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An independent local paper, published every Wednesday at Reynoldsville, Va., devoted to the interests of Reynoldsville and Jefferson county. Non-political, will treat all with fairness, and will be especially friendly towards the laboring class.

The Pennsylvania legislature convenes on Monday, the 4th day of next month.

Do not find fault. You can always look around you and see some fellow being that would be thankful if he were in your place.

It has been judicially decided in the State of Indiana that sleeping car companies are responsible for any baggage lost by the porter's dishonesty or carelessness.

Newton Mix, of Mix Run, who was sentenced to the penitentiary by the Cameron county court last year for shooting Robt. Clark, has been pardoned and is at his home.

The talk of building an electric road between Puxsuttawney and Indiana has been revived. This time it is the General Electric Company of New York and Chicago that is making an investigation of the advisability of such a road.

Congress convenes this month. This is the old Congress. It will be in session until March 4th, 1897, and on that day it ceases to exist. The new Congress will not convene until December, 1897, unless the President calls them into extra session.

The editor of the Penfield Press thinks that Thanksgiving Day should be in October, and gives the following reasons for thinking so: "November is the bleakest, blackest, sorriest, saddest, bluest, muddiest, rainiest, dismalst month of the twelve." That may be applicable to some other November, but it don't hit November of 1896.

The Ladies' Home Journal for December gives the following pointers on the study of the hands: "Palmsists say that long fingers are the sign of refinement. A short, stubby hand argues a lack of sensibility; a thin thumb, rather small, denotes weakness. Strength of character is shown by the thumb asserting itself over the other fingers. If the thumb curves backward its owner is obstinate."

An "old subscriber" wants to know the origin of the word "dude." It is from a Gypsy word, meaning clothes. The word, or a corruption of it, is frequently used in the United States, many persons referring to their clothes as "duds." It is also common in Scotland. A "dude" is one who is practically clothes.—Puxsuttawney Spirit. If we are to understand the above definition to mean clothes and no brains, then we feel safe in saying Reynoldsville has a few "dudes."

The melancholy days are here, the saddest of our time; the chilly blasts begin to blow from far off northern clime. The wood saw sings, the coal bin groans the tree doth moan with sorrow; the sun shines bright and warm to-day, might snow like blazes to-morrow. We gladly think of times to come when we shall swiftly soar, through mistic pie skies and night-mare drives and stomach-aches galore. Subscribers who are two years back, should to the sanctum roll and soften times which sorely try the editorial soul.

Perhaps the meanest man in the world is the fellow who pretends to your face that he is your friend, while when your back is turned he is your most bitter enemy. A man who wishes you well to your face and antagonizes you and does you all the harm possible when your back is turned, is the vilest serpent that creeps upon the earth and you should press your heel down upon his head at the first opportunity. To the detriment of the human race, such people exist, and they are to be found in every community.—Falls Creek Herald. You are right, Charley. We have them in Reynoldsville.

Clearfield county is large enough and wicked enough to have a large and substantial jail, but according to notices appearing in the Clearfield papers the jail is in a very dilapidated condition. In fact the sheriff and his family and the inmates of the jail risk their lives by staying in the old thing. We don't know how many prisoners there are in the jail, but we should judge that if murder and other high crimes are committed in other portions of the county as they are in DuBois, and the criminals make good their escape, that there is little use for a county jail only for keeping people in for trivial offenses, who have no desire to escape. This being the case why not rent a good sized house and allow the sheriff to move into it and keep his prisoners where their lives would not be daily endangered.

Our Educational Column.

"Dads William," Editor. Address all communications relative to this department to Editor Educational Column, care of THE STAR.

"ADAM NEVER WAS A BOY." "Of all the men the world has seen since time his round began, There's one I pity every day, Earth's first and foremost man; And then I think what fun he missed By falling to enjoy The wild delights of youthtime, for He never was a boy. "He never stubbed his naked toe Against a root or stone; He never with a pin-hook fished Along the brook alone; He never sought the humble bee Among the daisies coy, Nor monkeyed with his business end,— He never was a boy. "He never hooked his nose tied The ever ready rail, Down in the alley all alone To trusting folks to fall; And, when he home from swimming came, His happiness to clay No slipper interfered, because He never was a boy. "He might refer to splendid times Among Eden's bowers, and yet He never acted Romeo To a five-year Juliet; He never sent a valentine Intended to annoy A girl, but maiden aunt, because He never was a boy. "He never cut a kite-string, no, Nor hid an Easter egg, He never tore his Sunday pants While playing mumbly-peg; He never from the attic stole A coon hunt to enjoy, To find the old man watching, for He never was a boy. "I pity him, why should I not? I never drop a tear, He did not know how much he missed, He never will, I fear; And when the scenes of 'other days' My growing mind employ, I think of him, earth's only man, Who never was a boy."

