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CONDENSED REPORT of the condition of the
First National Bank at Dushore, in the State
of Pennsylvania at close of business Nov. 12th,
1906.

RESOURCES. Loans and discounts \$1,000,000.00; Overdrafts 1,441.00; U. S. Bonds to secure circulation 50,000.00; Premium on U. S. Bonds 1,500.00; Stock securities 130,911.27; Furniture 3,900.00; Due from Banks and approved Res. Agts. 71,175.62; Redemption fund U. S. Treasurer 2,500.00; Special and Legal Tender notes 19,313.77; Total \$1,810,922.83

LIABILITIES. Capital \$50,000.00; Surplus and undivided profits 25,758.31; Circulation 1,500,000.00; Dividends unpaid 15.00; Deposits 245,899.52; Total \$1,810,922.83

State of Pennsylvania County of Sullivan ss. I, M. D. SWARTS, cashier of the above named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

M. D. SWARTS, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of Nov. 1906. ALBERT F. HEPPES, Notary Public.

J. D. REESER, S. W. BERGNER, Directors.
SAMUEL COLE, Cashier.

AMERICAN PAUPERISM.

General Prosperity Reducing Ratio of Indigent.

A gratifying showing on pauperism in the United States is made in the special bulletin about almshouses from the bureau of the census. While the number of paupers is increasing, the increase does not keep pace with the growth of the population, the ratio having fallen from 132 in 100,000 for 1880 to a small fraction over 101 in 1905. As might have been expected, the report shows that the big cities, the makers of millionaires, are at the same time the great makers of paupers. Were it not for the yearly grist of paupers ground out by the remorseless wheels of the cities the percentage of paupers would be heavily reduced.

One thing which has cut down pauperism in recent years is the more enlightened method of treating the poor. Instead of sending the children of paupers along with their parents to the almshouse homes are found for them where they are brought up to be self supporting and often valuable members of the community. Also all over the country various charitable societies are constantly at work providing suitable work for the poor who would otherwise be public charges and thus enabling them to be, in part at least, self supporting.

The report shows that pauperism might be almost totally eliminated were it not for two factors—old age, which is inevitable, and the great cities, which are inevitable too. An indigent old age is something which no human forethought can guard against with absolute certainty, but the pauperism produced by the cities is being fought intelligently, and when the bureau of census issues another report of the sort just given out it is reasonable to expect a considerable falling off in the number of paupers which can be ascribed to the great urban populations.—New York Press.

SOPHISTRY ANSWERED.

Free Traders Underestimated Farmers' Intelligence.

Two years ago the Democrats sent a few of their spellbinders into Aroostook to assure the farmers there that the 25 cents a bushel protection which the Dingley tariff afforded them on their potatoes didn't amount to stucks and that the protection which it afforded them on their live stock, their oats, their hay, their butter, their apples, their eggs and various other farm products was really a burden to them if they could only bring themselves to look at the matter from a Democratic standpoint. And did the farmers of Aroostook answer these specious arguments? They did most emphatically on election day, when they came to the Penobscot line with a Republican majority of 4,382.

That was the answer of the farmers of Aroostook and in a similar degree the answer of the farmers of Maine to the Democratic attempt to convince them that they were receiving no benefits under the Dingley tariff law. The Democratic newspapers and spellbinders presented the sophistries they employed in their most plausible way, but they learned to their sorrow on election day that they had seriously underestimated the intelligence of the men to whom they were addressed.—Augusta (Me.) Journal.

Currency Reform.

The urgency of some radical reform in the currency system of the country is apparent, not only to the financiers of Wall street, but to bankers and merchants throughout the entire country. There is little doubt that pressure from every section of the United States will be brought to bear upon the coming congress to make certain absolutely necessary changes in our antiquated monetary system, the inelasticity of which is becoming more and more a source of embarrassment and danger. The chamber of commerce and a com-

mittee of prominent bankers have provided a plan which would undoubtedly afford the relief desired, but there is little hope of its adoption in its entirety because of the political prejudice and the buccolic bigotry of the great majority of the national lawmakers. The idea of the central bank is accepted as the best solution of this perplexed question. It is doubtful, however, if even the suggestion will be made in congress that such a bank be created under the national law. The fate of the old United States bank is too well remembered in Wall street for financiers to hope that there is any likelihood of congress permitting the establishment of any similar institution.—New York Cor. Philadelphia Press.

