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Nothing in Town to Compare With
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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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313 Pine Street,
WILLIAMSPORT, PA.

Summer Knit Underwear.

If you have thin Knit Underwear to buy, see our assortment. Made from the best yarns by the best makers.

Ladies low neck, short sleeve and sleeveless Vests for
10c, 12½c and 15c.
Ladies' Ribbed Swiss Vest extra value for
25c and 50c
Fine Mercerized Silk Vests for
50c to \$1.00

Children's and Misses' Summer Knit Underwear, in most all qualities you could ask for.

Summer Weight Corsets.

It's not enough that a Corset be merely light weight, but must be perfectly shaped and good fitting as well as light. You won't find better models or a better range of styles or better value than several makes we are selling for \$1.00. Less expensive ones are here as well in ample variety.

Linens and Towels.

Have you tried us for Linens? Never a better time than now. They are reasonable prices at Shopbell's these days when we are showing an excellent line of new designs of Table Damask, Napkins and Center Pieces.
Plain and hemstitched Towels.
12½c to 50c.

Handkerchiefs.

Have you enough Handkerchiefs? Few persons have too many. July is a good handkerchief month with sheer fine and nicely finished hemstitched ones for
5c, 6 for 25c.

Fine all Linen Handkerchiefs, some are plain hemstitched, others are embroidered and lace trimmed, for
15c to 1.50.

Ready Made Sheets.

We're sure housekeepers won't hesitate about buying them when they see how good and well made they are, plain hem Sheets for
55c to 75c.
Hemstitched Sheets for 65c to 85c.

Pillow Cases.

Pillow Cases with plain hem ready for use for 10c to 20c.
Hemstitched pillow cases 11½c to 22c.
Plain Bolster Slips for 31c to 35c.
Hemstitched Bolsters for 40c to 45c.

THE GRANGE

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

DENATURED ALCOHOL.

It Will Hardly Prove Profitable to Manufacture It on the Farm.

Now that the denatured alcohol bill has become a law and will take effect Jan. 1, 1907, the question will doubtless be raised among farmers if it will be possible for them to manufacture alcohol from their various farm products in individual distilleries upon the farm. They have been led to suppose, and rightly, that denatured alcohol can be manufactured from many farm products, and therefore it will create a new market for their products.

Professor H. W. Wiley, chemist of the department of agriculture, says that it will hardly prove profitable to undertake to manufacture alcohol in a small way upon the farm. No difference how small the quantity of alcohol may be, it cannot be manufactured except under the supervision of a revenue official, and the manufacturer must pay the salary and expenses of this official; at least it is likely that he will be required to do so under the regulations. Thus in the future the manufacture of alcohol, as at the present, will probably be conducted in large establishments. The principle involved is exactly the same as that employed in the manufacture of beet sugar, which, it is found, is impracticable in a small way. Central factories are necessary for the success of the sugar industry, and central distilleries will be necessary in the alcohol industry.

We are inclined to believe that this advice is timely and important, for the successful manufacturer of alcohol requires a thorough knowledge of the chemistry of the process and a high degree of technical skill, and no doubt Professor Wiley is correct in saying that the successful practice of the future will consist of the establishment of a central distillery in a good locality accessible to farmers. In these distilleries alcohol can be most economically made from the raw materials which the farmers furnish.

Secretary Wilson looks with much encouragement upon the benefits which the farmers are likely to reap from the sale of products to these distilleries. Some of the figures which he gives as his estimate on the producing power of certain crops are quite beyond one's comprehension. Figuring the corn crop on the basis of fifty bushels of corn to the acre, he says there would be approximately ten tons of stalks to the acre. Corn which if utilized when sufficiently ripe would yield 2,400 pounds of fermentable matter would produce 170 gallons of commercial alcohol. While fifty bushels is more than the average yield per acre at the present time, yet this yield could be largely increased in the west on the heavier corn lands, and when the vast acreage of corn in the United States is considered—and it is approximately 100,000,000 acres—it can readily be seen that the amount of commercial alcohol produced from the average of ten tons of stalks per acre would be quite incomprehensible.

Potatoes also would yield a very large product and the potato crop would be vastly larger than at the present time, from the fact that potatoes for alcohol need not be of the best quality or finest flavor; in fact, many thousands of bushels that now virtually go to waste could be utilized, and yet, he says, from the present acreage the average yield of potatoes should give 255 gallons of commercial alcohol per acre, and he believes the amount would be doubled by the planting of more productive varieties without taking into consideration their quality.

Testimony For the Grange.

