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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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The New Fall Suits

Are arriving every day, the line will soon be complete. Season after season we are selling more suits. We have every reason to believe that our efforts have been repaid and that your confidence in us to secure the best styles will be sustained when you see what a fine showing we will have ready in a few days.

New Walking Skirts

We have scoured the whole market until we found the most stylish, most serviceable walking skirts that would be shown anywhere. They are both plain colors and the new plaids and the new English mixed effects.

THE NEW WOOL DRESS GOODS FOR FALL

Are on the counters. Everybody who wishes quiet, rich, tasteful things in dress fabrics will find them here. Not a desirable cloth or color missing. There are two fashionable cloths this season, Broadcloths and Panamas. We have an excellent assortment of both.

Plaids Are Stylish

Plaids are once more in favor and are made in some lovely color combinations. They are the quiet and sombre tone plaids, not loud as the few years back.

Corsets of the Best

Before the new gown a new corset of course. Let us help you to select the right one. We cannot afford to have anything but the best at the various prices. Critically selected models make up the fall assortments. Every corset shows the new lines demanded by late styles. Whether you buy one for 50 cents or the very finest we can suit you.

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And now we have another vital campaign issue, thanks to the Democratic managers, who are appealing for money to enable them to elect a Democratic House of Representatives, in order to institute an investigation into the management of the Executive Departments. One would presume from the appeal that such investigation would disclose all the various forms of corruption that could be enumerated, for Chairman Griggs, of the Democratic Congressional Committee, says:

"A Democrat can and will investigate every department of the Government. With all these honey-combed with 'graft,' the edges of which only have been touched by recent exposures and prosecutions, there will be a revelation of rottenness that will astound the country and create the demand for a Democratic Administration to clean the Government workshop."

Such an issue is most important, though not a novel one. It was raised in 1884, and after Grover Cleveland was elected with a Democratic House and each Department had a Democratic head, the most thorough investigation was made but with bare results. Not a penny had gone astray, not an official was found to be corrupt, not a single malfeasance was disclosed.

In 1893 the Democrats came into full control and power of the government, and again every nook and corner was searched, and again it was found that under Republican management not a cent had been stolen, and not an official or clerk had been corrupt.

But Republicans have not been satisfied with Democratic investigations. There might at any time be found the same human nature, the same weakness in a small percentage of government officials and employees as is found elsewhere. So when certain irregularities were suspected in the Post Office Department, a few years ago, it was a Republican President who called in a Democrat to join a Republican in the investigation, and when a malefactor was found, it was a Republican Attorney General who prosecuted, and a Republican Administration that weeded out the fraud wherever discovered. Then, in the Interior Department, when the frauds in the local land offices were suspected, investigations were instituted and regardless of the social standing, or political position or influence of the person or persons believed guilty of having committed fraud, it was a Republican Cabinet officer and a Republican Department of Justice that instituted trials and secured conviction and punishment. But this is not all. It sometimes happens that departmental officers and heads of bureaus ignore or misconstrue the law respecting public expenditure, with no wrong motive, or they may be guilty of practices that tend or possibly result in extravagant expenditure.

The record of the 59th Congress shows that it is not necessary for the American people to jeopardize their present prosperity by electing a Democratic House, for the purpose of inquiring into the expenditure of public funds and checking abuses of this kind. Under the present system of framing appropriation bills, it is impossible for fraud, or intentional or unintentional error to exist in the expenditure of public funds, without being exposed.

A Democratic minority, or a Republican minority, has the same power of investigation into all matters pertaining to public expenditure that a majority party has. During the last session of Congress the representatives of both parties on the House Appropriations Committee exercised this power to the fullest extent by closely scrutinizing all estimates for public expenditure, and inquiring into the expenditure of appropriations previously made. Never were the estimates more closely scrutinized, and the expenditure of previous appropriations more closely inquired into by the Republicans and Democrats on the Committees on Appropriations. And in no instance did that Committee fail to report legislation for the purpose of correcting every administrative practice or abuse, with the view of check-

ing unreasonable expenditure and protecting the Treasury against every extravagance. Never were there more extended hearings before the Committee on Appropriations. These hearings were open and full, and a complete stenographic report was made and printed. The Democratic minority participated as well as the Republican majority. These hearings at the last sessions covered four thousand printed pages, largely exceeding the work of any previous Committee.

