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**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,  
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**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,  
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perior of any in this section, and you need go no further in your search for modish  
fabrics of 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-  
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We are ready to show you the most  
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plain fabrics you will find anywhere for

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### of a Dollar Caused Death.

When a quarter of a dollar tightly wedged in his esophagus, the tube leading from the mouth to the stomach, little Leo Roberts died at the hospital at Sayre Saturday.

A week previous, the baby but two years of age, was playing on the floor at the parents' home at Mildred, Pa. The mother knew the child was playing with the money and suddenly she heard him make a peculiar noise. She rushed to his side, and missing the quarter, realized he had swallowed it. He was taken to the hospital, but before his arrival the X-ray machine had been thrown out of commission by the insulation burning between the primary and secondary coils. This made it impossible to take a radiograph picture of the child's body and ascertain the exact location of the silver coin. On the following day the little boy was taken to Elmira and examined by Dr. Westlake. With the use of the X-ray machine the physician decided that the quarter was located in the right lung. Then he was taken back to Sayre and Dr. C. H. Ott, after an examination, disagreed with the diagnosis of Dr. Westlake. Dr. Ott decided that the quarter was too large to enter the lungs. On the following day Dr. Ott operated. He first passed an instrument into the esophagus but from what has since been ascertained it is known that they simply slipped past the coin, for it was tightly wedged into the tube with one edge turned straight up toward the mouth. Next Dr. Ott opened the child's stomach but the coin was not there. Since that time the child had grown weaker, refused to take food, his lungs seemed to fill as though he had pneumonia, and at four o'clock Saturday morning he died from exhaustion. A postmortem examination was made and the quarter was found tightly wedged in the esophagus just beneath the upper end of the breast bone.

### Jurors for May Term of Court.

Otto Bahr, John Collins, Edward Caseman, Henry Donahue, William Fairchild, Edwin Gleckler, Charles Heinze, Edward Huffmaster, Irvin Hottenstein, Samuel Herst, Thomas Jordan, Lyman Jackson, C. A. Johnson, Henry M. Kellogg, Ezra Keeney Lawrence Lowry, Henry McCarrell, Nathan Peters, George W. Potter, D. W. Pealer, William Power, Lyman B. Speaker, Joseph Sick, Lewis Yonkin.

John Armstrong, Adam Baumunk Elmer Bigger, James Branchly, Monroe Bennett, John W. Brown, Charles Bishop, Thomas Crimmins, John Cahill, Charles Carpenter, William Collins, James Cunesman, Smith Drake, R. C. Dunn, I. N. Dunn, John Farley, James Gainer, Walter Huffman, George Hartzig, Kerr W. Holmes, Robert Hoag, Kimbel Horn, George Karge, George Kiess, Albert Karge, Dennis Keeffe, Adam Kahule, A. B. Kilmer, Lawrence Lowry, R. K. Lather, William Lowe, Dean Molyneux, Henry B. Miner, Melvin Mullen, Richard May, J. O. McIntire, James McGee, John O'Neill, William Narmeter, Frank Schaad, Ira Shaffer, Willis Snider, Jacob Snyder, Fathaniel Tompkins, Henry Voght, Jackson Williams, Colmer Weisbrod, Lewis Zaner.

Senator Godcharles has introduced a bill at Harrisburg to repeal the law of 1867, which requires merchants to pay a tax of a dollar and a half to the county treasurer of each county in which they are doing business. The different Merchants' Associations of this State have been endeavoring to have this law repealed for some time. If successful it will not go into effect until 1909.

That President Roosevelt is stronger than ever with the voters of the after his recent controversy with with E. H. Harriman; that he is desired by a majority of the states as the Republican candidate in 1908, and that there is danger of a Democratic triumph if any other candidate than Mr. Roosevelt is chosen is the consensus of opinion received in a canvass of all of the states in the country outside of the south.

### Governor Signed 2-cent Fare Bill.

Governor Stuart has signed the Dunsmore bill fixing two cents as the maximum rate of fare on all steam railroads in the State. The new law goes into effect on September 30 next.

In signing the bill, the Governor ignored the written request of President McCrea, of the Pennsylvania Railroad, to disapprove it. He disposed of the matter one day in advance of the expiration of the ten-day time limit for signing or vetoing bills or permitting them to become law without his signature.