Dreamer and Doer.

In a recent speech at Lincoln, Neb., William J. Bryan's home, Senator Beveridge of Indiana lauded Mr. Bryan as an honest idealist in politics, "righteous, but not right." He said such men as Mr. Bryan were needed by humanity as protestants in governmental affairs, but they were never able to accomplish any positive work. President Roosevelt Senator Beveridge praised as both an idealist and a man of practical accomplishment. Mr. Bryan, he said, was a dreamer, President Roosevelt an achiever.—Port Huron (Mich.) Times.

Massachusetts Mugwumps Who Are Miscalculated Republicans.

Congressman McCall, who is Democratic on the tariff question, manages to keep in congress from Massachusetts by the aid of a Republican tag. He is a chronic disturber of Republican peace in Massachusetts and elsewhere, and his attitude on the tariff is now warmly applauded by Democratic newspapers. Mr. McCall, Mr. Foss and others, not to overlook Governor Guild, are chiefly responsible for the dislodgment of the Republican party in Massachusetts from two fundamental Republican positions. The consequence is that Massachusetts, which under really Republican impulses would go uniformly for the Roosevelt article, is alternately eclipsed by mugwumpery or by Ben Butler radicalism. The violation of the platform is responsible for all the perils which threaten the Republican party. Thanks to Roosevelt, the chief of these perils has been obviated.—Lewiston (Me.) Journal.

Chinese and the Canal.

Governor Magoon's criticism of worthlessness of coolie labor on the Panama canal leads the Springfield Republican to express the opinion that, as his judgment cannot be based on personal observation, it isn't worth very much. "If he is correct, however," the Republican adds, "and if those are correct also who pronounce the negro laborers incompetent, the question arises who is to dig the ditch anyway."

Claim Everything.

"Democrats who term President Roosevelt the best Democrat that ever sat in the White House are like the devil when he offered Christ all the kingdoms of the earth if the Saviour would do his bidding," said Joseph G. Cannon, speaker of the national house of representatives, in an interview. "The devil claimed all the earth, but he did not own a foot of it," added Cannon.—Kingwood (W. Va.) Journal.

DROPS TRADE MARK CURES RHEUMATISM LUMBAGO, SCIATICA NEURALGIA and KIDNEY TROUBLE DR. S. D. BLAND OF Brewton, Ga., writes: "I had been a sufferer for a number of years with Lumbago and Rheumatism in my arms and legs, and tried all the remedies that I could gather from medical works, and also consulted with a number of the best physicians, but found nothing that gave the relief obtained from 'S-DROPS.' I shall prescribe it in my practice for rheumatism and kindred diseases." FREE If you are suffering with Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Kidney Trouble or any kindred disease, write to us for a trial bottle of "S-DROPS," and test it yourself. "S-DROPS" can be used any length of time without acquiring a "drug habit," as it is entirely free of opium, cocaine, alcohol, laudanum, and other similar ingredients. Large Size Bottle, "S-DROPS" (300 Doses) \$1.00. For Sale by Druggists. SWANSON RHEUMATIS GURE COMPANY, Dept. 80, 100 Lake Street, Chicago.

John D. Reeser's Big Store, Bank Block, Dushore, Pa. CASH DEPARTMENT STORE. Get Ready for Christmas

By making your purchases at the Cash Department Store for here you will find the largest, latest and best line of X mas novelties for 1906 to be found in the county. We have something appropriate for every person. Our varied and very complete assortment insures satisfactory selections in all cases, and desirable gifts for either old or young may be found in abundance. The following list contains many HELPFUL SUGGESTIONS.

