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A woman of fashion without a black dress is impossible. also—to make a  
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Our new black dress goods include every desirable weave in the best quality—  
they can be depended upon. Furthermore our prices are economical—cannot be  
duplicated anywhere else.

## The Newest In Lace Waists

With hundreds of different styles being introduced by the makers it is a con-  
founding thought to know that there is one store in town where the best styles can  
be had—you need go no farther than this store to learn what waist styles will enjoy  
the greatest vogue this spring among the best dressed women.

## Ladies' Black Hosiery

Ladies' Seamless Fast Black Hose with  
double sole and heel. Special good value  
for 12½ cents.

Ladies' Fast Black Mercerized Lisle  
Hose, light and medium weights, splen-  
did quality, for 25 cents.

Ladies' Fast Black Cotton Hose, some  
have white foot or sole, for 25 cents.

Ladies' Silk Lisle Hose, fast black,  
light weight and gauze, all black or with  
white sole, for 35 cents.

Ladies' Silk Lisle Hose, in medium  
and light weight; these are cheap at  
50 cents

Ladies' Finer Black Lisle Hose, for  
75¢ and \$1.00.

## Laces and Trimmings

If you have use for laces of any kind, lace ornaments, lace edges or insertions  
would like you to look at the new collection of designs and widths of point venise  
laces—Point de Paris laces, German and French val laces 3-8. All over laces in  
white, cream and ecru, lace bands, embroidered nets.

Chiffon, appliques, Medallions, Persian band, fancy braids and various other  
new dress trimmings.

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### Report of County Superintendent.

The first column of figures for pu-  
pils enrolled, second column average  
attendance and third column aver-  
age per cent of attendance.

Forksboro Borough	31	31	91.5
Hills Grove Twp.	116	106	91.6
Dushore Borough	104	89	89.3
Shrewsbury Twp.	83	73	87.6
Eagles Mere Borough	45	38	87.5
Laporte Borough	33	27	86.0
Davidson Twp.	367	312	85.7
Forks Twp.	128	105	74.8
Colley Twp.	365	323	84.5
Laporte Twp.	126	99	83.3
Cherry Twp.	543	448	83.0
Fox Twp.	94	81	81.0
Elkland Twp.	180	140	77.3
Total	2219	1872	85.7

The following schools merit honor-  
able mention: Gahan, Donahoe,  
Cherry, Colley, Emmons, Dushore  
Ass't Prin., Dushore, Intermediate,  
Union, Mountain, Rock Run and  
Mt. Lewis.

The lowering of the attendance  
this month is largely attributable to  
several serious epidemics which  
have very seriously effected the  
attendance.

J. E. Killgore, County Superin-  
tendent.

Some business out of the ordinary  
was transacted at the regular weekly  
session of court on Monday morning,  
and brought fourth a display com-  
mendable ambition on the part of a  
young boy who desires to aid in sup-  
port of his widowed mother which  
will no doubt means the success of  
his future career.

Lloyd Sergen aged 14 years, resides  
in this place with his mother and  
sister, who are both employed, mak-  
ing every effort in keeping up the  
home and providing proper food  
and clothing. Lloyd is a good boy  
and has always been regular in his  
attendance at school and ambitious  
to learn. Having a desire to aid in  
the support of his mother and his  
sister would like to learn some good  
trade.

so that when growing into manhood  
he would be able to command good  
wages and contribute toward the  
living expenses of his home. Accord-  
ingly Attorney H. S. Knight pre-  
sented a petition to the court on  
Monday morning, asking that an  
order be made to have the boy ad-  
mitted to some school where he  
could realize his ambition and learn  
a trade. After hearing the case in de-  
tail, Judge Auten made a order of  
court which will admit Lloyd to the  
Williamsport Industria school,  
which is one of the best of its kind  
in this section of the state.

Such boys like Lloyd generally  
overcome all obstacles in the battle  
of life and become self made men  
and it is to be hoped that he will  
not prove to be an exception to the  
rule.—Sunbury Ameri.