In approving the measure the Governor issued no statement giving his reasons, apparently regarding this as unnecessary in view of the fact that the legislation was pledged by the platforms of all political parties. Nor did he make public the letters received from President McCrea.

The fact that the railroads made no request for a final hearing before the Governor was accepted as indication that they had no hope of obtaining a veto. There is high authority for the statement that counsel for one of the largest railroads affected advised against such a hearing and advanced the argument that it would be "useless and a mere waste of time and energy."

The supposition here is that the Pennsylvania Railroad will attack the constitutionality of the new law, and that other roads will remain inactive in the matter until the decision on the first test case is handed down by the court. Subsequently it was intimated by a well known corporation lawyer that the Pennsylvania would resist the law in the courts on the point that it was not affected because of its charter right to charge a rate of three and one-half cents per mile.

The two-cent law does not become operative until September 30. It provides that no railroad company shall demand or receive more than two cents fare per mile. The minimum fare charged by a company need not be less than five cents. Railroad companies are given the right to collect an additional ten cents on cash fares collected on trains provided a rebate check is given the passenger. This is the custom at present on the Pennsylvania and one or two other roads. A provision in the law makes it optional with railroad companies whether partly used tickets shall be redeemed. Nothing is said in the act regarding the redemption of tickets purchased but not used.

Violation of the act is made punishable by a fine on the offending company of not less than \$1,000. This is made to apply to each and every offense. Suit shall be brought in the county in which an illegal charge for fare is made.

As explained the law applies to all railroads in the State. There is pending a measure exempting short lines. By short lines the bill in question refers to companies with forty miles of track or less not owned or controlled by larger roads. It is not improbable a new bill will be introduced to amend the bill signed to-day to exempt such short line roads.

This will be done to put before the courts the question whether the Legislature may discriminate between one road and another. Few persons believe the Legislature may do this, but the amendment probably will be offered as a concession to the smaller roads.

John Millard of Laquin, recently was arrested by detective Guy C. Hollon of Towanda, on the charge of forgery. A letter containing a check for \$50 was given to Millard to take to the postoffice but instead of depositing the letter at the office he opened it and took there from the check and forged the name of the payee to the check. Elias Savercool, a contractor of Laquin, who had issued the check swore out a warrant for the arrest of Millard whom Constable Hollon found at Monroeton. He was taken to the Towanda jail and locked up.

### \$25 Prize For Keeping Tidy Premises.

In order that the citizens of Hughesville may have a special stimulus to beautify the surroundings of their properties Burgess Townsend will give \$25 in gold for the three most tidily kept premises in town, divided in three prizes, one of \$15, and two of \$5 each.

A committee of three ladies will be selected, who will keep a supervision on the homes of those persons who have entered the contest for the prizes.

The Avis Advance says that E. Hertram Sylvia, engineer at the Avis Cut Glass company's plant has discovered a secret compound that has almost the same effect on coal and ashes as that discovered by John Elmore, of Altoona. Mr. Sylvia has been working on the thing for about 11 years, but was not able to perfect it until about two weeks ago. He has kept his secret quiet until he could secure the time to give it a thorough test.

Mr. Sylvia has been using the preparation in the glass company's furnace and with about one-fifth of a ton of coal and four-fifths of a ton he can produce about five times the amount of heat that a ton of coal will produce. About 10 cents of the compound will be all that is necessary to use for each ton of coal consumed. During the time the preparation was used not a particle of smoke issued from the big stack at the glass works.

The amount of refuse from the fire-box since Mr. Sylvia has been trying his secret could be loaded in an ordinary toy express wagon.

One feature about the preparation which cannot be found in the Elmore compound is that the firebox, flues and stack are cleaned out to perfection and shine like a silver dollar, every particle of soot being consumed.

When asked what he was going to do with his secret Mr. Sylvia said he intended to have a factory built and manufacture the article in Avis.

The largest all-steel freight car ever built has been received by the Lehigh Valley. The car was constructed at Sayre. It is 100 feet long, three times the length of an ordinary car, and has four trucks, with 32 wheels, while the ordinary car has two trucks and eight wheels. The monster car weighs about 250,000 pounds, nearly seven times as much as the ordinary car. Ten thousand rivets were required in building it.

