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There is a great demand and sale this season for medium priced Tailored Suits. We are making a specialty of this class of Suits and can show more styles than you would expect to see. While we show a good line of the medium price Suits we have some handsome gowns in the finer and more expensive grades.

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Are here. Our showing is the best in years—every piece was carefully selected from only the best of skins. New coats and fancy neck pieces with muffs to match in all kinds of furs that will be stylish this season.

KID GLOVES

Of course you will want new Kid Gloves to go with the new suit. We are showing an excellent line of Kid Gloves in a splendid range of colors. We have the Gloves to match your new gown. They are at the right price.

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Have you given them their share of attention? Is the Winter dress still unbought? Our assortment of plain and fancy mixed fabrics is now at the best. Of course you expect to find the prices right, so will say nothing about them.

CHILDREN'S COATS WASH FLANNELS

We have just received a new lot of Children's Winter Coats. They come in the plain red, tan etc. Some are neat and plain, others are trimmed.

Not the old-fashioned heavy weights, but medium fine woven fabrics in new designs and fancy colorings for house wear and waists for 40c a yard.

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Either white or colored, or fancy plaids, in all qualities. You cannot go wrong in buying your Winter supply here if you want the best qualities your money will buy.

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On the death of Lyman Harvey, whereas, Almighty God in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to call from earthly labors, Brother Lyman Harvey, and

Whereas, a sense of the great loss at his death prompts a proper expression of our sentiments. Therefore be it

Resolved, That our sympathies be extended to the bereaved family who have known the loss of a kind and noble father.

Resolved, that while we bow in humble submission to the will of the Most High, and believe our loss to be his gain, we nevertheless feel deeply his removal from our midst.

Resolved, That the Davidson Grange No. 1081, of Sullivan County, has lost a faithful member of Christian charity, a loyal supporter

Resolved, That our charter be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days and that copies of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of our grange and sent to the family of the deceased and to the county papers for publication.

Committee on Resolutions,

Mrs. Alvin Fulmer,
Alvin Fulmer,
S. B. Bidlack.

The Next Annual Meeting to Be Held at Altoona in December.

The next annual meeting of the Pennsylvania state grange will be held in Altoona in December. The full corps of officers will be elected for a term of two years. State Master Hill is working hard to make the membership of that state 100,000. In a recent address he said:

"Among the fraternal organizations there is none more potent than the grange. It came into existence forty-one years ago to fill a want. It continues to live and gain in strength and influence because it meets the social, educational, political and financial needs existing throughout the country today. Farmers in Pennsylvania rely upon the grange now as never before, and this nonpartisan, nonsectarian organization never hesitates to assume leadership for the betterment of farm conditions and the development of strong rural citizenship."

A correspondent writing of grange work in Pennsylvania says that the grange is making very satisfactory growth in that state. Since the last state grange meeting twenty-one new granges have been organized and six dormant ones reorganized and one Pomona organized. The initiations in the old granges are fully equal to any period during the year. He further said:

"We are a good deal worked up over the question of representation in the national grange, and no less so at the arbitrary way in which the national grange authorities dictate as to where the Order shall be planted and where not. That states which do not have as many granges in them all told as we have organized since the 1st of January shall go to the next national grange meeting and have as much to say as we shall as un-American and unfair. If the Order is to continue to grow in this state there must be justice done. If the strong states will stand together in the matter it can be done peaceably. The fact is it must be done, and the sooner those who stand in the way become convinced of that fact the better."

NEW YORK GRANGES.

Some Newsy Notes of the Work in the Empire State.

There are eight juvenile granges in the state. There should be more. Grange fairs are increasing in number every year in New York state.

Jefferson and Lewis county Pomonas have each established a scholarship in the Canton Agricultural school.

In the thirty-five subordinate granges of Oswego county the lecturer's office in twenty-seven is held by a woman.

At the "old home" celebration at Middletown, N. Y., Walkill grange won the first prize, \$50, for the best decorated float; Wawayanda the second, \$40; Goshen the third, \$30.

"In Old New England" is the title of a new comedy drama written by Harry M. Doty, formerly a member of the Chatham (N. Y.) grange, now editor of a live weekly in Connecticut. It has just been published by J. W. Darrow of Chatham, N. Y.

George P. Hampton of New York, who as a member of the grange did so much to bring about denatured alcohol legislation, is to have a large exhibit of appliances for using denatured alcohol at the meeting of the national grange in Washington in November.

Recently a man went through the town of Farmington, N. Y., selling Red Wave wheat for seed at \$5 a bushel, taking orders for about fifty bushels. At a meeting of Farmington grange it was brought out that the same wheat could be bought of a nearby dealer for \$1.75. Many farmers not members of the Order were victimized.

BERNICE ITEMS.

Dr. J. L. Brennin of Pittsburgh, Spent Thanksgiving with Mildred friends.

Morris Loverton, one of Mildred's hustling business men, was a Towanda visitor last Tuesday.