### Forest Fires in Clinton County.

The presence of forests in Clin-  
ton county brings to the attention  
the fact that careless of those  
who visit the woods responsible  
for the destruction of many young  
trees. Persons who visit the woods  
are required to be very careful how  
they handle fires. Law punish-  
es those who start fires thought-  
lessly, and this law is being strictly  
enforced in this part of the state.  
Thousands of young growing  
trees are destroyed in spring and  
summer by fires set by fisher-  
men and others who do not take  
proper precautions to prevent forest  
fires.

The desire of the and nation-  
al governments to preserve the fore-  
sts should be respected by the citi-  
zens of the various parts of this  
state. It is just as to be careful  
in using fire in the woods as to be  
careless, and the boys who  
fail to realize this should be se-  
verely punished. Warden  
should be especially careful at this  
season of the year every forest  
fire should be promptly investi-  
gated in order to determine whether  
it has been started. E-  
ternal vigilance is required to pre-  
vent the wanton destruction of young  
trees in the woods.

### Fourth Annual Meeting of the Sullivan County School Directors' Association.

The Fourth Annual meeting of the  
Sullivan County School Directors  
Association will be held in the court  
house, Laporte, Wednesday and  
Thursday, April 15 and 16. Three  
sessions will be held as follows:

Wednesday afternoon, April 15,  
at 2 o'clock, Wednesday evening,  
April 15, at 8 o'clock, Thursday  
morning, April 16, at 9:30 o'clock.

Wednesday evening, Hon. Emer-  
son E. Collins of Williamsport will  
deliver a lecture. An interesting  
program covering important ques-  
tions which are now demanding  
attention and interestingly inter-  
persed with vocal and instrumental  
music has been arranged.

Directors who will not be induced  
into office until June 1 are invited  
to attend all sessions. Teachers,  
patrons, everybody, invited to at-  
tend.

Directors who attend both days will  
be entitled to receive two days' pay  
and mileage.

This promises to be the most in-  
structive and interesting meeting  
ever held in this county. Let us see  
if last year's attendance cannot be  
improved upon. Committee.

There is in this country a few  
short-sighted citizens who are worry-  
ing about the "enormous expense  
that will be incurred by the battle-  
ship fleet in the cruise around the  
world." Pity the ignorance of this  
benighted class! True; it will cost the  
United States government several  
million dollars to complete the itine-  
rary as now made out. The ships  
will consume thousands upon thou-  
sands of tons of coal and incur other  
expenses that are almost beyond esti-  
mate, but what of it? The direct re-  
sult will be to promote peace by im-  
pressing on the world the fact  
that the United States must be  
reckoned with and respected. The  
money outlay, therefore, must be  
considered as a direct saving rather  
than a waste.

Washington, March (Special)—  
The appalling loss of life in the coal  
mines of this country is to be stopped  
if the government of the United  
States can accomplish it. Congress  
has voted an appropriation of \$195,  
000 for the purpose of conducting in-  
vestigations to ascertain the cause of  
mine explosions, and once the cause  
is found, the means of preventing  
them is easy.

Senator Knox of Pennsylvania in-  
sisted that this investigation must  
not be confined to the territories as  
was first proposed, but that the  
government experts in seeking in-  
sult have an unlimited field. It  
was contended that the amendment  
of the Pennsylvania Senator was an  
invasion of state rights, but Mr.  
Knox denied this. He argued that  
the Federal government had a right  
to gather information anywhere it  
pleased. Said he:

"The loss of life and accidents in  
the United States far exceed those of  
any other country where the mining  
industry is being conducted. This  
proposed investigation is for the pur-  
pose of allowing the hundreds of  
thousands of men who toil in the  
darkness beneath the surface of the  
earth to get the benefit of all the pro-  
tection that all the knowledge  
gathered from all possible sources  
will furnish."