John William Wood, Sr., inventor of an improvement on car-facing springs now in use on cars by all the principal railways in the country, has just been retired at Altoona by the Pennsylvania, because of ill health, at the age of 66 years. Wood, who was one of the most expert machinists in the service of the Pennsylvania, invented over 100 tools and improvements on tools and machinery, many of which have been patented by the Pennsylvania and put in exclusive use in their shops over the system. For three years during the civil war, Wood held the position of foreman of gunboat repairs at League Island navy yard. David P. Funk, another veteran employe of the Pennsylvania, was also retired, having reached the age limit, 70 years. Funk served through the greater part of the civil war. He was captured by the Confederates and was almost within sight of Libby prison, where he had been doomed to imprisonment, when he was retaken by the Union soldiers.

The bill introduced by Representative Kiess of Lycoming and which is now a law, providing a bounty of 75 cents for the killing of hawks, has led to a universal inquiry from farmers and hunters as to the manner of collecting the bounty. When a hawk is shot it must be produced before a justice and the bounty is given to the man who killed and brought the hawk to the office. After the justice has the sum he is reimbursed by the county at the office of the county treasurer.

Mrs. James Thall, of Cherry township, died April 7 at the age of 54 years. She leaves a husband, two sons and one daughter. The remains were interred at Dushore Tuesday.

### BERNICE ITEMS.

Patrick White is a Wilkes-Barre visitor this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Roberts of Sayre are calling on friends at this place.

James Melody was a Scranton visitor last week.

John Pendergarb was a Sayre visitor last week.

The woman in black is all the rage at this place and she is keeping our streets in a normal condition as far as the young people are concerned for you will not see one around after dark if we could only get some one to take the old men in charge there would be less midnight oil burnt and more happy woman and we would have also a model village.

The death of David Hymen son of Mr. and Mrs. Hymen, age 15 years and 8 months has cast a gloom over our town, less than two weeks ago he was enjoying himself along with the rest of his school mates he was only sick a few days, last Wednesday Dr. Hermann of Dushore was called in consultation along with Dr. J. L. Brennan of this place and they decided to send him to Wilkes-Barre to undergo an operation. He was taken on the morning train on Thursday and was operated on that day, the operation was successful but he passed away on Friday morning and was buried at Wilkes-Barre on Sunday. His parents brothers and sisters have the sympathy of the whole community in their bereavement.

As Buster was returning from a surprise party on Thursday evening he met the woman in black at the Bernice store but he did not put in time talking to her so he cannot tell whether she is tall or short or what she is for the distance between the Bernice store and C. E. Jackson's drug store will never be covered in less time than it took him that night. Since that night you cannot get the young man out after dark.

The following people met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Deffenbach of Mildred and tendered a surprise to their oldest son Louis; Misses Bessie and Nellie Gallagher; Lucy Hannon, Alice White, Lizzie Bartlow, Nora Connors, Margaret Watson, Winnifred Deffenbach; Messers Tom and Frank Ramsay, Eugene and Clarence McLaughlin, Thomas Walters, Fred Weaver, Robert Watson, George Spence, William White, Allen Ande, and Julius Meyer.

Another candidate from Bernice C. E. Jackson for Prothonotary.

Sheriff Buck of Laporte was serving Juror notices here on Tuesday.

William P. Shoemaker of Laporte was a business man at this place Thursday.

The following were Dushore visitors last week; D. Schoonover; L. J. Lowery; Allen Ande; Robert Watson; Patrick Hannon; William Collins; C. E. Jackson and H. P. McLaughlin.

### MUNCY VALLEY.

Misses Murl and Vearl Jillson, and Mr. Joseph Watts of Muncy Valley visited the former grandmother Mrs. Margaret Mapes at Laporte over Sunday.

Miss Ruth Stroup is spending some time at Mrs. Margaret Mapes's.

Miss Anna Hearn of Dushore is spending a few days with friends at this place.

Misses Mabel Moran and Anna Hearn, and Mr. Joseph Watts were callers at Miss Anna Karge's school at Mt. Vernon on Friday.

Mr. J. P. Miller was a Williamsport caller Saturday.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Emery Smiter, April 7, a son.

Miss Ella Mapes of Laporte is spending the week with her sister Mrs. L. F. Jillson.

Mrs. Oscar Stroup spent Wednesday with her aunt at Tivola.

Governor Stuart has approved the bill providing for the payment of \$2 a day for two days and mileage at the rate of three cents a mile of school directors who attend the annual county association of school directors in Pennsylvania.