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

New Spring Dress Goods

We are now ready for the Spring trade. We are showing as fine a display of Dress Fabrics as can be found anywhere. A splendid assortment of plain, dark color and the new light pastel shades. They are not gaudy in effect but soft delicate shades that will be popular this season for dressy gowns.

WIDE CLOTHS FOR SUITS.

The Tailor-Made Suits is again "the thing" street wear. We are showing a large variety of plain and new mixed fabrics in gray and other coloring for Tailor Suits.

NEW SPRING SUITS

There's more individuality in Ladies' Tailored Suits this season than ever before. We have looked through many lines. We think we have the best from several manufacturers. In this first showing of the seasons styles you will find the prettiest Spring Suits imaginable; made of the new plain pastel shades and mixed materials. Better come in and see them.

COVERT JACKETS.

For Ladies and Misses. Not only are the styles unusually desirable, but we have a large variety to select from and the values are unapproaching anywhere.

BEAUTIFUL WHITE GOODS.

There'll be lots of White Goods sold this season. Don't you think it pays to buy your white goods now when the stock is new and the style range is complete

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Death of Miss Lena Rosencrans.

This community was shocked Wednesday to hear of the sudden death of Miss Lena Rosencrans, at Binghamton, N. Y. Tuesday her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Rosencrans, received a message stating that their daughter was dangerously ill, and on Wednesday morning they started for Binghamton, but before their arrival there another message came telling of her death which occurred at seven o'clock that morning, the cause of her death being acute brights disease. Miss Rosencrans had spent the winter in Binghamton, and only last week her parents received a letter from her in which she made no complaint of ill health. She was 21 years of age. The funeral will be held on Saturday from St. John's Episcopal church of which deceased was a member.

Much sympathy is expressed for the parents and brothers who have been so suddenly bereaved.

Child Dies at Hospital.

Rose, the six year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christian E. Heinze, of Forksville, died at 1:30 o'clock, March 8 at the Robert Packer hospital. She was attacked on Tuesday March 1 with appendicitis and was taken to Sayre from her home in Forksville. On her arrival there she was found to be in a critical condition. An operation was performed and it was found that she was suffering from gangrenous appendicitis and peritonitis.

Mrs. Elwood Labar Dies of Consumption.

Mrs. Emma LaBarr, wife of Elwood LaBarr, died at her home in Scranton Tuesday, March 6th, after an illness of eight months of consumption. Mrs. LaBarr was the daughter of the late H. A. Green of Hills Grove and will be remembered as one of Sullivan county's most successful school teachers, having taught six terms at Hills Grove, Shunk and Jamison City.

She was born at Narrowsburg, N. Y., October 7, 1869 and moved with her parents to Hillgrove in 1882 where she finished the course in the village school, attending the Normals at Muncy and Bloomsburg.

August 26, 1894, she was married to Elwood LaBarr of Hills Grove, the fruit of their union being two daughters, Leah and Lucy and one son, Horace Carson, deceased. Four years ago Mr. and Mrs. LaBarr moved to Scranton where they have since resided.

Mrs. LaBarr is survived by her husband and daughters, her mother, Mrs. Lucy A. Green of Hills Grove, six brothers and three sisters: Addison E. and George E. of New York City, Bert E. and Sidney R. of Hills Grove, Harry H. of Estella, C. Herman, of Spiritwood, N. Dak., Mrs. C. E. Hoffman of Hills Grove, Mrs. L. R. Gumble of Picture Rocks and Miss Nina of Scranton.

A large circle of friends both in this county and at Scranton deeply mourn her early death.

On Monday of last week Hotel Ferncliff, a summer resort at Lake Carey, owned by a WilkesBarre party, caught fire from some unknown cause and with its contents was burned to the ground. The loss is about \$10,000 with an insurance of \$3,500 on the building and \$500 on the furniture.

Apples have not kept well the present winter, frequent sorting having been required to prevent the fruit from rapid decay. Lack of sunshine during the ripening period, it is said by culturists, caused imperfect maturing.

David King of Clarion County was convicted of murder in the first degree and sentenced to hang, twenty years ago. The sentence was commuted to imprisonment for life but he was recently pardoned. He appreciated his liberty just enough that he beat his wife over the head with a gun stock until she is in a serious condition. He is in jail again.