In the light of these facts, then, we may fairly question if Mr. Griggs makes his assertion honestly, in the belief that the rottenness he describes really exists. We never had a more honest President, a more honest Cabinet, or a more honest Congress. We never had a more efficient Administration, and there never was a time in our history when the Republicans would welcome more heartily a sincere and thorough investigation into the affairs of the Government. And in the light of the investigations, made during the last session of Congress, and the result of the Democratic investigation referred to, would it be wise for the people to take Mr. Griggs seriously?

All the goose bone and tree mark prophets seem to be agreed that the unusual heat of this summer will be followed by a regular old-fashioned hard winter.

In this the prophets are supported by the records of the United States Weather Bureau which shows that the general average of temperature, year after year, runs about the same, mild or severe seasons of heat being followed by similar conditions of cold.

The only apparent possibility of this theory not applying to the coming winter is that the hot summer may be in compensation for the mildness of last winter, and that therefore next winter will be free to make its own record, regardless of that which preceded it leading to the succeeding summer the task of making up the deficit either of the heat or cold as the case may be.

There are numerous signs however of a cold winter ahead. From our neighboring southern states, for instance, comes word that there are bushels of berries on the holly bushes. This is said to be nature's way of providing food for the birds and a big crop of holly berries means a long and severe winter. This prediction is supported by the statement from the west that the corn husks are much thicker this year than they have been for a long time, while news comes from the forest regions of Pennsylvania and West Virginia that there will be an enormous yield of acorns, beechnuts, chestnuts and other fruits of the forest upon which birds and beasts depend for food during the winter.

The proposed pageant and ceremonies at the dedication of the new State Capitol at Harrisburg on the 4th of October, will be among the most elaborate that have ever been held in the State. Immense reviewing stands are now being erected, from which the thousands of guests who have been invited will witness the parade. President Roosevelt and a great number of statesmen ranking high in national life will be present. The city will have many costly decorations. Pillars will mark the course of the parade, houses and public buildings will be covered with flags and bunting. The fireworks planned will be the most magnificent procurable. The two days set aside for the ceremonies, October the 4th and 5th, will be among the most memorable in the history of Pennsylvania. The military display will be a great feature. Two companies of each regiment in the State will contribute the martial feature. The companies of each brigade will be temporarily formed into a regiment. With three brigades in the State Guard this will make three regiments to represent the militia in review. Col. Clement has been placed in command of the regiment formed for the third brigade.

MUNCY VALLEY.

Married—At Muncy Valley Parsonage last Wednesday afternoon by Rev. S. B. Bidlack, Mr. Brady Householder and Miss Jennie Palmater of Eagles Mere.

On last Sunday morning occurred the sad and sudden death of Wilber Larue, the four-year-old boy of Elmer Crawley, near Hemlock Grove. Cause, cholera infantum. The funeral was held on Tuesday morning at Franklin church and interment at the same place. Mr. and Mrs. Crawley are in deep grief. They have the sympathy of a large community in this their first bereavement.

Last Monday at Strawbridge occurred at the home of George Edkin the pretty wedding of their daughter, Miss Laura, to Clayton Bennett, of Eagles Mere. Mrs. S. B. Bidlack played the wedding march, and at hour of 4 p. m. came marching into the parlor the family pastor Mr. Bidlack, followed by the contracting parties and the immediate friends. After the ceremony, escorted by Mrs. Howard Edkin all were led to the dining-room where a delightful repast was served.

At the home of Mr. Alvin Miller of this place, the Stewards on next Saturday evening will serve ice cream and oysters. It is hoped that all will come and patronize the worthy cause.

Think of 5,000 keys. That is the number the State Department of Public Grounds and Buildings will have to provide for the accommodation of the Legislature and the officials and attaches of the various departments of the State Capitol. There are over 500 rooms in the building and about 600 doors. There are three regular keys to each door. That makes 1,800 to start off with. Then in a number of instances each attaché of a department has a key to a general door. That is an elastic and guessable number, probably increasing the grand total to over 2,000. When the Legislature meets the 257 members of the two Houses will each receive keys to a desk, a locker and a post office box. Multiply 257 by three.

