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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.

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**RETTENBURY,**  
DUSHORE, PA. The Jeweler

## 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  
Burner to a low priced but satisfactory cook stove.

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.

## New Dress Goods For Spring.

ARE ON DISPLAY.

Excell them? Impossible! Equal them? Try! We  
are proud of our selection—eager for you to see them—  
confident of your approval.

For with a great care we have picked and chosen and purchased, and know  
that there are not to be found more worthy and beautiful representatives of the new-  
est and best in Spring Dress Goods.

Novelty and exclusiveness are the features of the rarest combinations of weaves  
colours and effect ever manufactured are included. Certainly the display is the su-  
perior of any in this section, and you need go no further in your search for modish  
fabrics at the moment. Make your selections early when the fabrics, the weaves,  
the color combinations and the prices are sure to delight you.

## Wide Material for Tailored Suit

We are showing an exceptionally large collection of 50 to 56-inch fabrics for  
Jacket Suits in the new stripes, checks and fancy mixed materials, some excellent  
values at \$1.00 and \$1.25 a yard.

## Plain and Fancy Panamas.

Panamas are now recognized as one of the very best materials made for service  
and then they are stylish. We have them in all the plain colors and fancy mixed  
and over plaid checks.

ALL WOOL BATISTE

MIXED SUITING.

In all the new dark and evening shades. There is no better fabric made for inex-  
pensive dressy wear than this all wool  
batiste for

We are ready to show you the most  
complete line of fancy mixed suitings and  
plain fabrics you will find anywhere for

50c

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### Death of Former Laporte School Teacher.

It will be learned with sadness by many of our readers, the death of Mrs. Isabell Hill, nee, McLaughlin a former school teacher at the Laporte high school. The following is taken from a Pittsburgh paper.

Mrs. Isabell McLaughlin Hill died Tuesday night at the family home, 4133 Dalavan street, from typhoid fever. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McLaughlin of Oakdale. She graduated from the Clarion State Normal school in 1895, being one of the honor graduates. From that time until her marriage in July, 1905, to J. H. Hill, she taught school at Duquesne and Carnegie, being assistant principal at the latter place. She is survived by her parents, husband, one sister, and one brother. The funeral services will take place this evening at her late residence at 7 o'clock, with the interment tomorrow at Freeport, Pa.

The financial affairs of the 13 State Normal schools are to be probed by a joint committee representing the appropriation committee of the senate and house. The management of those institutions will be required to explain what they have done with the money given them by the state in the past, as well as tell what they mean to do with the funds for which they are asking at this time.

The coming probe is the direct result of a request made by the normal schools for an increase of \$650,000 over the special appropriation usually given the state.

Lock Haven Normal school was, it is said, in danger of foreclosure by a Philadelphia trust company, by reason of farming out its state funds.

The investigation sub-committee named by Chairman Sheatz, of the house committee, comprises Representatives Shreve, Dunsmore and Flinn; while the sub-committee named by Senator Crawford includes Senators Heidelberg, McNess, Thompson and Godcharles.

There seems to be no end to the variety of meanness. William Startzell, a well known railroad, was recently killed, and a number of persons called at the home in Shamokin to view the remains and sympathize with the widow. It was afterwards found that a watch of the unfortunate man was stolen by one of the visitors.

The man who didn't advertise died long ago, and he died regretting the fact that he didn't. He might have died leaving a competence to his family; but he didn't. He might have cut a figure in the commercial world but he didn't. He might have lived without anxiety; but he didn't. He might have died without the unpleasant consciousness that his young children would be left to struggle for their subsistence; but he didn't. In short he didn't; and that tells his story.

An action has been begun by Mrs. Martha Hungerford against the village of Waverly. President Lawrence, each of the trustees, and Jefferson Bingham, street commissioner of the village, for damages to the extent of \$5,000 for injuries sustained last June by stepping into a hole in a side walk on Waverly street.

The attorney for Mrs. Hungerford is Charles Annabell, and he claims, that, not only is the village liable but all the officials as well whose duty it is to keep the walks in a safe condition.

Martha Peterman, a young lady formerly of Benton, Pa., was killed in the Young Woman's Christian Association building in Philadelphia, on Sunday morning. She was employed at that place as an elevator operator and Sunday morning she ran the elevator to the eighth floor where she left it standing while she went to breakfast. When she returned the elevator had dropped several feet below the floor. Miss Peterman lay down on the floor to reach the controller and run the lift back to the floor level, but in doing so she turned the lever the wrong way and the car descended crushing her head.