Governor Pennypacker has designated Friday, April 6, and Friday, April 20, as Arbor days, to be observed throughout the Commonwealth. In the proclamation the governor says: "Since the seventh of February 1903, the forestry have bought over 420,726 acres of forest land, the state now holding in all 753,741 acres of such lands, and this commission is doing much to preserve and maintain our forest and streams. It behooves every citizen who cares for the welfare of the Commonwealth to lend assistance and to give encouragement to this important work. The lives of men and trees are so interwoven that without the other neither can exist. The growth of the grove means, both happiness and benefit to mankind."

That it is never too late to get your just dues from Uncle Sam, was illustrated by the experience of a well known Lock Haven citizen, a veteran of the civil war and leader among the local G. A. R. men. At the close of the war he was with Sheridan's army, and in September, 1865, was mustered out of the service in Texas, near the Mexican border. He went to Washington and received what he supposed was full pay for services and transportation. Six months ago—40 years after he was mustered out—in a conversation with other comrades—he was made aware that he should have received a larger sum than he did, and accordingly wrote to the War department for a statement of his account, which he received a few days ago, also a government draft for a balance of nearly \$100 which was still due him for his services in the Civil War, mostly on transportation account. Had this amount been placed on interest at that time and compounded, it would now amount to about \$1000. The recipient is a great admirer of Uncle Sam's system of bookkeeping, especially in the War department, for he is thereby just that amount to the good, which he didn't know was coming to him until six months ago.

The farmers this year face a gloomy outlook as far as securing help is concerned. For several years past while good crops came as their reward there was increasing difficulty to secure hands and the farmer from early in spring until late in the fall found himself head over ears in work, which often made it impossible for him to indulge in needed recreation—to harvest his crops without loss or to dispose of them when the market conditions were just right. During the present winter the farmers began to look around for help early and many of them thought they were well supplied for the coming summer only to find themselves disappointed at the last moment and obliged to make a fresh canvass for hired men. The business conditions, which have kept our industries humming even during the dull months, and affords an encouraging outlook for the future, is in no small measure responsible for this state of affairs. There is a demand for hands at our town industries. It is easy to find an opening and the farmer boy, who has always looked longingly toward town with its shorter hours of labor etc. does not have to wait long for an opportunity to try the experiment. That the boys of the farm are often disappointed in the change and are willing to return to the country does not go very far in solving the problem. The fact remains that there is a general exodus of the young men from the farm to town and that the question of farm help constitutes a problem not easy to solve.

A remarkable invention has just been perfected and patented. It is a machine which makes corks out of waste paper and paper pulp. All kind of waste paper can be made into corks which are superior to the regular sort, as they are not affected by acids or oils; they have been tested by leading chemists, and the largest users of corks, and it is claimed for them that they are far superior to the old style in every way.

A strike of the anthracite miners is inevitable and one in the soft coal fields is probable unless President Roosevelt takes control of the situation and makes an effective intervention with the ways and means at his command. The possibility of the anthracite operators and miners reaching an agreement is regarded as practically nil in view of the absolute refusal of the demands of the miners by the operators and the strong stand taken by the miners for better conditions.

That President Roosevelt purposes a masterful stroke at the psychological moment is indicated by the presence of Dr. Chas. P. Neal, United States commissioner of labor, at a conference with John Mitchell in Philadelphia. They were in conference for over two hours, and while neither would discuss the subject of their meeting, both admitted that the situation was extremely serious. The absolute refusal of the operators of the hard coal miners' demands seems to admit of no possibility for concessions unless great pressure is brought to bear. The operators refuse all the demands, and stand flatly on the award of President Roosevelt's anthracite commission of 1902. The operators refuse absolutely to recognize the United Mine Workers of America officially. The operators assert that if the grant of 10 per cent increased wages asked for by the miners is allowed the "cost to the consumer for domestic sizes will be increased \$1.20 per ton, without a penny in increase to the operator." Few believe that John Mitchell will back down. When the time comes he will be ready to do battle. Preparation for a strike goes on unceasingly at the mines and along the lines of the anthracite railroads. Storage of coal continues and the mines are being operated to their capacity. Over 15,000,000 tons have been stored at various places. The operators say that in the case of a strike the price of coal will not be advanced. Men are working day and night erecting stockades around collieries, and barracks are being tentatively sought for the accommodation of the new state constabulary who will probably be called on.