Miss Martha Van Rensselaer of Ithaca, N. Y., is supervisor of the farmers' wives reading courses of Cornell Agricultural college. She pays this high compliment to the grange in connection with the work of the common schools. She says: "I do not know of anybody that is doing any more than is the grange. I do not know of any organization that is as progressive along educational lines and subjects of the day as the grange. It means not only the farmers, but it means the farmers' wives, and I am glad to see here especially that it means the farmers' children. It is not simply the farmer who is keeping pace with the thought of the day as respects his work, but the farmer's wife is keeping up with her work, and the children are being educated for life work."

What the Grange Does.

The grange seeks the greatest good of all.
The grange passed the experimental stage over twenty years ago.
The grange has fought great fights and now wants to share the victories with you.
The grange develops brotherly feeling and good will among farmers.
A usable knowledge of parliamentary rules, tactics and practices is one of the things the grange is able to furnish every member.

The annual carnival illumination of the lake which occurred at Eagles Mere, was in many respects the most successful in the history of Eagles Mere. There were fewer large boats but there were more individual boats and the scene was kaleidoscopic, fantastic, sublime. While the scene above the surface of the water was beautiful, it had a rival in the reflections cast into the depths by the illuminated craft. Long shafts of light were, it seemed, projected far, far down to the bottom of the lake, and moved in stately magnificence as the craft above were propelled to and fro. Sky rockets and red and blue fire added beauty to the enchanting scene, and thousands of persons in boats and on the landings looked on with undisguised admiration.

Capt. E. S. Chase was chief marshal, and led the procession, which started at Cresmont landing and circled the lake. The ingenious floats and cleverly devised individual representations in boats were accorded enthusiastic applause as they passed in review of the landings.

The aggregate cost of the prizes which were the handsomest ever given at an Eagles Mere carnival, was \$100 and the money for their purchase was contributed by the hotels, the Eagles Mere boat company and the Williamsport and North Branch Railroad company.

The awards were made as follows: Grand prize, for the best float—Large mission clock, awarded to the Forest Inn float, which presented a perfect Christmas scene. First prize for single boats was awarded to "Cleopatra," represented by Miss Henrichs, a Forest Inn guest. It was a handsome tea set.

With a view of stimulating interest in the poultry business in Pennsylvania, the State Department of Agriculture has issued a bulletin on this subject. In the opening announcement in the bulletin there appears the following: The poultry product puts about \$15,000,000 annually into the pockets of Pennsylvania farmers; but when it is known that the State of Pennsylvania consumes five times as much poultry and eggs as it produces it becomes necessary for us to devote some time and thought to poultry conditions and prospects in our Commonwealth.

The 33rd Annual Great Grangers' Picnic Exhibition will be held at Williams' Grove, August 27 to September 1, 1906. This is undoubtedly the largest and finest display of farm machinery held in the U. S. The beauty of the exhibit is that so much of it is running. Saw mills, shingle mills, threshing machinery, traction engines and ensilage cutters galore are all shown in operation. Several herds of Prize Cattle will be on exhibition. The auditorium will be attractive as usual. During the day addresses by leading Grangers and Agriculturists. The gubernatorial candidates are expected on Wednesday and Thursday. Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, illustrated lectures by Frank R. Roberson; Thursday and Friday evenings, musical and literary entertainments by the best of Chautauqua talent. Everything first class. Tickets good from August 22nd to September 5th, at low rates on all railroads. Consult your nearest ticket agent.

Elmer Garverick, aged 23 years, residing with his stepfather at Williamsport, is afflicted with a strange malady. He is suffering from ossification of the joints which has progressed so far that he can scarcely move at all and spends his days in a wheel chair. He is unable to help himself and requires attention day and night. He has been treated in the Williamsport hospital and in institutions in New Jersey and New York, but the disease has baffled the best medical skill at these institutions. He is a son of Walter Garverick who was afflicted with a similar disease, for over twelve years and finally died from it. Friends are making an effort to send the boy to Mt. Clemens, Mich. to see if the hot spring, and mud baths will do him any good.

At the last meeting of the Sullivan County Sunday School Committee, which consists of the officers of the County Sunday School Association within the County. The attention of all Sunday School and especially of Sunday School district officers, should be directed to them, and it is urged that all districts incorporate them in their by-laws. These recommendations are:

1. That officers of District Associations hold conferences at least once a year for the purpose of deliberating on Sunday School interests of their district, and inaugurating such movement as will tend to advance the work.
2. That a committee be appointed from their number to visit the Sunday School in their district at least twice each year, and familiarize themselves thoroughly with the condition and prospects of each school.
3. That this committee shall assist, when requested, the county officers in collecting Sunday School statistics.
4. That they shall aid in stimulating the forward movements, such as Home Department, Normal Classes, Primary Work and organize Bible Study.
5. That they shall assist in organizing new Sunday Schools where needed.
6. That they shall aid in arranging for district conventions.

