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## This Is the Place To Buy Your Jewelry

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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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## COLE'S HARDWARE.

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## 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  
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General Repairing, Roofing and Spouting.

**Samuel Cole, Dushore, Pa.**

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

### Ladies Cotton Wash Shirt Waist Suits

New line to show you; nothing daintier, nothing prettier, nothing so economical as these two piece summer suits. We have about every style that will be worn in striped and figured parcale, madras and plain colored cotton fabrics. Prices vary from \$1.50 to \$6.50.

Ladies' tailor made White Lawn, Duck and Linen Wash Suits, some are plain, others are trimmed with embroidery for \$6.00 to \$12.00.

### BLACK TAFFETA.

Taffeta is the leader of the silk fabrics. We have two special qualities of 27 inch taffeta that are extra value for

85c and \$1.00.

Black chiffon taffeta, 36 inches wide and the best value we have ever offered for

\$1.00

Yes, we have other qualities that range in price from

50c to \$1.50

White Wash Silks for waists are very popular just now. See the qualities we are showing at

50c, 75c and \$1.00

Men's Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers. Shirts have either long or short sleeves—two good qualities for

25 and 50c.

### White Shirt Waists

Some of the prettiest we've ever seen. They are made of sheer white lawn, Swiss, etc., with dainty embroidery and lace trimmings. Then you will find an unusually large variety to choose from; all are new styles, perfect in finish and reasonable in price.

We have just opened a new lot of ladies' white wash belts. Some are plain, others are embroidered. There are some excellent values among them for

10c, 25c, 50c and \$1.00

You have light underwear to buy. We are showing some values that are hard to beat. Ladies' low neck and sleeveless ribbed vest for

10c, 12 1-2c, 15 and 25c.

Ladies' fine Swiss Ribbed Vest, extra fine value, for

50c to 1.00

## THE GRANGE

Conducted by  
J. W. DARROW, Chatham, N. Y.,  
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Grange

### WORK IN CONNECTICUT.

#### State Grange Interesting Itself in Grange Library Work.

A movement has been on foot for a year or more having for its object the placing of libraries in subordinate granges of the state. A year ago Professor Charles S. Phelps of Salisbury was made chairman of a special committee on circulating libraries and at the last meeting of the state grange reported that the state library committee would at state expense furnish ten



O. S. WOOD, D. A. PECK, L. A. HEALEY.

libraries of twenty books each to be circulated among the granges of the state. The proposition was accepted.

The grange has also interested itself the past year in the State Agricultural college and by its activity assisted in securing an appropriation from the legislature for this institution. Thus the Connecticut Patrons are assisting in the work of education in their state. At the last meeting of the state grange O. S. Wood was re-elected master, D. A. Peck overseer, L. A. Healey lecturer, and their portraits are presented herewith, Mr. Wood's being at the top of the picture, Mr. Peck at the left and Mr. Healey at the right.

### GRANGE LEGISLATION.

#### National Grange Committee Inter-views the President.

The legislative committee of the national grange consists of ex-Governor N. J. Bachelder, master of the national grange; Hon. E. B. Norris, master of the New York state grange, and Aaron Jones, master of the Indiana state grange. The committee met some weeks ago in Washington. President Roosevelt gave them a private conference on some matters of pending legislation. He very emphatically expressed his opinion as opposed to any modification of the present oleomargarine law and believes a parcels post system will be established.

The committee also called on the interstate commerce commission and before them reaffirmed the position of the grange on what is termed rate legislation and stated that the organization, as a body, stood ready to exert its influence in favor of giving the commission power to regulate transportation rates and prevent unjust discrimination in transportation charges and rebates.

On Feb. 7 the grange was represented at a hearing before the ways and means committee upon the bill to remove the internal revenue tax upon alcohol, rendered unfit for a beverage, for use in the industries. National Master Bachelder presented an able argument for the proposition, as did a Michigan state grange representative and others.

The committee interviewed the chairman of the committee on agriculture and other influential members of congress upon pending legislation to provide national aid for highways. It informed the congressmen that the principles of the bill known as the Currier good roads bill were endorsed by the grange, but the committee does not anticipate the enactment of this law at the present session.

Postmaster General Cortelyou informed the grange committee that he had under consideration the advisability of the experimental adoption of the parcels post system in certain sections of the country, a method pursued when rural free mail delivery was established, and the committee informed the postmaster general that this would be entirely satisfactory.

The committee on agriculture was also interviewed relative to reducing the tax on colored oleomargarine from 10 to 2 cents per pound, but there seems to be but little probability that any such legislation will be passed during this session of congress.