Well, boys and girls, here we are again after a week's recreation; back home again and all gathered together within the walls of our school building, ready, we hope, for active work after your rest. We are now started on our fourth month and are nearing the middle of our term and as Noah said to the camel who was slow in getting into the ark, we must "hump" ourselves. You rested a week while your teachers were at school, for this is what an institute really is. A school for teachers, where they assemble from day to day and listen to the teaching of able instructors and educators who are employed by our county superintendent, and after spending a week thus they return to their several school rooms better prepared to impart instruction to you, my numerous nephews and nieces of Jefferson county, that is, if they have been good pupils and listened attentively to the instructors as they talked from day to day. We will talk to you a little regarding teachers' institutes. The object as already stated, is to impart instruction to the teachers and discuss plans for advancing the best interests of the schools and getting the views of the most successful teachers in order that all difficulties in the way of teaching may be obviated and that you may reap the advantage by receiving better instruction, for it is your instructor, boys and girls, that the true teacher has at heart, and it is for you that the true teacher sits up night after night and burns the midnight oil studying out plans to better impart instruction to you. Do you ever think of this boys and girls? We trust you do and appreciate all the efforts in your behalf. If you could attend an institute you would be astonished, for upon entering the old, dingy court house you would see—

Teachers to left of you Teachers in front of you Nearly three hundred. And all dressed in their best and so many of them ladies, a conglomerated mass of gushing pedagogical sweetness all done up in ribbons, bangs and furbelows, and the heart of the susceptible pedagogue, who is teaching his first term and struggling to raise his first mastaeb, flops up and down like a churn dasher as he mingles among them, yet as a rule the teachers are sociable and the superintendent tries to have each one become acquainted with every body else so that sociability and instruction go hand in hand at our county institutes. We hope next year to have the institute held here in Reynoldsville when you will have an opportunity of seeing the workings of it, and if we are real good we think that Superintendent Teltrick will decide to hold it here as we have convinced him that our town is big, our halls ample and our people hospitable and united in asking him to come to visit us next year and bring his institute along with him and we will take the best care of him and the three hundred big boys and girls he has under his charge in the county. But we will stop now and give you time to figure over your last month's reports and devise your plans as to how you can make them better this month, for your next review will be a scorecher, a general one, so make it a point to be ready for it, and don't allow yourself to be caught napping when examination day comes round.

SCHOOL NOTES. Cornie Deible, of room 13, gave a party to a number of her young friends last week. E. W. J. Ham's lecture on the "Snollygoster in Politics" will take place on Friday evening, Dec. 11th. Local institutes will be held throughout the county during the winter.

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE. Report for month ending November 20th, 1896:

Table with columns: Room, Name, Attendance, Percentage. Includes Principal's Report and Total.

Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption.

This is the best medicine in the world for all forms of Coughs and Colds and for consumption. Every bottle is guaranteed. It will cure and not disappoint. It has no equal for Whooping Cough, Asthma, Hay Fever, Pneumonia, Bronchitis, LaGrippe, Cold in the Head and for Consumption. It is safe for all ages, pleasant to take and, above all, a sure cure. It is always well to take Dr. King's New Life Pills in connection with Dr. King's New Discovery, as they regulate and tone the stomach and bowels. We guarantee perfect satisfaction or return money. Free trial bottles at H. Alex. Stoke's drug store. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00.

Prof. Barrett, of St. Lawrence county, N. Y., speaking of pulmonary diseases, says: not one death occurs now where twenty died before Down's Elixir was known. Over fifty years of constant success places Down's Elixir at the head of the long list of cough remedies. For sale by H. Alex. Stoke.

Hot foot wear at Robinson's. Misses short jackets at Deemers. Buy your holiday hats at low prices at the People's Bargain store. Gloves that fit the hand at prices that fit the pocket-book at Millirens. The price of flour has gone up, but the price of supplies remains the same at the Bon Ton Bakery.

Watches—we have the latest in all sizes and styles, and a large line to select from at all prices. ED. GOODER.

\$5.00 buys a fine all-wool suit at Bell's. Wagon castor oil 15c. pint at Stoke's. Pennsylvania Railroad to Issue Clerical Orders.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company announces that for 1897 it will issue orders to regularly ordained clergymen in charge of churches located on or near its lines east of Pittsburg and Erie. To secure these orders clergymen should make application to the nearest ticket agent as soon as possible, as it is desired that all applications reach the General Office by December 15.

Save money on shoes of all kinds at Robinson's. See Millirens \$7.00 overcoats they are worth \$10.00. Over a hundred wraps to select from at Deemers.

\$1.00 for a fine fleeced wool suit of underwear at Bell's. Full line of new crop dried fruits at Robinson & Mundorf's.

Examine your \$10 and \$20 bills closely. It is said that \$1 and \$2 bills are being "raised" by pasting the necessary 0. Not having seen any bills of this denomination recently, the swindle of course does not effect us, but the fact is published to put delinquent subscribers on their guard.—Clearfield Republican.

The reason why Arnica & Oil Liment is so popular with the ladies is because it not only is very healing and soothing but its odor is not at all offensive. For sale by H. Alex. Stoke.

Now is the time to select your Christmas presents while the stock is complete. Our new goods are coming in daily. ED. GOODER, Jeweler and Optician.

Don't suffer with indigestion, use Baxter's Mandrake Bitters. For sale by H. Alex. Stoke.