Senator Knox's proposition was a-  
dopted and the result will be a broad,  
thorough investigation by govern-  
ment experts that will bring about  
the adoption of safety methods in  
mining that will save thousands of  
lives and millions of property.

Fruit growing in the northwest is  
becoming interesting. The national  
apple show at Spokane offers \$1,000  
in gold for the best single apple. In  
addition \$14,000 is offered for the  
other products. Last year the apple  
crop of Washington brought \$10,000,  
000. This year it is expected to be  
from \$15,000,000, to \$20,000,000.  
This shows the remarkable develop-  
ment of the great northwest; great  
in almost every product, remarkably  
great in apples. Uncle Sam's do-  
main presents more varied oppor-  
tunities than any other region in the  
world.

President Roosevelt will have the  
support of the public in his de-  
termination to exclude from the  
mails—if the law gives the authority  
—an Anarchist paper published at  
Patterson, urging the use of dynamite  
and counseling the murder of  
United States soldiers.

It is a crime by statute and at the  
common law to incite to crime.  
Opinion is free. The right to free  
speech is protected by the Consti-  
tution and the laws in the United  
States and in every State.

But whatever the opinion, it cannot  
be supported by a plea for violence in  
its behalf. Congress has already pro-  
hibited the immigration of the  
Anarchist. The mails are closed  
by statute to frauds, to lottery tick-  
ets, to obscene publications and to  
articles. Any publication which  
urges violence, which counsels, as  
does this Patterson paper, murder  
and arson, should also be excluded  
and those who mail it should be  
liable to indictment.

As the Supreme Court held in the  
Delaware lottery cases, the United  
States if it assumes the exclusive  
right to conduct the post office and  
sends its mails into every com-  
munity, is bound to prevent the  
mail bags from being used for any  
criminal or immoral purpose. Every  
region has its unbalanced minds.  
Inflammatory publications breed crime  
among such by suggestion. Con-  
gress ought to see to it that the  
mails are not thus used. If no law  
excludes such a publication, a law  
should be passed giving the needed  
power.

It is reported that during the deer  
season a large number of does were  
killed and left lie in the woods.  
Hunters who shot them were afraid  
to remove the carcass on account of  
the law. They were unable to de-  
cide before shooting and after the  
deer was slain discovered it was a  
doe instead of a buck. One man  
who spent a week in the woods  
lately reports that he counted 10  
dead does during his week prospect-  
ing. This shows that there is a  
weak point in the law as it now ex-  
ists and the female deer is not pro-  
tected as intended.

Orders were issued last week by  
the Philadelphia and Reading coal  
company for the general resumption  
of work in all of its 35 collieries and  
ten washeries. The order gives steady  
employment to more than 5,000 men.  
It is to take effect on April 1.

The collieries and washeries have  
been operated on half time for the  
last two months. Nine of the colli-  
eries which were closed down entirely  
a few weeks ago are included in the  
general order. The company oper-  
ates 35 collieries in Schuylkill, Luz-  
erne, Carbon and Northumberland  
counties. The resumption order will  
affect all of these as soon as they can  
be placed in fit condition to start the  
work of mining.

Miss Marie Comtois, a Franciscan  
nun, was assigned by her superior to  
work among the lepers of Molokai,  
in the Hawaiian Islands, the scene of  
the famous Father Damien's labor.

Miss Comtois is 29 years old, and  
went to her home in Worcester  
Massachusetts to bid farewell to her  
parents, brothers and sisters before  
starting on her errand of mercy, from  
which she expects never to return.

All of the states and territories  
have at various times enacted laws  
regulating the employment of  
women and children, and during the  
past year no less than twenty-eight  
of them added to or modified their  
laws relating to this subject.