Dry Goods Department An elegant showing of New Dress Goods, Fine Silks and Waistings, Neckwear, Gloves, Hosiery, Umbrellas Underwear, Aprons, Table Linens, Towels, Ribbons, Robe Blankets, Comfortables, Bath Blankets, Dressing Scaques, Leggings, Ladies' and Children's Linen Lunch Cloths, Napkins, Furs, Coats, Fine Black and colored Skirts, Millinery, Silk scarfs, Ruffs for the neck, Tamoshanters and Toboggan Caps, Infants' Long and Short Coats, Knit Gowns, Bonnets, Scaques, Shoes, Dresses, Skirts, Hosiery and Shoes.

Miscellaneous. Books, Albums, Bibles, Prayer Books, Scrap Books, Autograph Albums, Wrist Bags, Cut Glass, Stationery, Mirrors, Comb and Brush sets, Pocketbooks, Music Rolls, Fancy Baskets, Japanese Wear, Clocks and Trays, Framed Pictures, Ink stands, Jewel Cases, Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, Card Cases, Fans, Belts, Jewelry, Napkins, Cuffs, Mittens, Neck chains, Fine Toilet articles, Soaps.

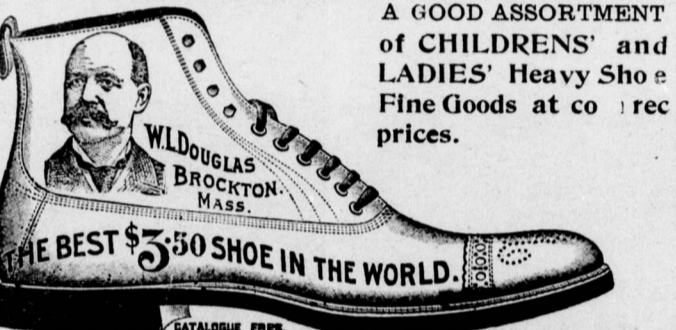
Mens' Furnishings. Kid Gloves, Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas, Suspensers in boxes, Night Shirts, Day Shirts, Underwear, Trunks, Bags, Shippers, Shoes, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Shaving Sets, Smoking Sets, Shaving Mirrors, Neck-tie Boxes. GROCERY DEPARTMENT. Mixed Nuts, Figs and Cherries, Cranberries, Malaga Raisins for the table, Currants, Pound Cake, Choice Cookies, Maccaroni, Stuffed Olives, and a full line of choice and staple groceries. We are agents for the Red Band Brand Choice Candies; only 10 cents a pound, worth double the money. Do not forget the place.

John D. Reeser's Big Store, Bank block DUSHORE.

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Short Talks on Advertising By Charles Austin Bates. No. 19.

People generally read advertisements more than they did a few years ago. The reason is to be found in the advertisements themselves. Advertisers are more careful than they used to be. They make the advertisements more readable. Some of them even become, in a way, a department of the paper, and people look for them every day with as much zest and pleasure as they turn to any other feature. This is true of many department stores all over the country. In many cities there is just one man who appreciates the value of such interest. He breaks away from the old set style. He tells something interesting in his space every day. There are lots of interesting things in business. Look over the miscellany page of any paper—look at its local news columns, and its telegraph news, for that matter, and you'll see that the majority of the items are more or less closely related to some business fact. Dress these facts up in a becoming garb of words, and they will find readers, even though they be in a "mere advertisement." Let the merchant come down off his pedestal. He needn't be flippant—far from it, but let him not write as if he were addressing somebody afar off, and telling him about something at even a greater distance. The newspaper goes right into its reader's house—goes in and sits down with him. It is on the table when he eats, and in his hands while he is smoking after the meal. It reaches him when he is in an approachable condition. That's the time to tell him about your business—clearly, plainly, convincingly—as one man talks to another.

Williamsport & North Branch Railroad TIME TABLE. In effect Monday, Sep. 25, 1906.

Table with columns for AM, PM, P.M., M.A.M., A.M., STATIONS, A.M., P.M., M.P.M., F.M., and times for various routes including Williamsport, Sunbury, and North Branch.

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