

Parents and Teachers

Should observe, and if children at home or at school complain of their



send them to C. F. Hoffman, the Optician, and have their eyes examined and see if they need glasses.

I have just added some new and valuable instruments for making scientific examinations, which will be made free.

Hoffman, Graduate Optician.



Your Figure

Is your peculiarity, and peculiarities must be recognized. We study the figures of our customers and we fit them with absolute exactness.

only clothiers

in the town, and what is more, our goods are not made in sweat shops, but are all hand made, button holes are hand made, and there is nothing the matter with the following prices:

Suits or Overcoats for \$4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00 and up to \$15.00.

Boys' Suits from \$3.00, to 10.00. Child's Suits for \$1.00 to 5.00. Mothers, see the fine line of Reefers for your boys.

BELL, the Clothier.

A Little of Everything.

"A chief's among ye taking notes, And faith he'll print 'em."

Eat Bon Ton pies.

See Bell's \$2.00 overcoats.

Ammunition and guns at Riston's.

See report of the First National bank in this issue.

Extra good \$2.00 work shoes at J. E. Welsh & Co's.

Riston's is the place to go for guns and ammunition.

A big line of new fall derbies just received at Millirens.

To save money and get the latest in shoes buy at Johnston's.

For neat fitting suit go to Snyder & Johns, fashionable tailors.

School shoes for boys that Kant B. Ripped. Robinson's have them.

Don't fail to attend the entertainment in the opera house Friday evening.

For fine furniture at reasonable prices go to J. H. Hughes' new furniture store.

Prof. W. J. Weaver is now papa. A son arrived at his home last Thursday.

G. C. Deemer brought some very large peaches to THE STAR office yesterday.

If you want good shoes cheap go to J. E. Welsh & Co.'s shoe store in the Wm. Foster block.

Everybody eats Bon Ton doughnuts because they say they are like mother used to make.

Saturday was pay day at the mines. The pay was small this time. The next pay will be a good one.

See the program in another column of this issue for the entertainment in the opera house next Friday evening.

Reserved seat tickets for the entertainment in the opera house Friday night are on sale at Stoke's drug store.

Fourteen Daughters of Rebekah took lunch with them and drove to Rathmel Thursday and spent the afternoon with Mrs. L. G. Lidle.

John B. McClure, of Hancock, son of A. T. McClure of the Reynoldsville Hardware Co., fell off an apple tree one day last week and broke his left forearm.

The squirrel season opens Friday. Go to Riston's for guns and ammunition.

The Crescent Literary Club of room No. 13 held a social in the Grand Army hall last night.

John W. Fink is in Phillipsburg this week attending the reunion of 110th Regiment.

Arrangements are being made for a game of football to be played at this place Friday afternoon between DuBois and Reynoldsville teams.

Prof. G. W. Lenkerd, principal of our schools, had his botany class out for field work last week. A number of fine specimens were secured by the class.

Mike Kallfelc, a business man of Rathmel, and Miss Ella Hutch, of Paradise, were married last Wednesday. Mike's friends had been anticipating such an event.

The Summerville Telephone Company is now locating a line between Brookville and Reynoldsville. The required stock has been raised here and the new telephone line is a sure thing.

The book reception in the Baptist church Friday evening was a success. Fifty-nine books were given for the library and some cash was paid in to buy books with. An excellent program was given.

The lumber is on the ground for the derrick and some of the machinery has arrived for putting down the test gas well by the Reynoldsville Oil and Gas Company. The rig builders came to town yesterday.

Hon. H. W. J. Ham, the southern orator and humorist, will deliver the first number of the public school lecture course in Assembly Hall on Friday evening, October 29th. Subject, "Old Times in Dixie."

A special train off the B. R. & P. R'y was run to Big Soldier last Friday with some of the officials and a number of ladies on board. They spent a couple of hours in Big Soldier mine and then started homeward bound.

James K. Johnston, the shoe merchant, narrowly escaped losing his left eye last week by falling on the sharp end of a screw driver. The cut had to be stitched up and Mr. Johnston had a black eye for several days.

