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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,
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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
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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.

Summer Knit Underwear.

If you have this 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, 12c 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.

12c 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 11c to 22c.

Plain Bolster Slips for 31c to 35c.

Hemstitched Bolsters for 40c to 45c.

Married in the Grange.

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They stopped before the master's desk, when a brother and sister in the Order were united as man and wife by one having authority so to do. After the ceremony a recess was declared and congratulations extended to the newly married couple. Refreshments were furnished by the groom.

Conducted by
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Grange

VIEWS ON GRANGE WORK.

State Master Horton of Michigan Gives Answer to Some Questions.

Hon. George B. Horton, master of Michigan state grange, has for several years been at the head of the grange movement, and by his individual efforts, seconded by a strong deputy organization, has built up the grange to its present high standard in that state. In a recent interview he was asked if he saw any danger, or signs of danger, ahead in the grange movement; if so, what are they? He replied: "In times of prosperity there is danger of those being attracted to activity for selfish purposes. For farmers, by farmers and in the interest of farmers' should be the words passed all along grange lines. No matter how seemingly sincere or earnest and solicitous for our welfare, be watchful of the active movements of those members not directly interested in the tilling of the soil or in farm life."

Asked if the grange was undertaking too many things in national and state legislation, and if it would be wiser to attempt less and perhaps secure more, Mr. Horton replied: "There is very little danger of the grange becoming overaggressive. Our chief care should be to espouse reforms based upon common sense and justice. If we are wise in this, the good name of the grange will be perpetuated through generations to come."

Asked what questions of a public nature are now demanding the attention of the grange in Michigan, Mr. Horton said: "We are attempting to amend the direct nominations law and also enact good roads legislation in a rational way. We are discussing forestry from the farmer's standpoint and have kept up the agitation for the denatured alcohol law, which is now on our statute books."

CIVIC AFFAIRS.

Each Grange Should Be the Center of Civic Life.

The field for grange activity is as wide as its members care to make it. The ideal condition would be to have the grange the center of civic life and rural progress. Its members should lead in local community improvements, and they should be a recognized, helpful influence in every community. The future is to see important changes in educational processes and in the larger utilization of schools, schoolhouses and equipment. The rural school should continue to be the best school, but its work should be brought into closer touch with life on the farm and in the home.

A committee on civic affairs should be appointed in every grange, and through this committee the grange and the public generally would be induced to promote such objects as the following: First, neatly kept grounds about farmhouses and village homes; second, attractively kept roadsides, free from rubbish, but this does not mean to ruthlessly cut out brush or trees that add a charm to the landscape; third, proper care of roadside trees, to see that they are not gnawed by horses or destroyed by insects; fourth, co-operation in fighting orchard and other tree pests, so the trees will not only be profitable, but have a pleasing look; fifth, gradually reduce and finally abolish unsightly advertisements or signboards along the highway and on private buildings; sixth, cultivate a spirit of pride in the whole township, its resources, social life and industrial opportunities; seventh, do everything possible to encourage the development of small or large manufactures, home industries, handicraft, etc.

Every intelligent effort along those lines will redound to the interest of the grange as well as be a benefit to all the community.

Oregon State Grange.

The Oregon state grange is one of the few that hold their annual meetings in the spring. At the last meeting, held in June, A. T. Buxton was elected master to succeed B. G. Leedy, who had held the position for several years. Resolutions were adopted favoring female suffrage, a local option law, postal savings banks, parcels post, electing United States senators by direct vote of the people, publishing the assessment roll annually in each county and holding an educational conference of county assessors each year. Telegrams expressing satisfaction at the passage of the free alcohol bill were sent to congress and to the master of the national grange.

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BASE BALL

At LaPorte Labor Day.

Hughesville and Forksville to Play.

The Hughesville Base Ball team will play the Forksville team upon the grounds of the Laporte Athletic Association next Monday September 3rd, it being Labor Day and a public holiday.

The Forksville team has been reorganized and strengthened and a fine contest may be looked for.

There will be two games, the first at 10:30 a. m. and the other at 2:30 p. m. Admission will be 15 cents for each game. Arrangements are being made for a general excursion from Hughesville and a big crowd will be on hand to enjoy the sport.

