

SAY!

Colder weather is here, Fall and Winter Garments are needed. Here's the place to get them. The fact that our goods wear twice as long as those sold by other dealers is in itself conclusive evidence of the matchless inducements we offer.

See the Men's Suits we sell at \$5.00 Strictly all wool and cut in the very latest Fall styles. We couldn't sell them for less than \$8.00 if we had bought them as other houses bought theirs. But we didn't. We bought ours when woollens were away down in price. To-day the manufacturers ask more at wholesale for these goods than we sell them at retail.



Then we have some better ones at \$6.00, 7.00 and \$8.00. These suits are made of stylish, all-wool Cassimeres, Cheviots and Meltons, cut in popular sack styles, lined, trimmed and finished in a splendid manner. Each suit perfect fitting, each button hole done with care.

See our big line of Men's Working and Dress Gloves. Also our big line of Men's Heavy and Dress Shirts. Also over 3,000 pairs of Boys' Knee Pants, Iron-clad and All-wool.

Overcoats

That Excel in Style and Quality. That's the kind we have, the kind we built our reputation on. We have them from

\$3.50 to \$15.00

They are made of medium and heavy-weight Meltons, Cheviots, Kerseys, Cassimeres, Mixtures, Etc., all well trimmed and made throughout; in fact, any other store in this town will ask you from \$2.00 to \$4.00 more for these same overcoats than we sell them at.

PRESERVE YOUR HEALTH

Protect yourself against sudden changes in the weather, so common this time of the year, by wearing the proper weight Underwear. We have it. Over 300 cases, all bought by us direct from the manufacturers before the recent rise in prices. These all go on sale this week at prices lower than present wholesale figures.

25c for men's serviceable natural wool Underwear, value 50c. 50c for men's extra fine pure camel's hair or natural wool Underwear, value 75c.

\$1.00 for men's fancy, heavy-weight Underwear, nice and soft as velvet, 6 different colors, pearl button finish, value \$1.50.

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In making a selection of Goods for

Fall and Winter Wear



It is important that the choice should be made from a thoroughly up-to-date and well assorted stock. Then there is no possibility of getting goods of doubtful style. Our offerings of

DRESS GOODS, LADIES' JACKETS AND CAPES

Can be accepted as being absolutely correct, care having been taken to secure exclusive, but popular styles. In every department the articles presented will be found of a quality to command approval. Prices are wonderfully small for such value. Such goods as we have will serve better purpose elsewhere than on our shelves, and we sacrifice profits to make quick sales.

N. HANAU.

Our Educational Column.

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

SO TIME TO LOSE.

"No time to lose," say the tiny buds, As they catch the spring-tide's beam; We must open our calyxes green and gold, Ere our wonderful bloom is seen.
"No time to lose," say the blithesome birds, As they fly with straw and hay; Not even time for our sweetest song, Till the daylight turns to gray.
"No time to lose," say the busy bees, In these golden sunny hours, We must sip the dew so pure and sweet From the cups of a thousand flowers.
"No time to lose," say the working ants, We're always busy, you know, We gather our store in the summer days Ere the winter brings the snow.
"No time to lose," say studious girls, "While our school days glide away, We'll fill our minds with every good, Nor our moments waste in play."
Then we learn from buds and flowers, From insects—the ants and bees, Lessons of industry, patience, trust, Nature is teaching us these.
—Annie R. Stephens.

Boys and girls, the mid-term examination will confront you in a few weeks. Are you ready for it and prepared to meet it? Do you carefully read and ponder over the advice your "Uncle William" gives you from week to week? If you do you will be ready for any and all examinations that may come. Be ever up and doing, reaching out for further enlightenment and following the pleasant paths of wisdom. Your school rooms are nicely decorated with potted plants. Did you ever observe how these plants tend to grow toward the sunlight? No matter how you may place them, they seek the light. So should it be with you, my dear nephews and nieces. The talents the All-wise Creator has planted in your being must be carefully cultivated and nurtured, or they will either wither and die or grow up feeble and sickly. They must be taken out of the darkness of ignorance and placed in the God-given sunlight of knowledge, where they will be well watered by the copious showers from the fountain of Wisdom. Then will Reason, Judgment, Sensibility, Will and the other faculties flourish, grow up hardy and strong and bloom radiantly in the great garden of learning, emitting a delicious perfume to the world around. Get out of the darkness, boys and girls, and stand forth in the glorious sunlight. Live to gain knowledge; let not a day pass without having added something to your store. Knowledge is likened to a lamp in many ways; you may light a thousand lamps from one and the light of the first is not diminished. A lamp also sheds its radiance all around so that everybody can enjoy it. So is it with you. You may scatter your knowledge around and impart it to hundreds of others, and it will not decrease your store, but on the contrary you are benefited; your faculties are brighter, besides being cognizant of the fact that you are doing good to your fellow creatures, gaining friends and shedding a halo around you that will cling to you through life. An elegant lecture course has been provided for you this season. Watch closely these eminent men as they appear upon the platform from time to time and observe the ease and grace with which they handle their several topics; then stop and think for a moment how many weeks, months and years of hard toil and study it has taken to prepare and fit them to occupy the positions they do. How easily they diffuse their store of knowledge to those around them, and how with their words of wisdom, humor and pathos they hold their audiences spell-bound and entranced from start to finish. Could you but know their history you would find toiling, struggling against numerous obstacles, hard study and plenty of hard work in each of them; many a sleepless night and aching brain before the goal was attained. Many of you, my boys and girls, can fit yourselves for such positions as these men hold as well as for others just as important in our great nation. You each have a mission to perform; you may not know what it is at present, but the knowledge will come later. Then let it be your duty to prepare yourself for it, whatever it may be. It will require much earnest, patient work, but you have the faculties within you to do it and the power within yourself to use them. Then do so and God will bless your efforts and make you shining lights in the spacious firmament of knowledge.

