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We are selling some extra value outing flannels. Then we have a large assortment to choose from, both in light and dark stripes and figures—Newest designs for underwear for 8, 10, 11, and 12c.

Black Velutina.

We are showing two specially good qualities of Black Velutina that have the soft silky appearance of Lyons Velvet. These are much in demand now for Coats and Full Dresses. These numbers are sold for 75c to \$1.00.

Knit Underwear.

How about your underwear supplies? Have you everything you need? If not let us furnish what you want. You won't find any better values than we are showing in either men's ladies' or children's warm knit undergarments. Some specially good values in ladies' Union Suits.

Good Warm Blankets.

either white or colored in all qualities are here and you cannot go wrong in buying them. The prices are very reasonable.

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FOR PURE WATERS AND BETTER HEALTH

Health Commissioner Dixon's Great
Task Is to Reclaim the Waters
of the State From
Pollution.

THE DISPOSAL OF SEWAGE

Sanitary Engineering Division of the
Department of Health Is Teaching
Municipalities Efficient and
Economical Methods of
Drainage.

A lamentable and tremendous amount of needless suffering, sickness, expense and death annually result from the wanton pollution of the streams of Pennsylvania among those individuals dependent upon these sources of supply for drinking water. Hundreds of communities hang in the balance and at any time may have an epidemic of typhoid fever stalking through their midst and decimating their numbers. Hundreds of the young and best lives of the commonwealth are annually sacrificed to the unsanitary customs of sewage disposal. Poison material of human origin from public and private institutions, sewers and privies are emptied into streams at points but short distances above water works intakes, and in a few hours thereafter are delivered through the water pipes of public systems to many innocent and unsuspecting individuals, who rest secure in the belief that the public authorities, having in charge the furnishing of drinking water, and who are responsible for the purity of the water thus supplied, are faithfully performing their obligations.

Public and private corporations, however, even when earnestly inclined, are often limited in their powers to prevent sewage contamination of the sources of water supply.

After years of affliction, and at a terrific cost in human life, it has finally dawned upon the people that a higher authority than the municipality must grapple with the problem and afford a remedy. It is, therefore, of interest to every citizen of the commonwealth to know about the work that Health Commissioner Dixon is doing to preserve the purity of the waters of the state in fulfillment of the duty laid upon him by the act of April 22, 1905.

The enormity of the task is comprehended when one realizes the fact that almost without an exception every city, borough and municipality in Pennsylvania having a sewer system discharges its filth into the most convenient nearby stream, regardless of consequences to the user of that stream at some point below.

Further, where there are no sewers, privies are almost universally located on or near the banks of natural water courses, which thus serve as open sewers. By no known mathematics it is possible to compute the extent of evil, the misery, expense, poverty, lifelong suffering and death which this custom entails; but it is a fact that a large amount of it all would be averted from the state if sanitary methods of sewage disposal were adopted.

It is the privilege, as well as the duty of the State Health Commissioner to bring about just this result. No short sighted, vacillating and radical policy could be successful in such a great undertaking. It will necessarily be the work of years to undo the customs of generations and establish universal healthful conditions. Its success in a measure depends upon the enlightenment and co-operation of the people. The stupidity and skepticism of a preoccupied and selfish populace is a barrier to quick results. Where the public conscience is quickened, voluntary reforms will be inaugurated and benefits will be at once secured. In other cases the law will have to be invoked and enforced.

The Chief Engineer of the Department, F. Herbert Snow, and his assistants are now traversing every part of the State, making examinations of sewerage systems and water supplies and collecting data with respect to the quality of all of the waters in Pennsylvania. More than this is being done. Sources of pollution and menaces which can be abated at once are reported to the commissioner, and in many cases a request on his part to the owner of the premises is sufficient to cause a removal of the nuisance. The number of letters of encouragement and co-operation in this kind of reform received by the commissioner splendidly illustrates the willingness of the citizens of the state to do what is right. In a few cases owners wilfully refuse

to do away with the causes of disease, in which event they are being brought into court or forced to comply with the law.

Another important feature of the commissioner's work is appealing to the municipalities, namely, the utilizing free of cost to them of the services of the engineering department in consultation and advice respecting the installation of new water works and sewer systems and the extensions of existing systems. This engineering service does not interfere with the work of

A Hint to Grange Speakers.
Robert J. Burdette, now pastor of a Baptist church in Los Angeles, Cal., and always a humorist, is opposed to the length of the form of service for the presentation of children and says that, as a rule, he thinks that the service should not be longer than the baby. Likewise grange speeches should not be longer than the speaker can make them interesting.