The time is close at hand when the great Sullivan county Fair will be held at Forksville early in October and the base ball fans all over the county are asking "who are the teams that will play this year for the championship?" As we understand the Agriculture Association aims to try to have the products of the county on exhibition and why not the base ball products of the county? We have several good teams in the county, why not let them enter the contest with other players from outside counties such as was used last year when Dushore and Hills Grove played. It costs a lot of money to get professionals and the team that wins the small prize money has to pay it to those hired men and more with it while the team that is defeated has to dig down and pay a lot of good Sullivan county money out of their small savings to a lot of high priced professionals who would sell the game for a small price and make the people feel foolish. Now we are sure that the people of Sullivan county would rather come to the Fair and watch our own county players than a lot of professionals trying to represent Sullivan county for money. Give the county boys a chance and the attendance at the Fair will be larger and more excitement will be added to the game.

A move toward establishing a big fish and game preserve has been instituted by H. O. Kline, of Berwick, who has purchased for the sum of \$18,000 the stream and lake and 300 acres of land, known as Beaver Lake. This resort is in Lycoming county, about 25 miles from Williamsport. The lake is in Pen township and lies partly in Sullivan county.

It is said that the best fishing lake in the State is located at Beaver lake and many Williamsporters have visited the place. People go there from all over and at all seasons of the year, not only for the fishing, but for the game that abounds in larger numbers than in almost any other section.

Mr. Kline will make an effort to purchase 700 more acres of land in that section and make one of the largest game preserves in this part of the State. It is his object to form a stock company and sell shares. Besides the land purchased there is hotel with 32 rooms facing the lake and this will be remodelled and made to accommodate many more people.

Tuesday evening a peculiar phenomenon attracted the people of Shunk. Small winged ants, or that is what the insects appeared to be, passed over the place in swarms or clouds. The swarms were so thick or dense that they could be easily seen a quarter of a mile away and at that distance looked like black smoke. The air was literally filled with them and Wednesday morning the ground was alive with them. Like the lice of Egypt they got into the houses and into everything. What are they? Where did they come from and where did they go?—Sullivan Star.

Top buggy for sale. In good running order, for \$16 cash. Inquire of Dr. W. H. Randall, Laporte, Pa.

Dicace Schug an Alleged Victim of Chicago Sharps.

Pierce Schug of Hughesville, of whom mention was made in our last issue as having been arrested on a charge of obtaining money by false pretences now has several similar indictments charged against him and from present indications he has a stormy time ahead of him. According to Schug's story he owes his present position of financial embarrassment to heavy gambling losses in Chicago.

Mr. Schug started west some weeks ago with a snug sum of over \$20,000 to make his fortune in the lumber business, an industry he has followed for many years in Lycoming and Sullivan counties. Before leaving for the west he disposed of all his property and borrowed from friends and neighbors in amounts from \$400 to \$3,000 and now they are poorer than they were some weeks ago as notes are coming due in banks and endorsers find it necessary to "make good" to the extent of over \$17,000.

The remarkable part of the whole affair is that Mr. Schug claims to have lost the bulk of the money in a poker game at Chicago. Although having the reputation of being a careful business man, Mr. Schug permitted himself to be "taken in" by a confidence man while in the Windy city.

According to his story, he carried a grip full of money out to Wyoming and had it when he was on his way home. While on the train he met a Mr. Rogers, and in Chicago the stranger volunteered to take Mr. Schug to see the town. The grip full of money went along on the trip. Later they entered a "swell looking club house," and a game of poker was proposed.

Mr. Schug's knowledge of the game of poker is decidedly limited, judging by the terms used. He does not know the value of a hand. He won \$500 during the early part of the game on "three aces and a pair." This aroused interest, and during the next few hands he placed \$14,000 in cold cash on the table and—of course—lost it all. The game ended and Mr. Schug started for home.

When questioned as to what hand won the game, he was unable to tell. Expert examination as to the points of the game showed that Mr. Schug was not familiar with them.

