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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.

Fabrics for Easter Dresses

Whatever fabric you may favor—all Wool, Silk and
Wool, or fine Cotton, is here—so many weaves that we
can't attempt to describe them.

Fine, all-wool batiste, either dark or light. We have just opened a new lot of
the new Pastel shades. It's a popular Serge with white ground and black
fabric for dressing gowns. They are checks and broken plaids, for
50, 65, 75c and \$1.00 **50 cents**

We show a handsome line of stylish and serviceable
materials for Jacket Suits—56 inch Grey Suiting for
\$1.00 a Yard

Silk Petticoats

We have received another lot of those
stylish Silk Taffeta Skirts. They come
in Old Rose, Reseda, Grey, Pink, Alice
Blue, Green, Light Blue, Cardinal, White
and Black. They are only 50c

Tailored Suits

Whatever your requirement as to style,
fit or cost, in a tailored suit or dressy
gown our stock will meet it. Some hand-
some Easter gowns are being shown now

New Veilings

If you want a stylish Veil come and
see the new veilings. We have plenty of
the correct styles and they don't cost
much.

New Dress Trimmings

Of all kinds for gowns, suits and waists
are here, so many kinds and different de-
signs that we can't mention them here.

White Goods

For waists or dresses we have a fine
variety to choose from—hardly a kind
you can think of isn't here from the plain
lawn to the fine, exquisite imported Swiss
es. Will you take a little time and look
at them?

Knit Underwear

You will be wanting lighter weight knit
underwear soon. We have now ready all
the desirable kinds for men, women and
children. Whether you buy the least ex-
pensive or the very finest, you are assured
here that it will be right.

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AN ORDINANCE.

GRANTING PERMISSION TO THE
SULLIVAN COUNTY TELEPHONE
COMPANY, OF PENNSYLVANIA,
TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND
MAINTAIN ITS LINE OF POLES,
WIRES AND FIXTURES UPON,
ALONG, UNDER AND OVER THE
STREETS AND PUBLIC HIGHWAYS
OF THE BOROUGH OF LAPORTE,
SULLIVAN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA.

BE IT ENACTED AND OR-
DAINED by the Town Council of the
Borough of Laporte, Sullivan County,
Pennsylvania, and it is hereby enacted
and ordained by the authority of the
same, that The Sullivan County
Telephone Company, of Pennsylvania
its successors or assigns, be and the
same are hereby granted the right,
privilege and authority to construct,
operate and maintain its lines of poles,
wires and fixtures upon, along, over
and under the streets, alleys and
public highways of the said Borough
of Laporte, upon the following terms
and conditions:

Section 1. All poles erected by the
said company shall be located under
the direction and supervision of the
Town Council, or a committee of the
said Council, and shall not be so
placed as to interfere with the ordi-
nary use of the said public highways,
obstruct entrances to gateways, or
driveways, impeded or interfere with
the flow of water in ditches or drains,
or unduly interfere with any shade
trees growing along the said high-
ways.

Section 2. Said Company shall be
subject at any and all times to any
and all general ordinances or resolu-
tions now in force or that may here-
after be passed regulating the use of
public highways or other public places
in said borough.

Section 3. Said Company shall
hold said Borough free and harmless
at any and all times from any and all
damages caused by the construction
or negligent operation or maintenance
of said lines in said Borough and shall
at all times save, protect and keep
said Borough harmless from any and
all actions for damages for any acci-
dent to persons or property by reason
of the use, occupation and enjoyment
of said highways as aforesaid.

Section 4. The permission hereby
granted shall not be construed as
precluding the Borough of Laporte
from granting similar permission and
rights to any other person, firm or
corporation.

Section 5. In case the said Com-
pany shall fail to erect poles and con-
struct a working telephone line with-
in a period of one year from the date
of the passage of this ordinance, all
rights and privileges granted herein
shall be declared forfeited. And if
the said Company shall fail to keep
and maintain a proper telephone pay
station or stations within the said
Borough, for the use of the said
telephone line by the public, then and
in that case all privileges and rights
herein granted shall cease and deter-
mine and be declared forfeited, and
the said poles, wire and fixtures may
be removed by said Town Council, its
agents or employees.

Section 6. All expense of the pub-
lication of this ordinance, as required
by law, shall be paid by The Sullivan
County Telephone Company aforesaid,
its successors or assigns.

Section 7. This ordinance shall take
effect and be in force from and after
the earliest period allowed by law.

The above ordinance was passed at
a regular meeting of the Town Coun-
cil of the Borough of Laporte, Penn-
sylvania, on Monday, April 2, 1906.
Approved April 2, 1906.

W. H. RANDALL,
Attest: Chief Burgess.
F. H. INGHAM, Secretary.

Administrators' Notice.

Notice is hereby given that I have
taken letters of Administration on the
estate of Frederick Arthur Bennett, late
of Shrewsbury township deceased. All
persons having claims against said de-
cedent will please present them duly
authenticated for payment, and all who
know themselves to be indebted to him
will please make payment to me.

BOYD P. BENNETT,
T. J. & F. H. Ingham, Attys. Admr.