The Question Box.
What is the specific advantage to a grange in becoming an incorporated organization?

The advantage of grange incorporation is that it gives the grange a business standing, allowing it to buy, sell, contract—in fact, do business as an individual. The acts of its purchasing agent are binding on the grange treasury and not on the members. If a purchasing agent of a grange makes a bargain, it may be repudiated by an incorporated grange and he held responsible, but if given authority by an incorporated grange the grange is responsible as far as its treasury goes and no further—that is, there is no individual liability.

Harrisburg to Hartford.
Pennsylvania granges are preparing to attend the national grange meeting at Hartford, in goodly numbers. Plans are being made for a large party to rendezvous at Harrisburg, then to proceed to New York, stop overnight and go on to Hartford next day.

New York will have added about 10,000 new members by the time the next state grange meets in February, 1908.

Exact justice, equality and a fair reward are the watchwords of the grange.—Aaron Jones.

The Pennsylvania state grange will meet at West Chester, Pa., Dec. 10-13.
J. W. DARROW.

Lee J. Spangler, whose prophecies have attracted attention all over the world has issued his 1908 bulletin. It is more startling than some of those previously issued, for he announces that the world will come to an end.

Spangler has made many prophecies. One of his most recent was the prediction of the Wall street troubles and the death of a banker.

Some time ago he issued a statement in which he asserted that the United States would go to war and would be victorious; that it would ride the sea with its vessels and be supreme on the high waters, and that all the nations will be involved in the coming war.

His Latest Bulletin.
The following is his last bulletin over his signature:

"The treasury will go dry.
"People will carry their money in their pockets and hide it in their houses."

"Families will steal it from one another. This is the gold that is piled up for the last days. This gold will be rust in your pockets. It will give you more trouble than gold."

Labor organizations will come under one head and rule the land.

"There will be great wrath among the people; hatred; killing one another; hanging themselves, and children will rise against their parents, two against three and three against two; mother-in-law against daughter-in-law."

All plagues that are written in the Bible will be brought forth. They will be full of lice, frogs, crickets and locusts. Whosoever will be stung of these locusts will die.

Signs in the Sun.
There will be signs in the sun, in the moon and in the stars.

"In the end of time the sun will be black and the land will be in darkness. The moon will be as blood, the stars will fall and the heavens will be shaken."

"This coming summer and fall the elect, the saints, will be gathered together. 'For unto Jesus shall the gathering be.' The Bride is getting ready to meet Jesus, the Bridegroom, and we shall be changed in the twinkling of an eye and meet the Lord in the air."

Practical jokers sometimes run across people who do not appreciate tricks which appear funny to the perpetrator. One of these practical jokers in Bradford county went to the house of a neighbor, whose wife was known to be afraid of burglars.

The practical joker made a noise like a burglar and the man of the house happened to be at home, promptly sent a load of shot in the direction of the noise. The practical joker retired to his home with a shattered shoulder. He then sued the housekeeper for assault with intent to kill, and the justice of peace promptly discharged the shooter.

Here is one case in which the practical joker received what he deserved, although the load of shot in his anatomy did not teach him good sense. He was lucky in escaping arrest on the charge of attempting to rob the house of his neighbor, a charge which might have been justified by the facts. Frightening other people is one of the funny tricks of the practical joker, and little sympathy is wasted on the fool who runs across a man who shoots first and then tries to find out afterward whether the practical joker was a real burglar or only an imitation thief.

A more frequent use of the shot gun or club would make practical joking rather uncommon.—Ex.

Dr. Nathan Schaffer, superintendent of public instruction, strikes a sound note when he states in his annual report that our public schools ought to be brought back to the purpose for which they were originally established. "Reading, writing, reckoning and accuracy in keeping in keeping accounts and in the addition of a column of figures," says that experienced educator, are among "the essentials in the education of the individual which should not be omitted in the course of study for the sake of solving later problems that have been added at our schools."

This movement to put the public schools of the state back to the realms of "readin, writen and rithmatic" throwing physics, French, pink paper pictures and the like to the dogs, is about the sanest agitation we have heard of for some time.

A boy or girl who can afford only a common school education needs to know common things and to know them well. In fact a good deal better than they are taught in the public schools today.