### Object to Assessments.

The following from the Wilkes-Barre Record of March 4, 1907, may be of interest to Sullivan county taxpayers, A. H. McClintock, representing the Lehigh & Wilkes-Barre Coal Co., on Saturday filed an appeal from the decision of the board of revision relative to the reassessment and valuation of the company's coal lands in the city of Wilkes-Barre, and appeals to the Court of Common Pleas for a decision. The petition sets forth that the company's coal lands in the city have been assessed too high and higher than coal property of other owners; that the valuation of \$100 per foot thick coal vein is far too high and entirely out of all proportion.

The petition goes on and states how many acres of coal lands the company owns in each ward and contends that \$3,000 per acre of coal lands and \$400 per acre for surface is sufficient valuation. The total valuation in each ward of the company's properties is as follows: First ward \$18,000; Second ward \$89,700; Third ward \$865,450; Sixth ward \$354,300; Eighth ward \$27,030; Ninth ward \$253,500; Tenth ward \$284,720; Eleventh ward \$189,040; Twelfth ward \$804,630; Thirteenth ward \$854,510; Fourteenth ward, 915,250; Fifteenth ward, 1,387,620; Sixteenth ward, 106,470.

The further contentions of the company are that the valuations and assessments fixed by the board of revision are above the market value of the several properties; that the valuation and assessment were not made with due regard to the valuation and assessment of the other real estate in the city of Wilkes-Barre, but is at a higher rate than the rate of valuation of the other real estate; that the valuation and assessments are not just and equitable, having due regard to the valuation and assessments made of the other real estate in the city; that the petitioner expects to be able to prove at the trial of the cause that the above list of valuations is correct, as made up by Harry C. Mason, land agent for the company.

Pleading guilty to the offense of furnishing the liquor to George Phillips, that finally resulted in his death, William Barto of the American House, Hughesville, was fined \$200 and the costs of prosecution. A petition signed by three hundred citizens of Hughesville was presented asking the court to be lenient in its sentence of Barto. At the time of the death of young Phillips, indignation ran high among the people of Hughesville, but it was afterwards learned that Phillips drank from a bottle that was standing on the counter when the bartender's attention was turned in another direction, and that Barto was not responsible for all the liquor drank by the young man.

General Manager Atterbury of the Pennsylvania railroad company has ordered the removal of all steel cross ties now in use on the Pennsylvania railroad as a result of the recommendations of the special committee appointed to investigate the wreck of the Chicago special near Johnstown, two weeks ago when many persons were injured. The committee says they are unable to account for the cause of the accident but they are of the opinion that the damage subsequent to the derailment was much more serious than would have been the case with wooden ties. The three pulman cars that figured in the wreck, and which were in a previous wreck are now considered "hoodoo" cars and will be burned by orders of the company.

By Washington's Birthday the back bone of winter, to use a trite expression, is supposed to be broken and harbingers of spring are mostly on the way. The present winter, however, seems to be an exception.

—Sayre Presbyterians are trying to collect "a mile of pennies," the unique idea being a part of a plan to wipe out the church debt. A mile of pennies will add \$844.48 to the building fund.

### Newspaper Advertising Proved to be a Profitable Investment.

The first M. E. church of Trenton, N. J., was filled recently by newspaper advertising. It was a farewell service in a series which two revivalists had been conducting in the church for three weeks.

Following up a system of billboard and trolley car advertising that had placarded the city for more than a month, the church committee in charge of the revival Saturday inserted in a local afternoon newspaper a half page advertisement in the boldest of blackfaced type under the startling headline, "Stop, Look, Listen!" The advertisement detailed the services of the day, offering as a special attraction a large chorus choir.

The effect of the advertisement was all that had been anticipated, for long before the hour for the service to commence people began to fill the building, which is one of the largest auditoriums in Trenton.

One of the official board of the church, when asked of the effect of the advertising, said: "When a theater or a circus or a baseball game wants to get the people it advertises for them. We simply adopted the same method and we got the people. With more than 100 persons professing conversion during the three weeks that we have been advertising, we felt that the money had been well invested. We did not wish to be sensational, nor do I think we have been, but we think religion is practical and we took a practical way of letting the people know what we had to offer them."

Former Governor Pennypacker's review of the administration, written for the Philadelphia Public Ledger, will appeal to fair minded men who are familiar with the conditions of which he writes as a very modest summing up of the accomplishments of one of the most eventful periods in the history of our Commonwealth.