Administrators' Notice.

Estate of Sarah Whitmire, late of Dav-
idson Township, Sullivan county, Pa.
decd.

Notice is hereby given that letters of
administration c. t. a. upon the estate of
said decedent have been granted to the
undersigned. All persons indebted to
said estate are requested to make pay-
ment; and those having claims or de-
mands against the same will make them
known without delay.

JOHN W. PAXTON,
Administrator, c. t. a.
Austin, Pa., Jan., 29, 1906.

Send your raw furs and skins to
Lichtenstein Bros., and get the very
highest market prices for skins in
your vicinity. A first shipment will
convince you. Write for our new
price list. LICHTENSTEIN BROS.
113 River Street, Paterson, N. J.

There are busy times at the State
fish hatcheries and it is stated at the
Department of Fisheries at Harris-
burg that during the next six weeks
more young fish will be taken from
the hatcheries and distributed to
various points in the State than there
are inhabitants of the United States.
At least it is estimated that 80,000-
000 will be distributed. This vast
number will consist principally of
pickereel, yellow perch, wall-eyed
pike, and muscalonge, but other
varieties will be included. Five
hundred gallons of frog spawa have
been secured. Reports from fish
wardens are that streams all over the
State are full of trout and that catches
are large.

Two hundred high school girls of
Vermont, who will graduate this
year, have taken the most sensible
action in this connection yet report-
ed. They have pledged themselves
to spend no money for new gradua-
tion gowns, engraved invitations,
etc., on which most high school
graduates spend a good deal of mon-
ey which they can ill afford, but in-
stead will take the money and make
an excursion trip to Washington.
No more sensible action than some-
thing like this could be taken by the
graduates of any school.

An Oxford, Chester county, boy,
16 years of age, committed suicide
the other day for a singular reason.
As a member of the prospective high
school graduating class he was the
only boy, and the embarrassment of
appearing upon the stage with a lot
of girls so preyed upon his bashful-
ness that he went to a neighbor-
hood creek and drowned himself.
It is the most remarkable case of be-
ing afraid of the girls that can be
found on record. There are boys
who instead of being embarrassed by
such a "bunch" would glory in it
and wouldn't think of drowning
themselves.

An exchange says: "The gayest,
lightest hearted, most pleasure lov-
ing city of this continent" is the way
San Francisco is described before the
great calamity visited it. Twenty
four hours a day and seven days a
week the merriment was kept up.
Saloons, theatres and business houses
ran a mad race with each other, and
Sabbath, a day of rest, a thing un-
known. Some think that the past
horrors were sent as a judgement
upon them. Possibly it was. At
any rate, it ought to and will sober
them. Man was not born for mere
enjoyment. "Eat, drink and be
merry, for to-morrow we die," is
the jest of mere fools. San Fran-
cisco seems to have missed or ignored
the real object of life. Out of the
ashes and ruins of the old city should
arise one whose people are not less
happy, but more noble and thought-
ful, and fulfilling the mission for
which they are created.

During the electrical storm that
passed over this section Sunday
night, lightning struck the resi-
dence of James Russel in Laporte
township doing considerable dam-
age but fortunately injuring none
of the occupants. Every room, ex-
cept one, in the house was visited
by the destructive agency. A light
was burning in the room in which
Mr. Russel was sleeping which was
put out by the shock and a quantity
of plastering was knocked from the
wall at the foot of the bed. The
straw tick on the bed in which their
daughter, Anna was sleeping
was set on fire, yet she says
she did not feel the shock. In
another bedroom the bed was com-
pletely demolished and the clothing
set on fire. By prompt action the
fire at different parts of the house
was extinguished before much dam-
age was done. The bolt entered the
house by the way of the chimney
and tore up things about the kitchen.
A tin milk can that was near the
stove was pierced through and
through as though a rifle shot had
struck it. In another place the
lightening penetrated the wall
tearing a hole completely through
the side of the building. It seems
miraculous that Mr. Russel and his
family escaped without any injury.

Sunday School Convention.

A Sunday School Convention
will be held at Eagles Mere on May
9, 1906, in the Baptist church.
This Convention is to be held
especially for the enjoyment and
benefit of the Sunday School peo-
ple of Eagles Mere and Shrewsbury
Twp. and they extend a cordial in-
vitation to their friends and neigh-
bors and all others who desire to
attend to be present. The sessions
will be held in the afternoon and
evening, commencing at 2 P. M.
and 7 P. M. The programme to be
used will be the same as the Tour
Party Programme used in the win-
ter and was to have been followed
out at Eagles Mere at that time but
which, for reasons that then seemed
sufficient, was laid over until a later
date. The county Sunday
School chairman will be present and
expects to be accompanied by some
interesting S. S. workers and speak-
ers. A large attendance is looked
for both at the afternoon and even-
ing sessions. Don't fail to be pres-
ent and manifest an interest in the
work.

There is a movement on foot in
Pennsylvania to abolish the school
tax on farms and homes and have
the state pay the entire cost of the
schools.