### Illinois Patrons.

Illinois state grange has gone on record as opposing railway passes and favoring a two cent railroad rate throughout the state. It also favors the consolidation of school districts and the free transportation of children to and from the schools.

### Death of George L. Bennett.

Sullivan county's oldest resident, George Lewis Bennett, died at his late home near Muncy Valley, Wednesday of last week, of general infirmities due to old age.

Mr. Bennett was the last of the earliest settlers of Shrewsbury township. He was born near Hunter's lake, on the place now occupied as a large reservoir, by the Eagles Mere Light Plant, on August 7, 1817. His parents were Thomas and Phoebe Woolley Bennett. He had seven brothers and five sisters; William, Frank, Charles, Joel, Joseph, Samuel, Nimrod, Abbie, Eliza, Mary, Agnes and Dehlia; all dead. Mr. Bennett married Lida Ann, daughter of John and Mercy Little of Lewis Lake, now Eagles Mere, another historic family of that locality. Their union was blessed with six children, two dead and four living, they are Amanda, at home; Emma Lyon, dead; Fletcher, who resides at home; Richard Watson, (better known as Dick) of Eagles Mere; Anna Vroman, at home; Anthony, dead.

Mr. Bennett spent all his long life in Shrewsbury township except one year spent in the west.

He was a splendid hunter and in his early days had many thrilling experiences. The writer visited him a few days before his death and he was told the following interesting events of Mr. Bennett's life: His favorite hunting ground was Hunter's Lake. One time when he arrived at the Lake he found twenty-five deer lying dead on the ice. They had been driven there by the wolves. Whenever deer were chased by dogs or wild animals they would make for the lake and get beyond their pursuer by springing into the water and disappearing, except their nose. But at this time the lake was frozen over with ice and when the deer reached it they were helpless and were caught by the wolves who would bite into their throat, suck their blood and pass to the next. One of Mr. Bennett's early employments was to watch the sheep and keep the hungry wolves away. It was a common experience for him to go out before breakfast and bring in a big deer with his favorite rifle. At the age of sixty years Mr. Bennett caught a doe with his hands near his barn. One time while out hunting he shot a big buck and slightly wounded it, with a sudden savage turn it made for him, his gun being an old muzzle loader single barrel, he was helpless, the big deer got him down but he succeeded in crawling to a nearby log which afforded him a little protection while he got out his big knife and watched his chance and stabbed the deer in the throat after which it soon died. He helped to kill the last panther near Hunters lake fifty-six years ago.

The writer records these things as they are now impossible and always will be.

Mr. Bennett was fond of society. He loved to have visitors, and many words of love are spoken of him. Funeral services conducted by Rev. S. B. Bidlack were held at the family residence Friday. Interment was made at Eagles Mere. The old time hymns were sung by Squire Little and Clarence Dunham.

A genuine western tornada struck Muncy Valley and Sonestown last Saturday afternoon. The storm was general throughout the county but the destruction wrought by the wind was confined to the narrow valley along Muncy Creek. The most serious damage was at Muncy Valley, where five bark sheds of the Tanning company were blown down. Three teams were under the sheds at the time but escaped injury. J. P. Miller was unhitching his horse under a shed at the time the tornada struck the Valley, and he was knocked down by the frightened animal, and was compelled to crawl on hands and knees to a place of safety, just escaping the falling timbers. Several wagons were ruined. Some of the timbers and roof were thrown out into the field. It was a most lucky thing that Sonestown and Muncy Valley did not play ball as they intended to do, the sheds being

near the ball field, it would have been most natural for the crowd to have sought shelter under them.

At the William Hazzen home below Sonestown, a tree was blown against the house, damaging the roof and breaking window panes. The most serious damage at Sonestown was the uprooting of fruit trees.

Last Saturday at Hillsgrove the ball team of that place beat Picture Rocks in a fast game of ball by the score of nine to two. The game was well played by both teams and interesting from the start to the end of the eighth inning when the rain drove both beauty and chivalry to cover. The visitors caught on well with the fans by their gentlemanly conduct and good deportment.

Woodley had the visitors safe at all times and pitched a fine game, the best the visitors could do was to get four scattered hits off him while he struck out 12 of them. Dr. Mervine led the batting with 3 two baggers and a single.