Myrtle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Cooper, of West Reynoldsville, died Friday morning with diphtheria. Myrtle was four years, four months and eight days old. Interment took place in the Reynoldsville Cemetery Saturday afternoon.

A. A. Swab, of Falls Creek, who was engaged in the grocery business at this place several years ago, was injured one day last week by falling off an abutment of a new bridge on the B. R. & P. short line between Falls Creek and Lanes Mills. Mr. Swab had one leg broken and was otherwise injured.

Thomas Green and John C. Conser, proprietors of Hotel Imperial, presented the 105th—"Wild Cat"—Regiment with a stuffed wild cat last week. Squire Blase, of Big Run, was in Reynoldsville and took the wild cat to Big Run with him, where it will be conspicuous at the reunion of the 105th at Big Run tomorrow.

T. H. Armagost, of this place, and Miss Jessie Leech, of Brookville, were married at the home of the bride's parents by Rev. S. M. Gordon, M. E. pastor at Brookville, on Wednesday, Oct. 6th. The calthumpians serenaded Mr. and Mrs. Armagost at the home of the groom's parents, on Jackson street, Thursday evening.

It was stated in THE STAR last week that Lester Murphy had confessed to horse stealing and that he had "squealed" on some of his partners in crime, and that Sheriff Burns was after the gang. The sheriff caught five, making a total of seven of the gang that have been captured. Murphy is in jail at Brookville, and another one is jailed at Tionesta and five gave bail for their appearance at the December term of Jefferson county court. There are other members of the gang that Sheriff Burns is still after.

The Pittsburg Post run a special train from Red Bank to DuBois and return Sunday to distribute copies of the Sunday Post to readers along the route. The papers were hauled to Red Bank on the regular Sunday train over the main line and engine No. 3 and a special car were waiting at Red Bank to carry the news up into this section. As the time of the arrival of the train had been announced along the line crowds of people were at every station to see the Post's special arrive. The enterprise of the Post seemed to be appreciated.

District Deputy Grand Master Peter Cowan, of Brookville, was in Reynoldsville last Tuesday night and installed the following officers in Encampment No. 292, I. O. O. F.: Chief Patriarch, Thomas E. Evans; High Priest, Josiah Deeter; Senior Warden, A. H. Hoon; Junior Warden, William Anderson; Treasurer, F. F. Schurig; Inside Sentinel, Thomas Davidson; Outside Sentinel, Alex Watson; First and Second Watches, Philip Loos and J. C. Froehlich. After the installation ceremonies oysters were served in the vacant store room in the Reynolds block.

Went to Salamanca.

Harry Copping and Miss Susie Whitaker went to Salamanca, N. Y., yesterday afternoon to get married.

Big Cabbage.

John O'Connors, who farmed George Mellinger's land above "poverty flat," brought a head of cabbage into town Saturday that weighed 27 1/2 pounds.

Post Graduate.

Dr. J. B. Neale went to Philadelphia Monday night to take a post graduate in the Jefferson Medical College. He will be absent a few months. Dr. Harry King will have charge of Dr. Neale's office during his absence.

The Cannon Arrived.

The two large cannons from the League Island Navy Yard arrived in Reynoldsville Friday and were hauled to the school grounds where they will be mounted. The cannons are large and when painted and mounted will ornament the school grounds.

Seats for Lecture Course.

Seats for the public school lecture course may be reserved at Stoke's drug store from eight o'clock Monday morning, October 25th, to seven o'clock Friday evening, October 29th. Season tickets, reserved seats, \$1.00; pupils season tickets, 50 cents; single admission, 50 cents.

Foot Almost Cut Off.

Pilgrim Smith, who resides near the old Swartz mill, met with an accident while working in the woods Friday which nearly resulted in losing half of his right foot. He was chopping and the axe slipped and struck his foot. The little toe was cut off entirely and the others were hanging on by a little skin.

Cut Six Bee Trees.