A Hobart College professor—who by the way, must be a graduate of the University of Chicago—declares that with the aid of radium a woman could retain all her freshness and beauty for one hundred years or more. If there are any women in this country who wish to live to be one hundred years old, carrying with them through the years their youthful bloom and freshness, they have only to buy a stock of radium and use it as directed by the professor. Of course there are plenty of women who would like to look beautiful so long as they live and to the radium preventative of decay will appeal.

The fact that radium is quoted on the market at this time at \$200 to \$300 an ounce will not, of course, deter women from following the Hobart college professor's advice, when a woman is assured that she can keep her beauty indefinitely she will not stop to inquire the cost of the dip into the fount of youth.

The trouble is that if the women hear of the new beautifier there will be such a rush for the radium that the stuff will advance in price to such an extent that only actresses and Pittsburg millionaires' wives will be able to provide themselves with a supply of the beautifier.

In the meantime the poor girl will be wise to cling to the usual beautifiers found in the drug stores.

The postmaster general has issued a notice to rural mail carriers that they are required to present a neat personal appearance; that the vehicle used by them must be suited to the service, kept in good order and presentable, and that the animals used in serving their routes must be fit to work and such as not to cast discredit upon the service. Laxity in these matters must be immediately reported by postmasters.

BERNICE ITEMS.

Allen Aude of Laquin spent Christmas with friends at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Connors of Philadelphia are spending their Christmas holidays with the formers parents Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Connors of Mildred.

Edward Manix spent Christmas with his family at Philadelphia.

Gordon Saxon of Philadelphia is visiting his mother Mrs. Joel Saxon of this place.

John O. Connors of Bourenport College Alleghany New York, spent his Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James J. Connors of Mildred.

Mr. and Mrs. Ridback of Wilkes-Barre are visiting the late's parents Mr. and Mrs. Helsman of this place.

John Harney, Robert Watson and Lewis Dieffenbach all of Mildred, were Scranton visitors last week.

Frank Ramsey of Sayre is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. James Ramsay of Mildred.

Albert Helsman of Scranton was visiting his parents at this place last week.

Mr. James J. Connors and C. E. Jackson entertained friends on Christmas night. All report a good time; but C. E. and he lost his rabbit foot.

For a town where the people circulated a petition to court to refuse a wholesale license last February court, it only took three wagon loads of beer to supply the demands last week. Not so bad for a dry town.

Some foreigners were arrested for breaking into a mans room and also insulting him they were ordered to pay five dollars a piece to the prosecutor and cost, and the prosecutor to furnish \$50.00 bail.

A happy New Year to the Editor and all the readers of the News Item.

NORDMONT.

On Saturday evening, December 28, a very pleasant surprise party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Little, in honor of their daughter Hazel's sixteenth birthday. The evening was spent in a very delightful manner in games and music. Mabel Hunter, Clara Bradley, Freddie Arms, Edith Lema and Laura Fiester, Veda Myers, Edna Reichard, Dollie Snider, Hazel and Vernia Little; Messrs Frank Botsford, Sheddie Hess, Frank Foust, Harrison Little, Minard peters, Lloyd Sperry, Ray Anders, Bert Snider, Robert Cook, Edward Robbins Brady Lease, Calvin Myers, Watson and Jason Little Mrs. Jane Sperry and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Little.

Miss Gertrude Perry has been very ill for the past three weeks but is somewhat improved at this writing.

Mrs. E. D. Smith spent Friday and Saturday of last week in Williamsport.

The Christmas entertainment held in the E. V. church was very largely attended.

Mrs. Mary Botsford spent Friday in Hughesville.

The chicken and oyster supper held the grange hall was well attended.

Charles Foust of this place spent Christmas with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Aron Foust at Hughesville.

Miss Alma Horn of Williamsport spent Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Horn.

Mrs. Claude Fritz is very ill at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Amos Foust.

The wise person always profits at the expense of others. A Michigan farmer who had become afraid of the banks drew his \$600 from the bank and deposited it in the bureau of his house. The next day the house burned down and the money was consumed. Another Michigan individual drew \$100 from the bank and carried it in his pocket. A few days later he accidentally dropped the "400" wad into the flume in a beet sugar factory where he was working.

It came out at the end of the flume converted into granulated sugar.

The banks from which they drew the money have all along and are today as strong as Gibraltar, ready to pay out every dollar on deposit.

The men are out just one thousand dollars.