Hillsgrove.		a.	b.	r.	h.	o.	a.	e.
Mervine ss.		5	2	4	0	1	0	0
M. Morris lf.		3	1	1	0	0	0	0
Rosbach 3b.		4	2	0	2	1	0	0
Sullivan cf.		3	3	1	0	1	0	1
J. Morris c.		4	1	2	13	3	0	0
Rinker 2b.		5	1	2	2	2	0	0
Chapman lb.		3	0	0	3	0	1	0
Harrison rf.		4	0	0	1	0	1	0
Woodley p.		4	1	2	1	1	0	0
Total		34	9	12	24	8	3	5

Picture Rocks.		a.	b.	r.	h.	o.	a.	e.
Morse c.		4	0	1	3	1	1	1
B. Boatman ss.		3	0	0	0	4	1	1
McClain lf.		3	0	0	1	0	0	0
F. Boatman cf.		2	0	0	3	0	1	1
Weaver rf.		3	1	1	0	0	1	1
Sirouss lb.		3	1	1	12	0	0	0
Little p.		3	0	1	0	2	0	0
Thompson 2b.		3	0	0	0	1	0	0
Sprout 3b.		3	0	0	2	0	0	0
Total		27	2	4	21	8	4	4

Earned Runs, Hillsgrove 3, Picture Rocks 0; first base on balls, by Woodley 1, by Little 2; left on bases Hillsgrove 8, Picture Rocks 2; first base on errors Hillsgrove 3, Picture Rocks 2; two outs times at bat—Hillsgrove 9, Picture Rocks 9.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Fulmer were guests at Albert Meyers Sunday. Howard Bay was a Williamsport visitor Wednesday. M. J. Phillips transacted business at Benton last week. Parvin Stackhouse of Unityville was at this place Monday. Joseph Phillips, Lester Bay and Harrison Mastellar attended Children's Day services at Sonestown Sunday evening.

### BERNICE ITEMS.

Mrs. John Cook who has been visiting friends at Punxatawney has returned home.

Paul Hood has moved his family from Arcada, Pa. to this place where they will make their future home.

C. E. Jackson was a Towanda visitor Saturday.

A Mr. Biddle of Hillsgrove was a visitor here Friday.

The out of town people who attended the funeral of John P. Murphy, were Mr. and Mrs. John Crowley, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McGee of Sayre, F. W. Gallagher and Thos. E. Kennedy of Laporte, Henry McKibbins and John Yonkin of Lopez.

They say that possession is nine points of the law but such was not the case with the Cherry road machine, and our commissioner will swear to it even if he did have the burr of the hind wheel.

Superintendent O'Brien of the O'Boyle and Foy coal company has some attraction at Pittston, another visit there Saturday and Monday.

Constable McMahon and Joe Voluskie were Laporte visitors Thursday.

Squire Lowry had a case before him on Saturday. Lewis Gotta was found guilty of throwing a soft drink case at David Heiman, and was fined \$5.55.

If the trout fishers read their own fish stories they would not believe them so how can they expect us to get them space in a newspaper that is read by hundreds. We are willing to write up all correspondence that is truthful and draw the line at that.

Any correspondence intended for the News Item that is left at Schaad hotel will be attended to.

Chas. B. Watson is at Allentown, attending the great council of Red Men.

### HEMLOCK GROVE ITEMS.

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The following were Muncy Valley visitors Saturday evening: Gibson Rider, Howard Bay, George Phillips John Beece, George Brown and Norman Herring.

Mrs. E. A. Fulmer, Misses Edna Bay, Muriel Phillips and Bessie Fulmer visited Muncy Valley Saturday evening.

Frank Craft and family of Sonestown moved into the house recently vacated by James Temple.

Services at the churches next Sunday as follows: At M. E. Church Sunday School at 9:30, preaching at 10:30. At E. V. Church Sunday School at 2:30, prayer and class meeting 3:30. Visitors welcome to all these services.

A festival will be held at Fairview Saturday evening, June 16.

An excellent ruling has recently been made by the postal authorities at Washington for which they are entitled to the united thanks of the mail carriers. It has been ruled that where a man keeps a vicious dog about his premises that makes it dangerous for a carrier to deliver his mail, such delivery may be omitted. Unless the carrier is willing to risk the danger of the dog the owner of the vicious brute will have to depend upon himself in getting his mail at the postoffice.

The big saw mill of the Laquin Lumber company which was started up on April 20, three years ago, has made a wonderful record, in that it has never before been shut down for repairs. Thursday and Friday of last week the mill was shut down on account of a scarcity of logs, the contractors clearing up their old cuttings and preparing to make a fresh start in new locations. For over three years the big mill has been running every week day for eleven hours to its full capacity.

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