F. P. Elder, of Hancock, Ed Lewis, of this place, James A. Cathers and Samuel Eye, of Winslow township, were over on Mosquito creek, Elk county, last week after bee trees. They cut six trees and got about five hundred pounds of honey. One tree contained almost three hundred pounds of honey. The bee hunters were not well equipped for fighting bees, but they got along very well until they cut the big tree and then the bees gave them a red-hot reception with their little stingers. Mr. Elder will please accept our thanks for the honey sent to us.

Too Much Money in Treasury.

A few months ago nine young misses of this place organized what they were pleased to call the J. F. F. Club. The members are Frankie King, Elva Coleman, Bertha Marshall, Kate King, Kate Nolan, Nellie Robinson, Amelia Morrow, Lois Robinson and Lydia Mellinger. The dues are two cents per week. There was too much money in the treasury for the girls to feel comfortable over so they hired a two-horse turnout Saturday and hied away to a chestnut ridge in the Horn Settlement for a two-fold purpose, to get chestnuts and reduce the surplus in their treasury.

Gross—Brown.

Rev. L. Gross, a Methodist Episcopal minister of Deepwater, W. Va., and Miss Ella G. Brown, who made her home with her sister, Mrs. A. W. Mulholland at Rathmel, were married at 8.30 p. m., Wednesday, Oct. 6th, by Dr. James Conway, pastor of the Brookville Presbyterian church. Dr. A. Hoffman and wife, of Brookville, stood up with the contracting parties. After the wedding ceremonies and congratulations an excellent supper was served. The Rathmel brass band serenaded the wedding party. Rev. Gross and bride left on the 1.35 P. M. westbound train Thursday for their home in the southland.

Raised to Their Stumps.

At the regular council fire in the wigwag of the Mazomania Tribe, No. 341, Improved Order of Red Men, of Reynoldsville, on the evening of October 1st, the following chiefs were raised to their stumps for a specified term: Prophet, George Schetz; Sachem, John Collins; S. S., D. M. Fulmer; J. S., I. C. Johnston; C. of R., Robert Barker; K. of W., Thomas Claubaugh. Appointed: 1st San., M. Sample; 2nd San., Fred Miller; G. of W., Clint Miller; G. of F., James Tovey; 1st W., Elmer Saxton; 2nd D. W., George Pettigrew; 3rd D. W., Peter Miller; 4th W., C. W. Pettigrew.

Choked to Death on Coffee Grain.

Sunday evening Ella, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Flenner, of Rathmel, choked to death on a grain of coffee. She had the coffee in her mouth while playing and she laughed and the grain ran into her windpipe. The parents worked with the child a few minutes and then called a doctor, but in twenty minutes the child was dead. Ella, who was two years and two months old, grabbed her little hand full of coffee when her mamma was getting supper, but all the coffee, excepting one or two grains, was taken from her.

Funeral services were held in the M. E. church at Rathmel yesterday afternoon, conducted by Rev. O. H. Sibley, and the interment took place in Prospect cemetery.

Strongest Power on Earth.

Rev. Dr. Talmage says: "No power on earth is so strong to build up a town as a newspaper well patronized, and its power should be appreciated."

The above statement is a fact which no one can successfully gainsay. The newspapers are not as fully appreciated in every town as they should be. We have men in Reynoldsville who seldom, if ever, advertise in the town papers or give them any work to do, and yet these same men will pay exorbitant prices to some advertising fakir who wants to frame a card and hang it up in a hotel or barbershop, or has some other advertising scheme. These schemes are quick money makers for the man who has the scheme, and he also carries the money out of town, but they are little, or no, benefit to the advertiser. We trust the men who have been in the habit of patronizing every fakir that drops into town will give this matter due consideration. If the money that is given to these fakirs was spent in advertising in home newspapers it would bring in a hundredfold better results for the advertiser. We are not kicking, but we don't believe the business men of Reynoldsville who patronize these fakirs have given the matter consideration. Don't be hoodwinked any longer. Figure up what amount you usually give to these traveling advertising fakirs yearly and then spend that much at least in a town paper and see if the results are not much more satisfactory. This will be showing an appreciation of the newspapers, will keep the money in town and will give you something in return for your money.