How many of our people know
just what this agitation means. It
means that it is the intention that
the state shall pay the entire costs
of the schools, and pay said cost
from an increased taxation on cor-
porations. That is a proposition
which probably ten out of every
eleven people will agree to, with
the exception of the corporations
that are to be taxed. Now, comes
the other phase of situation. If
the state pays the entire cost, the
state pays over the entire super-
vision. Instead of a local school
board we will have a school com-
missioner or superintendent, ap-
pointed from Harrisburg, and hold-
ing complete power over the schools
of a county or district. When a
new school house is needed or we
think we need one, wires will have
to be pulled with a state school com-
mission. The position of county
superintendent will be a very nice
political plum for the state authori-
ties to dispose of, and the selection
of teachers will inevitably come
more or less under the same head.
The present system has its defects,
serious defects, and we are not say-
ing but that the proposed system
would be an improvement, but it
must be remembered that it would
be in the nature of a revolution,
and revolutions always upset things
and when once upset they may
never get entirely righted again.—
Hughesville Mail.

An appeal to congress for a loan
of many millions of dollars, at two
per cent interest and to be secured
by mortgages is to be made by busi-
ness men of what was San Francisco.
One of the greatest tasks yet to be
performed is in that portion of the
city which escaped the flames.
Practically every house standing lost
all chimneys, necessitating the issu-
ance of an order prohibiting the
building of fires until chimneys are
rebuilt.

During a ball game at Sayre to
benefit San Francisco sufferers the
grand stand collapsed last Friday.
Mrs. F. S. Mitten was rendered un-
conscious and probably fatally hurt.
Others sustained less serious injury.

The sixteenth Annual meeting
and banquet of the Alumni As-
sociation of the Forksville High
School will be held immediately
following the graduating exercises
on Tuesday evening, May 8, 1906,
at the residence of J. L. Snyder.
Constitutional Amendment al-
lows that each member take one
person. Price per plate fifty cents.
Pearl Benfield, Sec.

BERNICE ITEMS.

Dr. J. A. Campbell of Mildred was
a Williamsport visitor Saturday and
Sunday.

Dr. J. L. Brennan of Mildred
phoned to the Williamsport hospital
for a nurse to take care of Mrs. Wm.
McGee who is in a dangerous condi-
tion at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Little of
Avoca, Pa. called on Mr. and Mrs.
Patrick Hannon, of Mildred, recent-
ly.

When we are writing about visi-
tors we must mention that there was
an unwelcome one for the business
men at this place and Mildred last
Thursday. He went away \$375
richer than when he struck town.

Sheriff Buck has in his possession,
one of our undesirable citizens, who,
it is claimed, has committed all the
postoffices and depot robberies which
have taken place the last six months.

How can a teacher be secretary of
the School Board when the law says,
"the secretary is to receive the month-
ly reports from the teachers, he ex-
amines them and if found correct he
signs them and if not correct, he is to
have them made so before issuing the
monthly orders for the teacher's
salary. If the school directors are
not qualified to fill the office of sec-
retary, let them get some that are.

Mrs. F. F. Schaad and Maggie
Watson were visiting the former's
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Saxer of Cher-
ry, on Sunday.

S. A. Dieffenbach of Mildred spent
Sunday with his parents at Dushore.

We would like to see the school
directors, when they organize, do
their own work and not be dictated
to by one man. It is time this "one
man rule" was knocked in the head.
If six has to be ruled by one, the
quicker they get out of business, the
better it will be.

Though in business only since the
third day of April, the Grange
National Bank at Tioga, of which
John G. McHenry, of Benton, is vice
president—the first one of its kind in
the world—commands a business not
to be despised. Storekeepers, grist
mill owners, grain sellers, railroad
and nearly every other avenue of
business are daily receiving checks
of the Grange bank and the deposits
now amount to about \$100,000. A
feature in the new bank's business
is a system of safe deposit boxes.
Already Grangers who heretofore
kept their insurance policies, deeds
and receipts in insecure drawers or
boxes at home, have rented these safe
deposit receptacles.

The success of the first Grange
bank is a matter that is receiving the
close attention of Grangers in this
and other states as a clean-cut busi-
ness proposition. The price of the
bank shares is low, and the number
to be held by one person is limited.
It is the desire of the officers and di-
rectors of the new bank to have bank
stock in every Granger's family.

Dr. F. S. Dobbins of Philadelphia
had the first swim of the season at
Eagles Mere on Monday April 23,
when snow was on the ground. The
weather was warm when he left
Philadelphia and he anticipated an
early swim, and was not content to
go home without it even though the
water was icy.

Constables are made fire wardens
by an act approved March 31, 1905,
and are empowered to call out their
neighbors to fight forest fires. They
must act under this law on pain of
prosecution for failure, and are en-
titled to be paid fifteen cents an hour
for this branch of their work. This
law is a move in the right direction
in that it makes it somebody's busi-
ness to try to prevent and extinguish
forest fires.

By the action of the Board of
Pardons on Wednesday the death
sentence of James Salerno, William-
sport, the insane murderer, was
committed to life imprisonment.
The confinement required by this
change will have to be enforced in
some lunatic asylum if Salerno
should survive his prostrated con-
dition in the Williamsport jail.