Leave Your Orders. I am now prepared to furnish coal to all parties in need of the same. Orders left with J. N. McEntire, at Deemer & Co.'s grocery, will receive prompt attention. G. W. ROLLER, JR.

For Sale. Draft team weighing 1500, also sleighs for sale. J. C. KING & Co.

No southern orator and humorist has ever gained such a reputation as Hon. H. W. J. Ham, of Georgia. His record is phenomenal. There is not a man on the American continent who can crowd more humor, pathos and eloquence into an hour and a half than the famous "Snollygoster" Ham.—Spartanburg (S. C.) Herald.

Wear Robinson's shoes for comfort. Deemer's shoes wear well.

Lowest prices possible on shoes at Robinson's. People who are wise buy their clothing, hats and shoes at Millirens.

Get your tickets early for Col. Ham's lecture. Admission, 35c, and 50c. Tickets for the three remaining lectures in the course \$1.00.

At King & Co.'s you will find baled hay, salt, flour and a full line of general merchandise. The best silver polish in the world at Gonder's.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Estate of Walter Spry, late of Reynoldsville Borough, deceased. Notice is hereby given that letters of administration have been granted to the undersigned on the above estate, therefore all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them duly authenticated for payment without delay. J. W. FIDLER, Administrator. Reynoldsville, Pa., Nov. 21, 1896.

First National Bank OF REYNOLDSVILLE.

CAPITAL \$50,000.00. C. Mitchell, President; Scott McClelland, Vice Pres.; John H. Kaucher, Cashier. Directors: C. Mitchell, Scott McClelland, J. C. King, John H. Corbett, G. E. Brown, G. W. Fuller, J. H. Kaucher.

Does a general banking business and solicits the accounts of merchants, professional men, farmers, mechanics, miners, lumbermen and others, promising the most careful attention to the business of all persons. Safe Deposit Boxes for rent. First National Bank building, Nolan block Fire Proof Vault.

M. W. McDONALD, FIRE, LIFE and ACCIDENT Insurance.

I have a large line of Companies and am prepared to handle large or small lines of insurance. Prompt attention given to any business intrusted to my care. Office in Nolan Block, Reynoldsville, Pa.

I have bought the Finest and Best line of Goods ever brought to Reynoldsville. A line of novelty goods from 10 to 50 cents a yard; dress goods in all colors and at all prices; plaids from 8 to 75 cts a yard; Shepherd plaid from 12 1/2 to 75 cts; cashmeres in all colors and at prices to suit the times; forty-five inch Henrietta in black, blue, green and rose at 48 cts a yard; former price \$1.00. A large line in wash goods; Dimity, Percal, Gesmonda and Moire Esistal, Dotted Swiss in white, blue and pink at prices lower than ever; white goods at all prices; satines in plain, striped and figures. Large line of embroideries from 2 cts up to 75 cts a yard. Ladies' waists from 48 cts to \$1.25.

CLOTHING. You will save money by buying your clothing at Hanau's. Men's all wool cheviot suits at 6.50, worth 10.00; men's all wool cheviot suits at 5.00; men's clay suits from 6.50 to \$14; youth's suits in cheviots, worsteds and clay, all colors, at all prices. Boys' and children's suits from 75c up to 5.00. A large line of laundered shirts, white and colored, from 50c to 1.25. A fine line in neckwear, hats and caps. Please call in before buying elsewhere. No trouble to show goods.

N. Hanau.

Neat Work Done on Short Notice!

Job Work Department THE Star Office Is replete with the Latest Styles of Types.

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Stoke's Advertising Space.



There are moments

when you wish to be alone, for instance when a feminine heavyweight treads gently, but firmly, upon your pet corn. Possibly you say it, but you say it under your breath, and that don't relieve you a bit.

Speaking of corns, why do you keep them? A box of our SURE CURE will take them out by the roots without giving you a particle of pain.

STOKE, RELIABLE PHARMACIST.

Bing & Co.

Just received from the Eastern Cities one of the Finest and Largest Assortments of Dress Goods ever brought to the city. They are beauties and the latest style.

Black Dress Goods. Forty pieces to select from. You will find them very handsome and at prices to suit all. Ladies' Misses and Children's Jackets and Capes. Do not fail to see them.

BING & CO.

A flash of lightning coming from a clear sky

is a very rare occurrence, but one day last week a lady and gentleman received a welcome shock. Yes, they had gone to the Reynoldsville Hardware Co. to buy

Carpets, Furniture and General Hardware

and the great values shown them caused a noticeable expression of joy and gladness to shine upon their faces. They purchased a complete furnishing for their home and departed, saying:

"The immense stock, at such low prices! We'll call again." REYNOLDSVILLE HARDWARE CO.

LOOK AT THIS!

Golden Sheaf Flour, \$1.15 per sk. " " " 4.40 " " bl. Superlative " " 1.15 " " sk. " " " 4.40 " " bl. Perfection Flour, 1.10 " " sk. " " " 4.20 " " bl.

This Flour is guaranteed to be the finest in the market.

Yours Resp'y, MEEKER BROS.