To the Taxpayers of Jefferson county. BROOKVILLE, PA., Oct. 19, 1897. In as much as Mr. Aulenbach, chairman of the republican county committee, has issued a circular letter to the voters of this county, asking them to vote for N. L. Strong, Esq., for District Attorney of Jefferson county, and claiming that Mr. Strong is entitled to the vote of the people for the reason that "By fidelity to the people he has saved the tax-payer thousands of dollars." And in as much as Mr. Aulenbach gives neither facts nor figures to support the statement he makes, I de-

sire to make a statement herewith of the costs and expenses of the criminal courts of Jefferson county, not only for the time that Mr. Strong has been District Attorney, but for the time that the office was filled by his predecessor, W. L. McCracken, Esq., who is now a candidate for that office in opposition to Mr. Strong.

In making this statement, I do not mean to reflect upon Mr. Strong, nor to impute to him any dishonest motives in the conduct of the office he now holds, and to which he seeks a re-election, but I do so in order that the people may be able to compare the record of Mr. Strong with the record of Mr. McCracken, and judge the two candidates accordingly.

Mr. McCracken was District Attorney of Jefferson county for the years 1892, 1893 and 1894. Mr. Strong has filled the office during the years 1895, 1896 and thus far in 1897. Mr. Strong's fees as district Attorney, as well as the other costs and expenses of our criminal courts for the year 1897, can only be approximated, for the reason that the same have not been passed upon by the County Auditors.

The following statement I take from the "Financial Statement" and other records now on file in the Commissioner's office of Jefferson county that have been officially passed upon, and which records are open to the public, and which you are invited to examine for yourself.

During Mr. McCracken's term of office he received in fees from Jefferson county amounting to the sum of \$2,440.00 as follows:

For the year 1892	\$95.00
For the year 1893	2,345.00
For the year 1894	90.00
Or for the first two years of his term the sum of	\$2,440.00

While for the first two years of Mr. Strong's term he received in fees the sum of \$1,661.00 as follows:

For the year 1895	\$850.00
For the year 1896	811.00
Or one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) more than the amount paid Mr. McCracken for a corresponding period of time.	

Thus far for 1897 the county has paid Mr. Strong fees amounting to the sum of \$475.00, with the remainder of the year yet to be added. Should Mr. Strong receive the same amount of fees for December Sessions 1897, that he received for December Sessions, 1895, which amount was \$329.00, as shown by County order No. 1282, he will then have received in fees for his full term of three years the sum of \$2,455.00, or \$16.00 more than the full amount paid Mr. McCracken.

During Mr. McCracken's term of office the county paid in costs to prosecute criminal cases the sum of \$16,966.83, as follows:

For the year 1892	\$1,745.15
For the year 1893	5,072.15
For the year 1894	6,234.30
Or for the first two years of that time the sum of	\$13,051.60

While for the first two years of Mr. Strong's term the county paid in costs for the prosecution of criminal cases the sum of \$13,886.04 as follows:

For the year 1895	\$5,943.63
For the year 1896	7,942.41
Or the sum of \$13,886.04 more than the amount paid for a corresponding period of time during Mr. McCracken's term.	

Thus it will be seen that during last year (1896) the county paid almost eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) for prosecuting its criminal cases, notwithstanding, as Mr. Aulenbach states in his letter, "It is an open and notorious fact that criminal court has been reduced one-half since Mr. Strong's election." It is true that during the year 1896 the people of the county were more peaceable than they were during the labor troubles and strikes that occurred during Mr. McCracken's term of office, and the criminal business of our courts correspondingly less. But, it is also true, that it costs the tax-payers of the county almost two thousand dollars more money, under Mr. Strong's management of the District Attorney's office, to prosecute the county's criminal business than it cost for any one year during Mr. McCracken's term, when, as Mr. Aulenbach says, the criminal court was double what it was in 1896.

During Mr. McCracken's term of office there was collected from defendants and prosecutors in criminal cases tried by him, and paid into the county treasury, the sum of \$6,066.64:

In 1892	\$1,888.88
In 1893	1,761.88
In 1894	2,415.88
Or for the first two years of that time the sum of	\$6,066.64

While for the first two years of Mr. Strong's term there was collected from the same source the sum of \$3,467.26, of which only \$1,162.89 was collected during the year 1896.

During Mr. McCracken's term he convicted forty-four criminals who were sentenced to imprisonment in the Work-house or Penitentiary and seventy-seven others were convicted and were either sentenced to imprisonment in the county jail or to pay a fine and costs.

While during Mr. Strong's term but twenty-eight defendants, including those convicted thus far in 1897, have been sent to the State prison, and but forty-eight persons have thus far been convicted and sentenced to pay a fine or costs, or committed to the county jail.

I ASK YOU to vote for Mr. McCracken, believing, as I do, that he is worthy of the position for which he is a candidate, and that his record in the past is a good guaranty and that if he is elected District Attorney, our Criminal Courts will be conducted in a way that will be entirely satisfactory to the tax-payers of the county.

Yours respectfully,
SAMUEL STATES.

SHOES

ALL KINDS, TO FIT EVERYBODY AT

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