THE STAR is the best advertising medium in this section. Try it.

Reynoldsville Public Schools.

Table with columns: Room, Enrollment, Attendance, Percentage of Attendance. Rows include Room 14, N. B. Madden, Room 13, W. J. Weaver, etc.

Enrollment for first month of term of '96-7, 685; average attendance, 596.

Per cent of attendance for first month of term of '96-7, 94.

Cases of tardiness for first month, term of '96-7, 131; term of '97-8, 45.

The above comparisons show a decrease in the enrollment, but a decided improvement in the attendance and tardiness.

Friday Evening's Program.

The following program will be given in the Reynoldsville opera house, Friday evening, Oct. 15th, under the auspices of the Presbyterian church. Prices of admission, reserved seats, 20c., general admission, 15c., children, 10c. Reserved seats may be secured at Stoke's drug store. Doors open at 7:00, performance begins at 8 o'clock.

- Overture—"A Hot Time".....Orchestra
Music—"The Old Home Down on the Farm".....Orchestra
Music—"Winnow's Soothing Syrup".....Orchestra
Drill—"The Nurse-maids".....Six little girls
Music—Selected.....Mandolin Club
Song—"Little Verna Bearick".....Little Verna Bearick
"Dolly's Mamma".....Orchestra
Music—"Bonnie Briar Bush".....Samba at the Cake Walk.....Orchestra
OPERA—"Grandmother's Garden".....Orchestra
Sixteen Sunflowers, young ladies
"Old Mrs. Carey".....Frances Kirk
"Goodman Tabor".....F. P. Alexander
Music—"The Old Home Down on the Farm".....Orchestra
Drill—Good Night.....The Babies
Music—Selected.....Mandolin Club
Tableau—"The Land of Nod".....Orchestra

Reynoldsville Team Defeated.

The Punxsutawney foot ball team defeated the home team at this place Friday afternoon. Two 30-minute halves were played. The score was 8-4. There were a number of "rosters" over from Punxsy. Line up:

- PUNXS'Y POSITIONS. REYN.
Winslow right end Mitchell
Murray right tackle Williams, R
Matze right guard Williams, W
Robinson centre Schultz
Effer left guard Burns, H
Torrence left tackle Foley
Nickson left end McDonald
Lorenzo quarter back Weakley
Hughes right half back Ayres
Marshall full back Copping
Smith left half back Phalen
Substitutes—Punxy, Hastings, Knarr; Reynoldsville, Burns, Shaffer, Reynolds.

Touchdowns—Hughes, Punxs'y, 2; Copping, Reynoldsville, 1.

Woman's Relief Corps Innovation.

Reynoldsville is an embryo city and if she follows the example of her fully developed sister cities, she only shows her enterprise. On Monday, October 25th, there will be a social in the Grand Army hall. For the small sum of ten cents you get a sandwich, a piece of cake and a cup of coffee, and will be waited on by a beautiful lady dressed—well how she will be dressed will be announced in THE STAR next week.

Bell can show you the finest line of \$8, \$9, and \$10 suits in the county. No chestnuts.

Snyder & Johns, fashionable tailors.

See Millirens new line of fall suits and overcoats.

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE PARTY.

Two Hundred People Enjoyed a Half Day at A. T. McClure's Home.

A. T. McClure, a member of the Reynoldsville Hardware Co. firm, who devotes his time largely to the hardware business, lives on a large and well cultivated farm near Hancock. Mr. McClure was convinced of two things last Friday, that a woman can keep a secret and that a man can be taken by surprise. A birthday surprise party is a rare thing now-a-days. There are many so-called birthday surprise parties, but somehow before the day arrives the to-be-surprised person is apprised of what is "in the wind." Mr. McClure was given a pure, unadulterated surprise party last Friday, which was attended by at least two hundred uncles, aunts, cousins and friends who had gathered in from Kane, Belleview, Brookville, Reynoldsville, DuBois, Falls Creek and the farming country for miles around. The weather man joined in with Mrs. McClure and her assistants in making the affair a grand success, for it was a delightful autumnal day for such an occasion.