Last week Schug announced his going into bankruptcy and on Monday a meeting of creditors was held in Haines & Peaslee's law offices in Williamsport. A large number was present. As they all doubted the truthfulness of his reckless gambling in a game he was not acquainted with, they flatly refused to accept an offer to settle at 25c on the dollar and others besides Mr. Perr brought suits against Schug charging him with obtaining money by false pretence with intent to defraud. He has a lot of angry fighting blood camping on his trail and should it be proven that he was working a "skin game" he is apt to have a rough time of it and pay a dear price for his "get rich quick" scheme.

A swarm of innocent little honey bees have been causing Harry Gibbons, a farmer of Columbia township, all kinds of trouble during the past several days, and just what method it will be necessary for him to employ to get them back into the hive he has not been able to determine.

On Saturday last the bees came to his home and took up their abode in the chimney of the house. Mr. Gibbons tried to live them, but the little fellows persistently refused to enter the hive. Coming out of the chimney, they flew all about the house and the family was obliged to remain indoors to avoid being stung, but in spite of this precaution one of his children was stung several times.

Mr. Gibbons tried smoking out the bees, and was in a manner successful in driving them away from the house for a time, but they again took refuge in the chimney, and should they remain there, Mr. Gibbons will no doubt have considerable trouble in getting their honey.

BERNICE ITEMS.

Albert Kay, of Forksville was visiting at this place Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Daniel Schoonover of Mildred who has been nursing her daughter, Mrs. W. B. Brown, of Wilkes-Barre, returned home last week accompanied by Mrs. Brown, who is now in Dr. Brennan's care.

Messrs James J. Ramsay and James Bowles were business men at Sayre last week.

The new bridge is completed and the public is taking advantage of it. John White and son, Edward spent Sunday with Dushore friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Dougherty, Harry White and Miss Vandermark drove to Eagles Mere Sunday.

There was a mistake of the date of the Red Skins' Picnic, it should read Monday October 1st.

Miss Maggie Watson who has been at Scranton, the past two months has returned home accompanied by her sister, Sarah.

John Boland of Wyoming spent several days here with his mother last week.

Miss Katie Finn, of Philadelphia is visiting friends at this place and Mildred.

James Ramsey, Sr., transacted business at Wilkes-Barre Tuesday.

The town of Canton was the scene of a most remarkable act of heroism and self sacrifice on Wednesday of last week. With his bare hand Robert E. Godsey a citizen of that place held a mad dog to keep the animal from attacking a party of children. He was bitten 15 times and as a result is in a serious condition. Godsey was passing along the street, when he noticed a number of girls and boys running toward him screaming, and a short distance behind them a large Newfoundland dog, whose breast was covered with foam. Running at top speed he passed the children, met the dog, which sprang upon them. Seizing the animal behind the fore legs Godsey succeeded in holding on while the children gave the alarm. Men ran from nearby houses and finally killed the dog, but not until Godsey was frightfully lacerated about the arms and legs.

The Corner Stone for the Eagles Mere Methodist Episcopal church, was laid Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. The inclement weather of Sunday as well as Monday prevented this event from taking place before.

The following eminent clergymen assisted the pastor, Rev. Thomas F. Ripple in the services:—Rev. Rob't. F. Gibson, Trinity Protestant Episcopal, Williamsport, Pa.; Rev. Donald McLaren, D. D., Chaplain U. S. Navy, New York City; Rev. D. S. Carry, D. D., First Presbyterian church, York, Pa. and Rev. G. S. Bruining, D. D., First Presbyterian church, Ashland, Pa. Just before the laying of the Corner Stone, Mr. T. J. Furnley, of Philadelphia made a financial statement and asked the congregation for an offering. About two hundred dollars was received.

The contract for the building will be let this week and the work will doubtless be completed early in December.

The directors of the Pennsylvania railroad have sent a locomotive to State College for the use of the students in making tests. They did this in response to a request from the trustees of the college. The directors of the railroad voted to donate the locomotive when the said college shall have provided a locomotive testing plant, and the college authorities have advised the company that it is expected that the State Legislature will at the next session vote a sufficient sum to completely equip a modern testing plant and when that is done, the engine, which for the present is merely loaned, will become the property of the college.