The Sunday Schools of Davidson Township, Sullivan county, held their summer convention at Hemlock Grove M. E. church on North Mountain, Tuesday, August 14th. The convention was in every sense a success. The conferences were spirited, instructive and helpful and the attendance was large. Delegates were present from every Sunday School in the district as well as many from outside the district. Mr. Vernon Hull, President of the Sullivan County Sunday School Association presided and made the chief address of the evening. The other speakers were: Rev. Bidlack, H. C. Boatman, W. W. Hazen, D. Shires and J. A. Muller, Sunday School Field Worker. The following officers of the district were elected: Chairman, W. W. Hazen; vice-chairman, Daniel Shires; secretary, Miss Mary Buck; treasurer, Normal Superintendent, Rev. Bidlack; Home Department, H. C. Boatman.

Orders have been issued by the State superintendent of public printing and binding that no more presentation copies of Small's legislative handbook are to be issued nor are any copies to be rebound in fancy style at the expense of the State.

This will cut off the gilt-edged, finely bound copies of the valuable handbook of Pennsylvania which are annually distributed to officials and prominent persons, and will save the State from \$8,000 to \$10,000 a year.

The entire issue of 25,000 copies of this indispensable book will hereafter be bound in navy blue cloth with leather tips and back and reduced to document size, thereby cutting down its bulk and cost. The rebuilding, or making of the presentation copies, has been done at the rate of from 8,000 to 10,000 a year, each book costing nearly a dollar.

The handbook for 1906 is in the hands of the printer and will be distributed next month. It will contain new pictures, including one of the new capital and the executive building, more attention being given to proper indexing.

If dispatches from Williamsport are reliable, that bustling little city is about to be boomed by the location there of a million-dollar cement manufacturing enterprise. A mill costing \$445,000 is to be erected on the property formerly occupied by the King farm near Nippino Park on the Susquehanna river. The plant is expected to employ about 300 hands and will have a capacity of 2,000 barrels daily of the finished product.

BERNICE ITEMS.

Dr. Campbell of Mildred has moved his family to Williamsport where they will make their future home.

The Sunday School excursion to Eagles Mere on the 15th was well patronized.

Frank Ramsay of Mildred spent part of last week at Avoca visiting his brothers, Tom and Robert Watson.

W. H. Hill from Dushore was a Mildred visitor on Saturday.

Robert Ramsey who has been working at Vintondale, Pa. have returned home.

Michael Donovan who is working at Sayre is spending a few days with his family and Mildred.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Newell of Orleans are visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Newell of Mildred.

M. J. Phillips of Muncy Valley transacted business at Mildred Friday.

Mrs. F. O'Brien of Philadelphia is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. McGever.

Miss Kathryn Connor accompanied by her brother Donald have returned home from Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. John Payne of Oracisco are visiting old time friends at Mildred and Sugar Hill.

William Schaad is in Canada looking after his coal interests.

Mrs. Nellie Collins of Mobile, Ala. is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Duncan.

The Red Skins of Mildred are making arrangements for a big day, October 12th, when some of the head chiefs will be present.

J. B. McCartney, of Sonestown, was in the city yesterday on business. Mr. McCartney is the man who started the clothespin factory at Sonestown, now one of the leading industries of that prosperous village.

Just now he is spending much of his time on another clothespin factory which he is establishing between Laporte and Forksville in Sullivan county. He has purchased 1,600 acres of hardwood timber, and will have plenty material for some time to come.—Williamsport Evening News.

Congressman E. W. Samuel has received a very flattering endorsement form one of the strong labor journals of Washington D. C.

The journal in question gives a lengthy review of the work of Congressmen and says:

"We can say from a personal conference, through correspondence, through reports of friends who know them, and by noting their votes and remarks on different subjects that have been before Congress for legislative enactment, that the list of members published in this article can be depended upon by friends of labor to advocate and vote for constitutional measures in the interest of labor."

Then follows the list of those found worthy of support by labor interest throughout the country. (Hon. E. W. Samuels is named in the list, and he will have the active support of labor in this district for re-election to an office he has served with dignity and with great value to the district.

Pierce Shug, a well known business man of near Hughesville, who recently returned from an extended visit through the west, was arrested on Wednesday charged with having obtained money under false pretense. The prosecutor in the case is Jacob Perr, the Hughesville merchant. Shug gave bail in the sum of \$1,000 for trial at next term of court. Mr. Shug's liabilities are about \$17,000.

Only the hardest kind of effort saved a car of charcoal which took fire at Laquin on Friday night. The car took fire from the load being improperly cooled before being placed in the car and the charcoal was saved only by unloading, the work being done by a fire department hastily organized from among the spectators.

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