President Roosevelt has said, in a public address, that a single phase of the Pennypacker administration, the extra session of the Legislature of last winter, has no parallel in the records of any State for the production of so many good laws in a single brief session. But that was only one of many things for which the Pennypacker administration will be held in grateful memory by the people of Pennsylvania.

In consideration of the very violent, and oft-times malicious manner in which Governor Pennypacker was assailed during his four years in the executive chair, the great sarcasm of his references to his critics acquits him of carrying any grudges out of office. He can well afford to look back over his administration and smile at the recollections of the futile efforts to distort his motives, misrepresent his statements, exaggerate his mistakes and disregard his good deeds.

This article is one of the most interesting, if not the most notable, of the products of the pen of Samuel W. Pennypacker.—Telegraph.

### To Collect Fees.

For the purpose of collecting money which he contends is due him for fees Sheriff Sharpless, Northumberland county has brought suit against the county commissioners at Sunbury.

In his bill of particulars Sheriff Sharpless sets out that he is entitled to expenses and fees for serving requisition papers ordered by the county, even though he fails to capture the party wanted. The Northumberland commissioners contend that unless the sheriff is successful in bringing back the party that he is sent after, he is not entitled to either pay or expenses, and they refuse point blank to settle accounts of this kind.

Another item in dispute is the fees on commitments where prisoners have been sentenced to pay costs. The commissioners taking the stand that the county is not liable to such cases. A third dispute is the payment of fees on the collection of money ordered by the county.

The Northumberland county commissioners have repeatedly refused to settle bills of this nature and will likely fight the case strongly through the costs.

### BERNICE ITEMS.

James J. Conners of Mildred was a Laporte visitor last week.

Edward Hannon has returned home from Wyoming, Pa.

Thomas Ramsey who left for Wilkes-Barre two week ago, returned last week.

Dr. Brennan accompanied Mrs. John P. Murphy to the Wilkes-Barre hospital where she will receive treatment.

James J. Conners and H. J. Schaad have received invitations to the Road-maker's Convention to be held at Pittsburg, March 12, to 15.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Jackson were at Dushore Saturday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Jackson's brother, Fred Utz.

Miss Ruth Meyer is improving from her late illness.

### NORDMONT.

Miss Ada Anders is home again from Sayre.

Mr. Clarence Hess, of Philadelphia has returned home after spending some time with relatives here.

Misses Madge Gritman, Alma Horn, Anna Cox and Mabel Hunter spent Sunday with Eureka Boatman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Boatman spent Sunday with the latter's father Noah Bogart of near Sonestown.

Roy Parker spent Sunday in Hughesville.

Mr. Lean Fiester must have some attraction near Sonestown he visits there quite often.

Cecil Botsford was shopping at Hughesville Wednesday.

Raymond and Minard Peters and Horace Wilson was in Sonestown Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Neuten Phillips and family, and Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hess spent Sunday at Lee Gavitts of near Sonestown.

### Mr. Fred Utz Dead.

Fred Utz, the youngest son of the late John Utz of Dushore, died at the family home, Thursday, February 28, aged 32 years and 5 days. The funeral services were held at the house on Saturday, and interment was made at Zion's cemetery.

Charley Johnson convicted at Towanda of participating in the murder of Maggie Johnson and her niece Annie Benjamin, for which crime Biglar Johnson paid the death penalty, must hang, so declares the supreme court in an opinion handed down confirming the conviction and dismissing the appeal taken by Johnson's lawyers.

The postoffice department will exclude any post cards which have pasted on them, glass, mica or other similar substance liable to injure the persons handling the mails except when enclosed in envelopes. Recently the Makers of post cards have been adding glass and other dangerous substance to their freak cards with the result that there is not a large postoffice in the country where the distributing desk is not covered with fine pieces of glass etc., and frequently the mail men are cut by these substances.

A principle once embraced in a heart, will find its own way of expressing itself in the outward; and sometimes more than one way, according to a man's condition. Let the expression flow from the principle, and not take its place.

In France the telephone girl tells the subscriber "I am listening." In the United States not only the telephone girl, but all the other subscribers listen to the conversation over the wires.

The Pennsylvania Steel company whose plant is located at Steelton, is backing an application for license the understanding being that the profit of the enterprise will be turned over to the town for improvements. The company's idea is to "regulate" the drinking of its foreign employees.