It was Mr. McClure's better half who was the originator of the birthday surprise party. She looked after all the details with the exception of getting Mr. McClure to his home on the afternoon of the party, and this part of the trickery she handed over to William T. Cox. Mr. Cox felt unequal for the task, and he, in turn, handed it over to Lawyer George M. McDonald, who laid a scheme, which with a little of the prestige used in the law business, he carried out successfully and allured Mr. McClure to his home on the farm before he knew what was in store for him.

Mr. McClure has a good clay vein on his land for making brick and Lawyer McDonald pretended that some capitalists wanted to start a large brick yard and he was to look over McClure's land to see about getting an option on a certain amount of land for the purpose above stated. Mr. McClure easily stepped into the trap set for him, because there was nothing unreasonable or improbable on the face of such a scheme. When he got near his home and saw a large crowd outside basking in the sunshine he took a big tumble.

When the sun got well down towards the western horizon the guests gathered in a group on the lawn and had their pictures "took" by G. J. Corwin, the Reynoldsville photographer. After the picture taking refreshments were served to the crowd that had not lost their appetites by inhaling fresh air all the afternoon. After justice had been done to the good things provided the party broke up and homegoing was in order.

Mr. McClure was the recipient of many valuable presents, and good wishes for the future were too numerous to even think about, let alone mention. Notwithstanding the expectation Mr. McClure had aroused within him of selling land, he enjoyed the joke and will long remember his 39th birthday as an oasis in life's journey.

Agreement Among Coal Men.

REYNOLDSVILLE, Oct. 9, 1897.

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree that on Monday, October 11th, and thereafter to sell lump coal at 4 cents at the banks and 6 cents delivered in Reynoldsville and West Reynoldsville, 3 cents for run of mine and 5 cents delivered; slack 1, and 3 cents delivered. This also applies to Rathmel and Big Soldier: D. E. Solada, John J. Davis, G. M. Henry, Joseph Sanders, E. L. Moore, G. M. Lucas, John Goodwill, John Hawlett, R. T. Smith, F. R. Best, Ed. Mulholland, J. A. Huntington.

A Checkweighman's Association.

The employees of the Jefferson and Clearfield Coal and Iron company at DuBois held a meeting on Sunday afternoon and perfected the organization of a Checkweighman's Association. The sum of 1/4 cent per ton will be set aside for a checkweighman's fund. Out of this sum the checkweighman's wages will be paid and an agent will be appointed to take care of the funds of the association. The other mines of the district will adopt the same method. —DuBois Express.

John A. Henry, of Reynoldsville, was driving across Mahoning street in a wagon Monday afternoon, and just as he had crossed the street railway track, a car struck the rear end of the wagon, knocking Mr. Henry from his seat. The back of his head struck the track cutting quite a gash, and rendering him unconscious for a time. He was carried into Hotel Whitney, where he soon revived and drove off again.—Punxsutawney Spirit.

All persons knowing themselves to be indebted to me will please call at my residence on or before December 1st, 1897, and settle for the same. At the expiration of this time all accounts unsettled will be left for collection.

DR. J. B. NEALE.

We have the best line of men's boots in town. We buy for cash and give our customers the benefit, Robinson's.

Go to Hamblet & Swartz for \$16.00, \$18.00 and \$20.00 suits. They can't be beat.

Have you seen the large piece of jolly roll for ten cents at the Bon Ton. Robinson's shoes saves you \$ 2. 2. 2.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Glimpses of the People who are Passing To and Fro.

L. M. Snyder and wife spent Sunday in Summerville.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Johns spent Sunday in Brookville.

Miss Blanche Davis is visiting in Summerville this week.

John T. Barkley and Jarvis Williams were at Shawmut Sunday.