Daniel Schoonover spent Thanksgiving with Wilkes-Barre friends.

F. F. Schaad is under the care of Dr. Christian of Lopez for scarlet fever, and at the present writing is getting along as well as can be expected.

Mrs. H. W. Osler is under the Doctor's care for typhoid fever.

James J. Connor and Edward Molnix were Dushore visitors Sunday. Charles Watson son of C. B. Watson who has been confined to his room with diphtheria, is able to be around again.

James J. Connor was ejecting an unruly customer from his hotel on Thanksgiving when his finger was caught between the jaws of the customer. The result was that Land Lord Connor has part of a finger less to look after.

M. J. Clemmons is on the sick list. There is rumors of trying to make Bernice and Mildred into a Borough, but we think it is only a wind storm after the Fall election which will soon blow past.

Arrangements are being made by the local Republicans to observe the birthday of Abraham Lincoln—February 12, 1909—in a more elaborate manner than ever before. The people of the United States revere the memory of the great Emancipator, and without regard for their political affiliations the citizens of the republic feel that too much honor cannot be paid to the memory of this truly great man. Lincoln was a statesman of the highest type, and his career was one which shines brightly as an example to the American youth of today.

The approaching anniversary is one hundredth since the birth of Lincoln, and it is fitting that the celebration of the event should surpass in every way those which have gone before. The anniversary of Lincoln should be made a national holiday, in order that all American citizens may pay their respects to the man who dealt with problems affecting the fate of the nation with such ability and diplomacy that he won for himself a place in history equal to that occupied by Washington.—Gazette and Bulletin.

The bureau of statistics has just issued a pamphlet in which the fact is recorded that there are more divorces granted in the United States than in any other country in the world, with the exception of Hungary and Saxony. The figures should prove startling to the American people. That the divorce has grown to immense proportions in this country cannot be denied. That little if any effort is being made to relieve the situation is evident to those who observe passing events. In fact divorces are so easily procured in this country that it is a wonder that more dissatisfied married people do not take advantage of the opportunity to break the matrimonial bonds.

So long as children of immatura age are permitted to marry; so long as the courts grant divorce upon the slightest cause, and so long as society looks upon people who have been divorced as heroes and heroines, so long will the divorce evil exist. The scandalous condition in this country as the result of the legal separation of married persons is a stench in the nostrils, but nothing short of more strict laws regulating marriage and divorce will put an end to the disgusting state of affairs. If there were laws making it harder for thoughtless persons to enter the married state the divorce evil might eventually be wiped out.

More deer and bear were shot during the first week of season than the last owing to the fall of several inches of snow which made tracking possible. Many camping parties broke up after the snow had melted from the hills.

It is estimated that over 50 deer and 125 bear were killed in Lyeom county during the past season, which is the usual number of deer killed, but the number of bear slain is greatly in excess of last year.

Teachers' Annual Institute.

The Annual Session of the Sullivan County Teachers' Institute will be held in Kline's Opera House, Dushore, during the week beginning Monday Dec. 28.

The aim in arranging for the Institute has been to make the day sessions as helpful as possible to the teachers while more than usual effort has been made to make the evening sessions entertaining for all. The instructors engaged are: Dr. C. C. Ellis, Supt. W. W. Evans, Prof. M. E. Bennett and Rev. H. R. Wilkes. Dr. Ellis comes with us again upon the solicitation of a large number of our teachers; Supt. Evans will discuss the course of study; Prof. Bennett, Supervisor of Penmanship and Art of the Bradock schools, will discuss the penmanship problem in the public schools. Rev. Wilkes will have charge of the music.

For the evenings: Dr. Ellis lectures Monday Evening upon the subject, "The Legend of the Topaz, or The Grace of Gratitude." Any remarks or prophecies are superfluous so far as Dr. Ellis is concerned. There is only one Dr. Ellis and he is our Dr. Ellis. Tuesday Evening the Dorothy Lind Concert, Wednesday Evening, The Boston Entertainment Party, and Thursday Evening, the Commonwealth Ladies Orchestra. These are the evening numbers an aggregation never before equaled in the history of Sullivan County Institutes.

All schools must be closed during the week of Institute and patrons, pupils, and directors are cordially invited to attend all the sessions.

J. E. Reese Killgore, Co. Supt.

The following is the County Superintendent's report of the attendance in the public schools of Sullivan county for the second month.

Laporte borough, enrollment 50; average attendance 46; per cent of attendance 93.6.

Elkland township, enrollment 228, average 206, per cent 92.8

Dushore borough, enrollment 120, average 107, per cent 92.6.

Forks township, enrollment 134, average 119, per cent 92.1

Forksville borough, enrollment 27, average 25, per cent 92.0

Hillsgrove township, enrollment 117, average 107, per cent 91.5

Colley township, enrollment 434, average 388, per cent 91.4.

Laporte township enrollment 147, average 128, per cent 91.4.