County farmers have been anxiously examining their fruit trees during the past week to ascertain if any damage was done the buds from the warm weather of January followed by the freezeup conditions of February. As far as heard from reports are favorable but in other sections of the state some damage is reported to the peach trees where the buds appear to be nipped off although cherry and apple trees don't seem to have been affected.

It would certainly be an odd winter without early complaints of the destruction of the peach trees.

Outbreak of Pin Eye.

There is an outbreak of the malady known as the "pink eye" in many sections of the state. The disease is one that affects both man and beast. The eyes become inflamed and painful and sometimes does not yield readily to treatment. School children are quite likely to contract the disease, and in many instances the disease goes through entire families.

This county experienced an epidemic of pink eye about fifteen years ago.

Not a Good Place for Money.

That a bank is the best place for savings was again demonstrated when Charles McAdams' barn at Cross Fork, Lycoming county, burned on Saturday. The cause of the fire is unknown. Both of Mr. McAdams' automobiles—which were partially insured—were consumed and \$800 in silver which he had hidden in a trunk in the barn is lost. Mr. McAdams is of the opinion that some one broke into the barn, burst the trunk open and took the money and then set fire to the building. Those who committed the crime evidently did not want the horses and cow to perish, as they untied them and let them out of the building.

Burned Public School Building Reduced to Ashes.

Items of Interest About Town.

The High School building at this place was burned to the ground on Sunday morning, March 11, between the hours of four and five A. M. Mrs. Shafer was the first to see the fire and by the use of a cow bell it was but a short time until the church bell was ringing and the breaker whistle blowing which brought a large crowd of people to fighting the flames and save the building, but the fire had got too much headway to extinguish it. The school house was built seven years ago at the cost of between three and four thousand dollars and the library and books was valued at nine hundred dollars. The total loss will reach five thousand dollars. The building was insured for four thousand dollars. The cause of the fire is unknown. A meeting of the school directors was held in the Mildred school house on Monday to make arrangements for a place suitable to finish the term of school.

Later—The directors have made arrangements to hold school in the I. C. F. and the K. of L. halls.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Powers was buried on Saturday. Interment at the Presbyterian cemetery.

Mr. C. F. Patton who was injured in the mines some time ago returned home from the Williamsport hospital on Saturday. He can now walk with the aid of a cane.

Miss Mary Hannon of Mildred who has been visiting friends at Scranton for the last three weeks returned home Saturday evening.

Mrs. W. Parr, of Mildred was called to Sayre on Wednesday on account of the serious illness of her niece, A. Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Roberts.

Thomas Hope who is working at Berwick is spending a few days with his family at Mildred.

Miss Blanch Brown of Mildred was a Dushore visitor Saturday.

We wonder which is the most qualified to attend to—the duties of any office, the man that attends to the office three times a day or the one who attends to it once a day and has to get boys to do the rest of the work?

County justice is a strange mixture. Not long ago a man was arrested and brought before the squire but as the evidence was not strong enough to convict him he was discharged. The prosecutor asked what the costs were and the Squire replied that it would come out of the other cases.

George E. Forest of Laquin is visiting William Barlow, the Mildred blacksmith.

Prominent Lawyer Commits Suicide.

Stanley W. Little, a prominent attorney of Bradford county, residing in Towanda, committed suicide at his home, March 8th, by shooting himself through the mouth, dying almost instantly.

He was well known, in legal circles and was a long time a leader in state politics.

The cause is not known, but it is thought by his friends that he did it while in a state of melancholia. He was sixty years old.

Will Depart From Old Custom.

Rev. Father Connelly, pastor of St. Gabriel's church, informed the members of his congregation that funeral sermons would be dispensed with in the future.

This was a costume that had crept into the church and had been carried to extreme.

People who live good lives, he said, do not require any eulogy over their biers.

George D. Reeder of Mill Creek township, Lycoming county and Elizabeth Cresgie of Fox township, Sullivan county were united in marriage by the Rev. Thos. Shipple, at the home of John Gumbel on Tuesday evening, March 13th, 1906.