S. T. Dougherty, of Pittsburg, was in Reynoldsville over Sunday.

Mayor H. Alex Stoke and family drove to Pittsburg last week.

Mrs. Wm. Barkley, of Shawmut, visited in Reynoldsville this week.

Miss Cora McCall, of Falls Creek, visited at Benjamin Haugh's last week.

Miss Flo Best, the milliner, is in Pittsburg attending the openings this week.

Joshua Harris, of Euclid, Butler county, visited in this place the past week.

Miss Lucile Mitchell returned last week from a visit at Kane and Driftwood.

Ex-Sheriff W. B. Sutter and wife, of Lindsey, were in Reynoldsville over Sunday.

C. M. Snyder, of Brookville, visited his brother, L. M. Snyder, in this place last week.

Mrs. J. S. Bartle left here yesterday to visit in Pittsburg and Wheeling, West Va.

Rev. John M. Dean, pastor of the Baptist church, was in Appollo, Pa., this week.

Lawyer G. M. McDonald was in Pittsburg this week looking after a case in supreme court.

Mrs. J. C. Hyde, of Rochester, N. Y., was the guest of Mrs. George Mellinger Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. M. B. Mara, of West Newton, is visiting her sister, Mrs. G. W. Stoke, sr., on Fifth street.

Mrs. Dr. Nichols, of Bradford, and Mrs. J. B. Nichols, of Elenora, were guests of Mrs. J. B. Neale last Friday.

M. C. Kelley, of West Reynoldsville, was in Lock Haven last week attending the funeral of his father, Daniel Kelley.

Mrs. M. B. George, of Clarion, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Williams, in West Reynoldsville last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ross, of near Summerville, visited Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Haugh, near Prescottville, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hoffman, of Justice, Ohio, are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Waite, near this place.

Mrs. W. J. Frank, who has been visiting in West Reynoldsville several months, returned to her home in Pittsburg yesterday.

A. B. Weed, train dispatcher on A. V. R'y, and wife spent Sunday at Oakmont, Pa., and took in the Pittsburg Exposition this week.

Mrs. D. C. Whitehill, of Brookville, was a visitor in Reynoldsville Monday. She had been visiting Mrs. A. T. McClure at Hancock a few days.

Clarence H. Patterson has sold his interest in the Commercial Hotel, Brookville, to J. M. Chesnut. Mr. Patterson is talking of moving to Reynoldsville.

Mr. and Mrs. William Mabon, of Marion Center, Indiana Co., Pa., visited in Reynoldsville the past week. Mr. Mabon is a wealthy farmer of Indiana county.

John H. Bell, superintendent of the J. & C. C. & I. Co. at this place, and wife and daughters, Miss Mary Bell and Mrs. H. B. Davis were in Buffalo, N. Y., last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brown, of Quinnimont, West Va., were at Rathmel last week attending the Gross-Brown wedding. Mr. Brown is a coal operator, a member of the Laurel Creek Coal Company.

Rev. W. F. Reber, pastor of the Presbyterian church, was at Pittsburg last week and stopped off at Leatherwood Friday evening and preached in the new Presbyterian church at that place, which was dedicated last Sunday.

P. F. Bolger, the merchant tailor who has resided in Reynoldsville twenty-three years, moved to Johnsonburg last week, where he will open a tailor shop. Mr. Bolger and family have warm friends here who were sorry to see him move out of the town. Mr. Bolger's family did not go to Johnsonburg until Monday.

County Commissioners W. C. Murray, Samuel States and John H. Hinderliter, and their "better-halves," were at Gettysburg last week attending the State Convention of County Commissioners. If there were any suggestions made at the convention that would be a benefit to the commissioners in their work, the Jefferson county commissioners would profit by it.

George Mellinger, of this place, who is superintendent of the Shawmut mines, joined in the pilgrimage of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine to Oil City last week. The meeting was the largest ever held by the Zem Zem Temple of Erie, under whose auspices the services were conducted. Four hundred members of the order were present. Sixty-five new members were initiated.