what they did to their own home candidate.

Charley the muzzling act was used on you by the Herald. Farrell kicked because some of his letter was cut out by the News Item, but what about your letter that was cut out altogether by the Herald. This should be a warning for every one to support their own party paper, but hope all papers will not do as the Herald has done which goes to show that they do not practice what they preach, "we want reform," and out every Republican from office, but when it is their own party, the war cry is shut off from the public, and that is the reason why we should work together, when teachers with permanent or Normal certificate are refused for teachers with inferior certificates.

H. J. Schaad and Miss May Cook were Dushore visitors recently, and Messrs D. E. Sutliff and S. A. Dieffenbach were Lopez visitors.

J. H. Thayer of Dushore was a visitor here last week.

Our village blacksmith had an attack of Russian grip last week.

Dr. Nathan C. Schaffer, State Superintendent of schools made a forcible address at the annual meeting of the school directors of Luzerne county in Wilkesbarre. He said that when the bill providing for them was proposed he advocated it but since he has had experience with its operation he is sorry that he did not have a clause inserted providing for firing directors who do not attend and those who attend merely to get their names on the minutes and draw the compensation provided. He also said "I believe that when children rebel against order in the schools they should be forced to obey and I think it wise to bring this about by corporal punishment. If a child acts like a rebel it should be treated like a rebel, with force."

Secretary Kalbfus of the State game commission, who has returned from North Carolina, where he went for the purpose of buying live quail to restore depleted coverts in Pennsylvania, is disgusted with the outcome of his visit. He discovered that public sentiment is against the shipment of live birds out of the State, although he found exposed for sale on the streets dead quail with prices averaging about twelve and one half cents apiece. He says he knows that very large numbers of these dead quail are being shipped out of North Carolina to Northern states, especially to the markets of New York, Philadelphia and Boston.

Ohio has just enacted a law making 2 cents a mile the maximum railroad fare. There is a widespread feeling in Pennsylvania that a similar rate should be established here, as it already exists in New York. As a rule the one way fare in this State is three cents. If the merchants and other shippers of Philadelphia were obliged to pay 50 per cent. more freight rate than shippers in the adjoining states of Ohio and New York it would be considered a grievous hardship. But the people pay that great an excess in passenger fares, and very naturally they are now complaining about it. The temper of the public is now disposed to demand a fair deal in everything. In the face of such a determination the 3 cent fare in Pennsylvania cannot long prevail.—Press.