The Bureau of labor, of the De-  
partment of Commerce and labor,  
has just issued a bulletin giving in  
full the text of the laws that have  
been enacted up to the end of 1907  
for the purpose of regulating this  
character of employment. Another  
article presents the laws relating to  
factory inspection and the health and  
safety of employes

Factory inspection and the health  
and safety of employes have been  
the subject of legislative action in  
thirty-nine of the states and terri-  
tories. These include all those states  
in which manufacturing or mining  
employes are considerable number  
of persons, which is good evidence  
of the fact that the rights of those  
who labor are not being neglected or  
ignored in this country.

### HILLSGROVE ITEMS.

Mr. Michael Morris and Miss  
Grace Lewis, both of this place,  
were married last Saturday at  
Newberry. Their friends all join  
in wishing them a bright and hap-  
py life. The boys gave them an  
old fashioned serenade.

Reubin Featherbay who for the  
past eighteen years has lived at  
this place, has moved to Eldred-  
ville, where he has purchased Ber-  
ton Luther's farm. The best  
wishes of many friends go with  
them.

Mr. John Braumbeck is moving  
his family to Wallace Run where  
he has bought a farm. Good luck  
to him in his new home.

Mrs. Charles Haas, Mrs. Dr.  
Mervine, Mrs. John Speaker, and  
Miss Mary Green took dinner last  
Thursday at Camp No. 6. All re-  
port a good time. Mr. Fred Lew-  
is knows how to get up a No. 1  
dinner.

Harry and Oscar Snyder have  
moved into the tenant house on  
the Melvin Lewis farm.

### HEMLOCK GROVE ITEMS.

There will be services at the  
church next Sunday as follows: Sun-  
day school at 9:30, Preaching ser-  
vices at 10:30 A. M. All are invited  
to attend.

Daniel Phillips of Sonestown,  
recently purchased the farm owned  
by P. W. Opp about one mile from  
here. Robert Phillips of North  
Mountain will move his family to  
that place next week where he will  
have charge of the farm work for  
the coming season.

We appreciate the fact that Rev.  
S. B. Bidlack has returned to this  
charge making his fourth year here,  
this speaks well for the work done  
by him for the past three years.

Harvey Reece wishes to announce  
to the public that he is prepared to  
do auctioneering this season. He  
resides on the Swank farm at this  
place. All calls will be promptly  
attended to. Address him at Muncy  
Valley.

The school at this place closes  
Friday. Recitations and singing  
will be the feature of the afternoon  
work. An invitation is extended to  
parents and all to attend.

A. M. Phillips moved his family  
to Benton Columbia county where  
he recently purchased a large farm.  
Mr Phillips took with him the best  
wishes of his many friends.

The following young men left  
Monday for New York state where  
they have accepted positions: Harri-  
son Mastellar, Fred Arms and Paul  
Swank.

Harry Arms and William Bay  
transacted business at Sonestown  
Saturday.

What proved to be an educational  
as well as a sociable event occured  
at the home of William Bay on Fri-  
day evening where the pupils of the  
seventh and eighth grades met with  
their teachers and discussed some  
very important school work.

### Standard Oil Losses Heavy.

When the Standard Oil men fig-  
ured up actual and possible losses  
last January they found that in the  
calamitous year of 1907 they had  
dropped about a million dollars a  
day, writes H. N. Casson in the  
March Broadway. Here we have in  
a nut shell the reason why the oil  
trust is working its legal depart-  
ment up to the limit of nervous pro-  
stration, and why it is pouring out  
a flood of its oil-made gold in a Titan-  
ic effort of self-defense.

The legal tactics of the Standard  
oil trust were shown most clearly  
in both their naked strength and  
their naked weakness, in the recent  
trial before Judge K. M. Landis in  
Chicago. In this lawsuit, which clim-  
axed in the big fine, the Standard's  
thirty-year-old policy of security and  
evasion was put to the test. It was  
fully and fairly tried, and it failed.  
It was torn into shreds and tatters  
by a force of public opinion. And  
how this happened is one of the  
most dramatic chapters in the history  
of American lawsuits.