Cherry township, enrollment 533, average 481, per cent 91.1.

Fox township, enrollment 141, average 125, per cent 90.6

Davidson township, enrollment 384, average 337, per cent 90.6

Eagles Mere borough, enrollment 52, average 48, percent 90.3.

Shrewsbury township, enrollment 105, average 85, per cent 88.

Totals—enrollment 2,471; average attendance, 2,201; percentage of attendance, 91.4.

Average percent of attendance for term, 91.7.

Rank 1. Jamison City; teacher Mrs. Fritz; per cent of attendance 99.5.

Rank 2. Elkland High, M. R. Black, 98.3.

Rank 3. Laporte High, C. O. Bird, 98.1.

Rank 4. Thomas Run, Maud Hunsinger, 97.3.

Rank 5. Barth, Hilda Weisbrod, 96.9.

Rank 6. Colley High, H. R. Henning, 96.5.

Rank 7. Ringdale, Florence Walsh, 96.2.

Rank 8. Forksville High H. W. 96.0. Dushore Intermediate, Viola Deegan, 96.0.

Rank 9. Ricketts Grammar, Myrtle Kintner, 95.5.

Rank 10. Hollocher, Eugene Minier, 95.0. Center (Elkland), Emma Wank, 95.0. Davidson High, J. R. Molyneux, 95.0. Sugar Hill, Julia Burns, 95.0. Lincoln Falls, Franc Pardoe, 95.0. Estelia, Olive Plotts, 95.0. Ricketts Primary, Edna Miller, 95.0.

Rank 11. Sheets, Mabel Speary, 94.5. Fox High, D. M. Sopher, 94.5.

Rank 12. Dushore High, W. D.

Hinman, 94.0. South, (Fox), Orpha Mckay, 94.0.

Rank 13. Kelly, Raymond Kschinka, 93.7.

Rank 14. Bernice Grammar, Margaret Boland, 93.6. Murry, Sadie Walsh, 93.6.

Rank 15. Church, (Elkland), Gertrude Barret, 93.5. Pleasant Valley, Gertrude Scanlin, 93.5. Harrington, Agnes Walsh, 93.5. Lopez Intermediate, Mary B. Finan, 93.5.

Rank 16. Fulmer, Florence Whalen, 93.0. Black Water Run, Maud McCarty, 93.0.

Other schools having an average over 90 per cent: Black Creek, King, Hillsgrove Gram., Donaho, Sonestown Primary, Campbellville, Union, Quinn, Hillsgrove High, Woodside, Eagles Mere Primary, Lemmer, Sugar Point, Ringer Hill, Lopez Primary, Bachman, Lake Run, Sugar Hill Primary, West Hill, Dushore High, Green Mountain, Glidewell, Bridge View, Nordmont, North, Lopez Gram., Center (Fox).

The attendance has been highly encouraging and is an evidence of a healthful interest in school work.

J. E. Reese Killgore,
County Supt.

The Philadelphia Record editorially says of the State road project: Governor Stewart's announced intention to recommend the expenditure of \$6,000,000 for the construction of a state highway between Philadelphia and Pittsburgh will meet with undoubted favor of inhabitants of counties through which the projected road would run. It would be of great advantage and no doubt lead to the construction of many interesting branch lines of improved roadway. The project would also be hailed with enthusiasm by the friends of good roads who are also devotees of motor movement. Such a road would be a grand stretch through a grand country for pleasuring. Along the zone of the road no doubt there would be only favorable opinion. Questions however will arise. If the state spends money belonging to all its taxpayers for an east-and-west highway, why not for a north-and-south highway also? Would so much money be as well invested as similar amount spent for the building roads to which counties and townships should contribute part of the cost of construction? Such consideration will have weight with the legislature as well as questions that will surely arise of methods of construction and of provisions of maintainans. There is much to be said for and against, besides the always present consideration of expediency. Having six million surplus in the treasury, how can it be spent to the greatest advantage of the people who have paid it?

Silver sold this week at the lowest price in more than five years. It was only a fraction over 49 cents an ounce. One immediate result of this cheapness of the white metal is to curtail the mining of it. At the present rate of output it seems hardly likely that the United States will this year produce \$30,000,000 worth of silver. Gold furnishes an astonishing contrast to this exhibition. More of the yellow metal will come from the earth than ever before. Immense gains in the production of gold have been made in South Africa and that region now leads all others by a big margin. Economists in every land are wondering what the ultimate result will be upon the price of commodities generally from the out pouring of over \$400,000,000 of gold in a twelvemonth. That it has already had a marked effect in enhancing values cannot be denied. That it will have a tendency to continue doing so seems certain. The world is gold-rich and silver-poor, but while the former condition is a matter for gratification the latter does not seem to be causing much alarm except among the owners of silver mines.

About one hundred does were killed during the hunting season in this state, but up to date not one hunter has been prosecuted for this violation of the game laws.