Then add keys for various attaches. By that time you will have pretty close to 1,000 more. Now on top of that there is a set of master keys and then duplicate for each and every one. The number is growing and, by the time you stop and think it will be close to 5,000, several hundred weight of keys. To keep all straight Superintendent Shumaker, who runs the Capitol, has a key room which is a sight. It is about nine by five, and some six feet high. On three sides are rows of hooks. There are almost 700 for room keys on which can be hung as high as three keys for every room. Then there is a legislative side and a stock side, each full of hooks.

That there will be an unsurpassed abundance of game of various species, ready for gunners, when the "game law" barriers are dropped, October 1st, is the belief of Coleman K. Sober, of Lewisburg, a member of the Pennsylvania State Game Commission. Never before in his recollection, and Mr. Sober has been a close student of natural history for over a score of years, can he recall such an apparent supply of grouse, snipe, quail, wild turkey and deer. "From every indication," said Game Commissioner Sober recently, "I can safely predict that gunners this year will be appalled by the amount of game. I have taken close observation of the promiscuous breeding of birds in Northumberland and Cumberland counties, and the results are surprising. The forest and woodland virtually abound with them. The winter was not especially hard on game. In regions where the birds suffer most the farmers provided for them by scattering, daily, bags of feed in the woods. This act of the farmers saved hundreds from starvation. There was plenty of food this spring and summer, and the birds simply did nothing but eat and grow fat, so as to be in good trim for the gunner in October. When the game season closes it will show that the season of 1906 was the best for many years."

BERNICE ITEMS.

C. E. Jackson was an Emma visitor Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moyer were Hughesville visitors during the fair last week.

Thomas O'Brien was a Pitston visitor last week.

Miss Amy Fair who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. A. Dougherty of Mildred, returned to her home at Lehigh, Pa.

James Boyles of Sayre, is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Boyles, on Sugar Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. William Johnston of Wyoming, spent a few days last week with their sons, William and Lee Johnston.

J. O. Osler of Elkland, spent a few days last week with his son, H. W. Osler.

Allan Andye and Robert Watson of Mildred, are visiting the former's parents at Laquin.

Mrs. Michael Donovan of Mildred, is visiting her husband, who is working at that place.

Mrs. John Cook of Mildred, received a message on Wednesday stating that her son-in-law, David Peacock, was dead. He lived in this place for a number of years and had the good will of the people. He left this place in 1901 and went to Boone, Iowa, to make his future home. Mrs. Cook left on the morning train Thursday to attend the funeral. The cause of his death is unknown. He was a member of Katonka Tribe No. 336.

Mary Watson of Mildred, returned to Scranton last week.

May Helman of Scranton, has returned to fill her position in the store.

Joseph McHugh and Frank Lowery were Wilkes-Barre visitors last week.

J. H. Thayer of Dushore, was a Mildred visitor last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. White of Canada, is visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James White.

Dr. J. L. Rrennan was a Wilkes-Barre visitor on Monday.

Joseph A. Helman was a Dushore visitor on Monday.

Another bloody and dardardly murder at West Berwick early last Thursday morning to add to the already long list of crimes committed in that section among the foreign element. This time a new comer to the town, Dominick Caluso, said to have been marked by the Black Hand, was shot down outside his own door, and his body almost riddled by the hail of shot which smashed windows and embedded themselves in the doors and sides of all houses in the neighborhood.

The nomination of A. W. Duy, Esq., of Bloomsburg, for State Senator, is being well received by the people of the district, and predictions are freely made that he will prove one of the strongest candidates ever nominated for this important office. That he will receive the united Republican support as well as a large number of Democrats, is generally admitted by those who are familiar with the conditions that exist throughout the Twenty-fourth Senatorial district.

One fact that contributes to Mr. Duy's strength is the unanimous and harmonious conclusion of the deadlock that has existed for so long a time. The result of the conference did not leave any sore spots. Harry S. Meyer, the Lycoming candidate, who made a gallant contest for the nomination, accepts the result philosophically, and was one of the first to pledge his support to the successful opponent. This is an evidence of the popular feeling, and it is a feeling that will produce results on election day.

Mr. Duy is well thought of in his home county as well as throughout the district, and that he will be accorded hearty support is admitted on all sides.—Gazette and Bulletin.